



# ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE GENERAL ORDER HIGH VISIBILITY CLOTHING



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**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this General Order is to establish guidelines for the use of reflective clothing.

**I. POLICY:**

It is the responsibility of the Orange County Sheriff's Office to ensure that its members are able to perform traffic assignments in a safe manner.

**II. PROCEDURE:**

A. Deputies assigned to regularly prolonged scheduled traffic control assignments during the hours of darkness are required to wear a reflective vest.

1. During other times of traffic control, such as traffic light malfunction or motor vehicle accidents, the reflective vest will not be required unless the assignment will be for a prolonged period of time or the Deputy's safety becomes a factor (i.e. after dark, inclement weather).
2. Deputies are encouraged to wear their reflective vests any time that they are directing traffic.

B. Reflective vests shall be stored in the trunk of each patrol vehicle.

**REFERENCE:**

**ACCREDITATION STANDARD 47.3**