

# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY POLICIES & PROCEDURES



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# SUBJECT: VEHICLE STICKERS/DECALS

# 1.0 PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy to establish guidelines for the display of sticker/decals on vehicles assigned to the Department of Public Safety.

#### 2.0 POLICY

It is the policy of the Department of Public Safety that only certain stickers/decals will be permitted display on marked or unmarked vehicles.

#### 3.0 APPLICABILITY

This policy applies to all commissioned officers of the Department of Public Safety.

#### 4.0 REFERENCES

#### NONE

#### 5.0 DEFINITIONS

- **A. Port Windows of Rear Doors** The small rear window of the rear door, on either the driver's or passenger's side or both.
- **B. Vehicle** All vehicles assigned to the Department of Public Safety.

### 6.0 PROCEDURE

- A. Only the following stickers/decals will be allowed;
  - 1. Official New Mexico State Police markings assigned to identify vehicles as State Police vehicles.
  - 2. Any warning sticker/decal required by the State of New Mexico or any federal regulatory agency having authority to require placement of decals, stickers or markings of vehicles.
  - **3.** Any manufacturer's equipment operation direction affixed to the vehicle at the time of delivery.
  - **4.** Any vehicle identification/informational decal or sticker relating to the VIN or the emission control equipment.
  - 5. Any traffic safety or crime prevention decal/sticker provided through or by the order of the Chief of the NMSP. This includes the "DARE" sticker, which should be placed only on the port window(s) of the rear doors, driver's side, passenger's side or both.
  - **6.** Any vehicle preventive maintenance reminder sticker furnished by a vehicle service facility that has performed preventive maintenance on the vehicle.

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**7.** Other decals/stickers required for designated parking and/or for admittance to restricted areas will be displayed as required. However, any such decal/sticker will be removed when it is no longer needed.

# **B.** Restrictions

No other decal or sticker will be permitted display on any vehicle. No authorized decal/sticker shall be placed on a vehicle in such a manner that it will interfere with the normal operation of the vehicle, or impair the driver's vision.

#### 7.0 ATTACHMENTS

NONE

#### 8.0 APPROVAL

APPROVED BY: s/ Richard Cede Baca DATE: December 22, 1994

DPS Cabinet Secretary