

Use of Motor Vehicles by ACLO's Policy Statement



NSW Police Force

In formulating policy for the use of motor vehicles, the unique role of Aboriginal Community Liaison Officers (ACLO's) is recognised.

It is noted that ACLO's duties includes but not restricted to:

- Implementation of initiatives associated with achievement of identified priorities within the Aboriginal Strategic Direction 2018 - 2023 (ASD).
- Delivering messages to members of the Aboriginal community concerning – persons arrested, bail required, parent/guardian required for juvenile interview, person injured and/or hospitalised or to contact members of Aboriginal Support Groups.
- Attend and assist Police in the resolution of domestic or neighbor disputes.
- Arranging Aboriginal community meetings on behalf of the PD/PACS Commander or other Police.
- Liaising with local government officers and business or community leaders and representatives in regard to Aboriginal Issues or Initiatives.
- Attending Interagency or Aboriginal community meetings.
- Assisting with local youth programs as they relate to ACLO duties.
- Assisting Police In the resolution of on the scene local conflicts.
- Travelling to neighboring PD/PACS to provide a similar service where negotiated or requested.

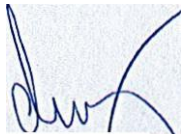
Our commitment is to ensure that the NSW Police Force:

- Provide ACLO's with the resources that they need to undertake their duties Including the availability of a suitable class of unmarked motor vehicle.
- Confirm that ACLO's operating police vehicles hold a minimum bronze certification to do so.
- Enable ACLO's to respond to calls from the Aboriginal community, operational Police and also provide effective support to PD/PAC Commanders as required.
- Make certain that the management of the ACLO vehicle Is consistent with the NSW Police Force Safe Driving Policy and the use of specialist vehicles (see page 23 'Use of Highway Patrol vehicles).

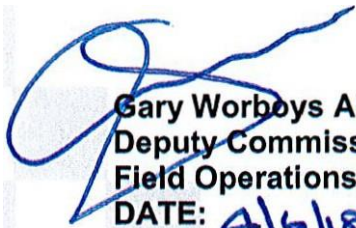
The following principles underpin this policy statement:

- Recognition that the duties of the ACLO are unique and that a motor vehicle will be required for a considerable portion of the ACLO's daily duties.
- The vehicle provided for the use of the ACLO's whilst not exclusively for the use of the ACLO's should only be used by other staff as a last resort and **subsequent to the approval of the Commander.**
- ACLO's are not permitted to drive marked Police vehicles except in extreme emergencies.
- ACLO's are not to operate a taxi or bus service for the Aboriginal community but that a vehicle allocated for use by ACLO's is used in accordance with their duties and in the interests of the NSW Police Force.
- In an emergency and in the absence of the ACLO vehicle the use of a private vehicle may be authorised subsequent to the approval of the Region or PD/PAC Commander as per existing instructions relating to use of private vehicles on duty.

- Except in extreme circumstances vehicles commonly used by ACLO's should not be used for operational duties such as:
 - Surveillance of Aboriginal communities or community members
 - Random Breath Testing
 - Traffic duties
 - Arrests or activities which may reasonably be considered could lead to an arrest
 - Other duties that obviously conflict with the role of the ACLO or are likely to adversely affect the relationship between the ACLO and the Aboriginal community



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