

WOLFEBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT

SOP 6.12

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[Note: This written directive is for the internal governance of the Wolfeboro Police Department and, as provided by RSA 516:36, is not intended and should not be interpreted to establish a higher standard of care in any civil or criminal action than would otherwise be applicable under existing law.]

By Order of:
Dean J. Rondeau, Chief of Police

POLYGRAPH

Policy To be used as an investigative tool in a criminal investigation and for employment purposes.

Purpose The purpose of this directive is to cover the following:

Examiners	General Guidelines
Authorization	Restrictions

Certification Polygraph examiners must be certified from a specialized training institution NH State Police or a Mutual Aid Agency shall perform criminal polygraphs for the Wolfeboro Police Department.
The Chief may authorize an outside examiner for the purpose of background polygraphs.

Authorization The Chief must authorize the use of a polygraph in all cases.

General Guideline

- All reports and information given to examiner.
- Investigation should be completed as much as possible prior to exam.
- No interrogation of the subject should be made immediately prior to exam.
- Examiners will be provided with any additional information requested.
- Information known only to the perpetrators should not be disclosed at any point during the investigation.

Any additional guidelines that the Examiner wants established prior to the polygraph.

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Restrictions

Polygraphs will not be conducted if the examiner is of the opinion that an examination would not meet their criteria, would be unwise or the results would be unreliable.