

Providing Accounts - Post Incident Procedure

APP Armed Policing

Stage 1

Situation Report

Following discharge of firearm by police

TFC or Control Room must be informed

Sufficient to:
1) Provide a sit rep and
2) Permit TFC to discharge their Post Incident Responsibilities

PIM to certify accuracy

Timed, dated & signed by PIM

Stage 2

PIM Basic Facts

PIM is responsible for establishing the 'Basic facts' of what has happened

Where possible from a source other than a 'Principal Officer'

At PIM location

By someone willing

Verbal or written

Subject to Legal Advice

Should be sufficient to:

1. Confirm officers at scene
2. Describe their role at scene
3. Confirm who fired their weapon

Original to IPCC. Copy to provider and PIM

Use of pro forma not appropriate

Stage 3

Personal Initial Account

Subject to Legal & Medical Advice

Should be provided before going off duty

Consist of officer's individual recollection of events

Written, signed & dated

Purpose:
Record their role, essential facts & outline their 'honestly held belief' that resulted in their use of force

Stage 4

Detailed Account

Not immediate

Normally after at least 48 hours

Should include if relevant, why use of force and discharge of firearm to be absolutely necessary

Taken by IIA or witness themselves

Subject to Legal Advice

Statements should be submitted to IIA within 7 days of incident under investigation