RICHMOND COUNTY SHEP IFF'S OFFICE



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DEPUTY: Cpl. Eard Trimm	Cpl. Eard Trimmingham		B922
DATE OF VIOLATION:	09/04/18		
VIOLATION OF S.O.P. #:	Unsatisfactory Peri	formance 4.26	

On 090418 @ 0129 hours, Cpl. Trimmingham was the supervisor for Zone 1 when Deputy Zachary Cuonzo (Zone 1) became involved in a vehicle pursuit at Fourth Street and Laney Walker Blvd. The vehicle was a Dodge Avenger and was just previously involved in a vehicle pursuit with unit H21 (Justice) earlier in the night but got away. Deputy Cuonzo advised he was behind the vehicle and stated he was waiting on other units before initiating the stop. During this radio traffic, Cpl. Trimmingham can be heard on the radio advising he was heading to him as well. At this point Cpl. Trimmingham is the supervisor in charge. Once the chase began, Cpl. Trimmingham asks Cuonzo where he was and Dep. Cuonzo advised going over the river into South Carolina. Cpl. Trimmingham responded "10-4" and said nothing else. Cpl. Trimmingham made no other comments to learn why they were pursuing the vehicle and made no comment to break off the pursuit as they entered into South Carolina. Moments later Cpl. Trimmingham arrived into Carolina finding the accident involving Deputy Stallings who was attempting to catch up to the chase. With the knowledge at hand this chase should have not crossed the state line and should have been terminated in keeping with what has been the policy of the RCSO not to pursue vehicles into South Carolina solely for traffic violations. As a result of the failure of Cpl. Trimmingham to terminate the pursuit the outcome of this incident met with near tragic consequences with Dep. Stallings sustaining serious injuries and the loss of a patrol vehicle. As the supervisor in charge you must engage situations in order to head off any negligent forth comings. Cpl. Trimmingham has been advised that any other violations of this nature may result in more severe disciplinary actions being taken against him.

DISCIPLINARY ACTION INITIATED BY:	Lt. Robert Silas A964/A1				
DATE: _090518					
PROPOSED ACTION: 8 hours SWOP					
REVIEWED BY: (1F APPLICABLE)					
CORPORAL:	DATE:	_			
SERGEANT:	DATE:	Agree Disagree			
LIEUTENANT:	DATE:	Agree Disagree			
CAPTAIN:	DATE: 9/14/2018	Agree Disagree			
MAJOR:	DATE: 14 Sept 18	🛮 Agree 🗌 Disagree			
COLONEL: Frank Hostary	DATE: 9/20/18	Agree Disagree			
CHIEF DEPUTY: The Water	DATE: 9/21/18	Agree Disagree			
SHERIFF:	DATE: 10 dz 18	Agree Disagree			
SHERIFF'S OR DESIGNEE RECOMMENDATION:					
Final Disp. OB					
EMPLOYEE'S SIGNATURE:					
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DEPUTY:	TRIMMING	HAM, Eard	C-11	_ EMPLO	DYEE ID:	14510
DATE OF VIOLAT	ION:	February 2:	5, 2018	_		
VIOLATION OF S.	.O.P. #:	Unsatisfa	ctory Perform	ance 4.26		
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DISCIPLINARY ACTION INITIATED BY: Lt. C. A. Mitchell III B001/A-1						
DATE: Fe	ebruary 28, 201	18				0
PROPOSED ACTIO	ON:	Written Cour	nseling			
REVIEWED BY: (I	F APPLICAI	BLE)				Recommendation
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COLONEL:		D.	ATE:	Agree [Disagree	
CHIEF DEPUTY:		D.	ATE:	Agree [Disagree	
SHERIFF:		D.	ATE:	Agree [Disagree _	
FINAL DISPOSITION:						
EMPLOYEE'S SIGNATURE:						

RICHMOND COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE DISCIPLINARY REPORT

NAME OF EMPLOYEE: Dep. Eard Trimmingham DATE: 062911

DIVISION: Road Patrol B North RANK: Pvt.

IMMEDIATE SUPERVISON: Lt. Mark Lovering

VIOLATION TITLE AND CODE: Duty to Care for County Property 4.14

DISCRIPTION OF VIOLATION (TO INCLUDE, DATE, TIME, LOCATION, WITNESSES, FACTS)

On Friday, June 24th, Dep. Eard Trimmingham was patrolling his beat when he observed a subject lying on the ground in the area behind the Tip Top Convenience Store, 2747 Wrightsboro Rd. Dep. Trimmingham attempted to approach the subject by driving his vehicle over a curb at this location which caused the bottom of his vehicle, Car 210, to strike the curb. He states that it didn't appear to be a very hard strike and he didn't think there was any damage to the vehicle. On Saturday, June 25th, he called me and stated that he was at Highland Ave and Wrightsboro Rd. and his vehicle, Car 210, had suddenly stopped while he was driving and would not start. I went to his location and tried to jump the car off but it wouldn't start. The vehicle was towed to the shop. On Tuesday, June 28th I received a call from Benji at the shop. He advised me that they sent Car 210 to the dealership and they advised that the oil pan had been pushed up causing the oil pump to stop working. This subsequently caused the engine to seize up. According to Benji, the engine will have to be replaced. Dep. Trimmingham is being charged with Duty to Care for County Property.

Lt. Mark Lovering

PREVIOUS VIOLATIONS, TITLE, CODE AND DATE: None

DISCIPLINARY ACTION:	x SENT TO DISCIPLINARY REVIEW BOARD 072011
	DISMISSAL
	SUSPENDED FOR DAY(S)
	X written warning/counseling (attach copy) $[0702]$
	ORAL REPREMAND

NAME AND RANK OF SUPERVISOR IMPOSING DISCIPLINARY ACTION

(SUPERVISOR'S SIGNATURE)

(EMPLOYER'S SIGNATURE)

DISTRIBUTION: SHERIFF

INTERNAL ARRAIRS
IMMEDIATE SUPERVISOR

EMPLOYEE S FILE