## VV PERSONAL APPEARANCE AND GROOMING STANDARDS

- 1. Officers on duty shall wear uniforms or other clothing in accordance with established Departmental procedures.
- 2. Except when acting under proper and specific orders from a superior officer, officers on duty shall maintain a neat, well-groomed appearance and shall style their hair according to the following guidelines:
  - a. Male Officers:
    - (1) Hair must be clean, neat and combed. Hair shall not be worn longer than the top of the shirt collar at the back of the neck when standing with the head in a normal posture. Hair shall not be worn in such a manner as to interfere with the normal wearing of all standard headgear.
    - (2) Sideburns shall be neatly trimmed and rectangular in shape.
    - (3) Officers shall be clean- except they may have mustaches, which do not extend below the corners of the mouth.
  - b. Female Officers:
    - (1) Hair must be clean, neat and combed. The bulk or length of the hair shall not interfere with the normal wearing of all standard headgear.
- 3. The wearing of jewelry on duty can create safety concerns. Items such as bracelets, necklaces, rings, etc., should be worn with safety considerations foremost in mind. Male officers are not permitted to wear any earring whatsoever. Female officers may wear earrings; however, they will be the non-pierced type or pierced stud style. At no time will female officers wear earrings that extend beyond or hang from the ear lobe.
- 4. Officers on duty shall have no visible body piercing on any body part (excluding ears in paragraph 3) to include facial and tongue piercing.
- 5. Officers on duty shall have no visible tattoos to include the lower arms when wearing summer uniform shirts.

No officer shall have gang, satanic, or disrespectful tattooing on any body part.

6. Officers on duty shall have no unnatural hair color or style that would bring disrespect to the Department.