



Roll Call Training Bulletin

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Amendments to Assembly Bill 953: Racial and Identity Profiling Act (RIPA)

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INTRODUCTION

[Assembly Bill 953](#) was signed into law in 2015 and requires California law enforcement agencies to collect and report data to the California Department of Justice in accordance with [California Government Code § 12525.5](#). [General Order 210.09](#) establishes procedures for the collection of data and requires officers to complete an entry for each individual detained or searched during a call for service or self-initiated activity.

The RIPA regulations have been amended and will take effect on January 1, 2024.

Click [here](#) for a PowerPoint with step-by-step visuals and instructions.

SIGNIFIGANT AMENDMENTS BY SECTION

1. Switchboard:

- You will be routed to a switchboard upon opening the RIPA application.
- Select '2023' for detentions or searches conducted between January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023
- Select '2024' for detentions or searches conducted on and after January 1, 2024.

2. Officer Profile:

- If you are a lateral officer, input your prior years of law enforcement experience in the 'Prior Years Experience' box. Your sworn date is automatically calculated.
- **Effective January 1, 2024, DOJ mandates all officers to self-report their gender and ethnicity on their RIPA reports. This data is not currently subject to public release.**
- Upon logging into RIPA 2024 for the first time, you will be prompted to select your 'Ethnicity' and 'Gender'. Select all applicable data values, which are set forth in Title 11 § 999.226 (a)(5)(A) and (a)(6)(A).
- This information saves to your user profile and can be updated at any time. Your ethnicity and gender will prefill for all RIPAs after you make your selections.

3. Smartfill:

- Never enter any personal identifying information in the '**Sticky Note**' section (e.g., name, driver license number, x-ref, DOB, social security number)

4. Initial Stop:

- '**Location**' will automatically geocode as a coordinate if you start with a valid CAD call number. If you're completing a manual entry, click the geocode button next to the '**Lat/Long Coordinates**' box after you enter the stop location.
- Never enter a stopped person's address or apartment/building/suite/unit numbers.

5. Reason:

- Select the '**Call for Service**' box if the detention or search originated from a call for service.
- Select the '**Call for Welfare Check**' box if the detention or search was performed during a welfare/wellness check or part of a community caretaking function. The facts that formed the basis for conducting the welfare/wellness check or the community caretaking function shall be documented in the '**Stop Narrative**' section.



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- Select the **'Assisted Non-Reporting Agency'** box if the detention or search occurred while you assisted another agency that does not complete RIPAs (e.g., FBI, ATF).
 - Select whether the detention or search resulted from a vehicular, bicycle, or pedestrian stop in the **'Stop Type'** section. Any other stop constitutes a pedestrian stop, including passengers on a bus or train.
 - As a result of AB 2773, officers are now required to document the reason(s) given to the stopped person in the **'Reason Given to Citizen'** section:
 - If the primary reason for the stop differs from the reason(s) communicated to the stopped person, officers shall document in detail why in the **'Stop Narrative'** section.
 - If officers did not communicate any reason(s) for the stop to the stopped person, officers shall document the facts and circumstances in detail that gave rise to a reasonable belief that withholding the reason for the stop was necessary to protect life or property from imminent threat in the **'Stop Narrative'** section.
6. **Perceived:**
- Select **'LGB+'** or **'Straight/Heterosexual'** based on your perception of the stopped person in the **'Sexual Orientation'** box.
 - Select the **'Unhoused'** box if you perceive the stopped person to be unhoused.
 - Select the **'Passenger'** box if the stopped person was a passenger in a vehicle.
 - Select the **'In Residence'** box only if the stopped person was inside a residence
 - where a search/arrest warrant naming or identifying another person was conducted
 - where a search was conducted pursuant to another person's parole/probation/PRCS/mandatory supervision status
 - where a compliance check was conducted on another person who is under home detention/house arrest
7. **Action Taken:**
- If you used force, select the applicable boxes under **'Force Action(s) Taken'**
 - If no force was used, select the applicable boxes under **'Action(s) Taken'**
8. **Results:** No significant changes
9. **Agency:**
- If you indicated that force was used in the **'Action Taken'** section, select the applicable UOF level in **'MAX UOF Level'** box. It will not prefill. Click the question mark icon for UOF level descriptions.
 - Select the **'Perception was Formed Prior to Detention'** box if you were already familiar with the stopped person prior to the detention or search (ex: known target).
10. **Summary:** No significant changes

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The full list of amendments can be found here: <https://oag.ca.gov/system/files/media/ripa-final-text-of-proposed-regulations.pdf>

The amendments also affect [California Assembly Bill 2773](#).