PURPOSE: To provide guidelines for members of the Cleveland Division of Police for incidents of Menacing by Stalking, Ohio Revised Code 2903.21.1.

POLICY: The Division shall enforce the Menacing by Stalking statute.

PROCEDURES:

I. Field operations:

   A. Officers shall sign, date and issue an “Information Sheet to Victims of Domestic Violence, Menacing by Stalking, & Aggravated Trespass,” form C of C 71-2195, to victims of Menacing by Stalking.

   B. The victim must complete a Misdemeanor Complaint Statement, form C of C 71-2141, for an officer to make a warrantless Menacing by Stalking arrest.

   C. Officers shall provide the district detective bureau's phone number and advise the victim that a detective shall assist them in case prosecution.

II. Computerized Criminal History (CCH) check:

   The arresting officer shall obtain a CCH check for the arrested person prior to booking. The name and badge number of the member who obtains the CCH check shall be included in the Records Management System report.