GENERAL POLICE ORDER CLEVELAND DIVISION OF POLICE

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SUBJECT:				
THE NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE TITLE INFORMATION SYSTEM				
(N.M.V.T.I.S.) HOLD NOTICES				
ASSOCIATED MANUAL:		RELATED ORDERS:		
CHIEF OF POLICE:				
Trioleau Green, Acting Chief				

PURPOSE: To set guidelines for utilizing the NMVTIS Hold Notices.

POLICY: The Cleveland Division of Police shall cooperate with and utilize N.M.V.T.I.S.

PROCEDURES:

- I. When an NMVTIS Hold Notice comes to the attention of an officer they shall:
 - A. Obtain a computer check of the V.I.N.
 - B. If LEADS or NCIC shows the vehicle in question as stolen, contact the originating agency and if necessary have the Message Center send a Teletype for hit confirmation.
 - C. If the hit confirms the vehicle as a stolen vehicle, the vehicle shall be impounded, the person(s) with the vehicle identified, and a supervisor notified of what other action is warranted at the time (arrest, named suspect).
 - D. If the confirmed hit shows the vehicle is NOT stolen, the officer shall have the agency originating the report; remove the vehicle from LEADS and/or NCIC. Once that is completed the NMVTIS Hold will be removed.
 - E. If the officer's investigation reveals that the vehicle has been recovered minus the special parts (engine, transmission, VIN plate) the officer shall contact Ohio BMV Title Section at 614-752-7671. The BMV can override the theft entry and the Hold will be temporarily removed so that the person can obtain a title.

- F. If the identity of the vehicle is in question, the officer shall have the vehicle towed to Lot Two for VIN processing and for Auto Theft Unit follow up.
- II. The Report/Message Center shall:
 - A. Assist the investigating officer with verification of local thefts and Teletypes sent to outside agencies for hit confirmation.
 - B. Assist with the recovery or removal of property from LEADS and/or NCIC.
 - C. The Report Center shall not enter stolen vehicle parts into LEADS and NCIC (EXCEPT FOR ENGINES, TRANSMISSIONS, VIN PLATES) in order to prevent any false NMVTIS Hold notices.
 - D. The stolen vehicle parts however shall remain in the RMS system until recovered.
- **III.** The Auto Theft Unit shall:
 - A. Assist officers with questions arising from a NMVTIS Hold.
 - B. Process vehicles for VIN numbers if the identity of the vehicle is in question.
 - C. Assist with policy and/or procedure regarding NMVTIS.

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