



MILLERSVILLE, MARYLAND

**WRITTEN DIRECTIVE**

**MEMORANDUM:** 09-051

**FILE BEHIND:** Index Code 2180

**TO:** All Personnel

**FROM:** Major Thomas Wilson *TW*  
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**EFFECTIVE DATE:** January 1, 2010

**SUBJECT:** **Collection of Domestic Related Incident (DRI) Data**

**BACKGROUND**

The Governor's Office of Crime Control & Prevention (GOCCP) has developed Maryland policy for the collection of domestic related incident (DMI) data at booking. This effort will help secure future State and federal grant funding for the fight against domestic violence and generate policy reform in an effort to prevent domestic violence in Maryland. There are three keys to the implementation of this important new policy that is effective January 1, 2010.

1. Arresting officers must know the definition of a domestic related incident (DRI) as defined by this GOCCP policy and flag appropriate arrests.
2. Arresting officers must communicate the knowledge that a DRI arrest has occurred to Booking Officers.
3. Booking Officers must select the DRI code in the Network Livescan in addition to arrest charge codes.

**DEFINITION**

GOCCP policy definition of a Domestic Related Incident (DRI)-Any criminal offense where the offender and the victim are, or ever have been, married, in an intimate relationship (including dating and same sex relationships), or have a child together.

The key to this definition is “**any** criminal offense” resulting from the incident. Both violent and

non-violent offenses, such as theft, destruction of property, or harassment will be tracked as long as the offender / victim relationship meets the criteria.

### PROCEDURE

1. Arresting officers will determine if their charges meet the above criteria.
2. If the charges do meet the criteria, the officer will attach a purple (DRI) sheet to their charging documents upon completion. This sheet will alert the Booking Officer that the case is a Domestic Related Incident, when the charging documents are turned over to them. A supply of purple (DRI) sheets will be kept inside the Booking Room.
3. The Booking Officer will enter the appropriate charging information into Tiburon as usual. The Booking Officer will then manually enter an additional charge of 9D9999 (DRI Code) into the LiveScan machine.
4. The purple (DRI) sheet may then be removed from the charging documents, and reused as needed. The sheets will not be sent to the Court Commissioner's Office.

### CONCLUSION

DRI data is not reported to the FBI or published on the defendant's Maryland RAP sheet. Data will be available for State and local agency use to track domestic related incidents by jurisdiction and identify the scope of Maryland's domestic violence problem real-time. The Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services Information Technology and Communications Division (DPSCS ITCD) will generate monthly reports by agency for State and local analysis purposes. Reports will be available through the Maryland Statistical Analysis Center housed within the Governor's Office of Crime Control & Prevention.