




OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

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SUBJECT: **CALEA Standard 26.2.5**
Statistical Summary of the Office of Professional Responsibility Investigations

The purpose of this memorandum is to document the compliance of the South Carolina Department of Public Safety's (SCDPS) Office of Professional Responsibility (OPR) in regard to Chapter 52, Internal Affairs, and Section 26.2.5 of the CALEA Standards for Law Enforcement Agencies Manual.

Attached to this memorandum is a summary of the types, status, and volume of allegations investigated by the OPR from January 1, 2025, to December 31, 2025. As mandated by the aforementioned CALEA Standard, the summary must be posted in a conspicuous location. The standard also requires that this information be available to the public and agency employees.

NOTE: Some of the totals for the categories listed may exceed the actual number of specific cases. This is due to the fact that multiple allegations may be attached to a single case.



2025 ACCREDITATION STATISTICAL SUMMARY REPORT

STATUS PER NUMBER OF ALLEGATIONS INVESTIGATED

Allegations	Pending	Administratively Closed	Exonerated	Not Sustained	Sustained	Unfounded	Grand Total
Arrest Procedures				2	8		10
Arrested for crime					3		3
Bias Based				1		1	2
Discourteous / unprofessional conduct	1		1	2	3		7
Dissemination of Sensitive / Confidential Information					1		1
Dress Code violation	1				1		2
Drug / alcohol use OFF-duty					1		1
Engaged in Sexual activity while on duty				2	6		8
Evidence Procedures				1	4		5
Excessive Force				1			1
Fail to Supervise	1			1	2		4
Failed to attend (special assignment, training, court, etc)		1					1
Failed to properly secure DPS property					1		1
Failed to properly secure suspect / Escape					1		1
Failed to represent the department in positive manner					1		1
Failed to take appropriate enforcement action				1	15		16
Failure to Complete Collision Investigation					1		1
Failure to follow Directive		1			8		9
Failure to Follow Proper Procedures				1	12		13
Failure to inventory veh / property	1						1
Failure to notify dispatch (as required)					3		3
Failure to provide compt/ truthful info during investigation					2		2
Failure to report damage (veh/DPS property)					2		2
Failure to Report to Work		1			1		2
Falsification of Records					5		5
Firearms Discharge (accidental)					3		3
Harassment / Making threats					3		3
Improper / Unlawful T-stop				1			1
Improper Accident Investigation	3				9		12
Improper Arrest			1	1			2
Improper charge /ticket issued				1	4		5
Improper Conduct	3			3	9		15
Improper Handling of Evidence					1		1

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Improper handling of personal property (lost property)						1	1
Improper Procedures	2			5	10	1	18
Improper Search				1			1
Inaccurate info/documentation (unintended)					1		1
Inappropriate Language/Comment					1		1
Insubordination		1			7		8
Lost Badge/Credentials					1		1
Misuse of Computing Resources					3		3
Misuse of Position for Personal Gain					1		1
Misuse of Sick Leave				1			1
Misuse of State Vehicle	1						1
Misuse of Work Time					6		6
Negligence in the Performance of Supervisory Duties					1		1
Officer Involved shooting				1			1
Operating vehicle in unsafe manner	1				1		2
Racial Profiling				1			1
Rude & Discourteous	2			6	4		12
Search Procedures					1		1
Social Media Policy					1		1
Speeding	3			2	4		9
Suicidal threats / actions				2			2
Tardiness					1		1
Traffic law violation (other than speeding)					1		1
Unauthorized passenger			1				1
Untruthfulness	1	1		3	11		16
Use of Tobacco products					1		1
Vehicle Pursuit Policy	1				2		3
Video Recording Policy					13		13
Violation of Telephone / Cell Phone Use Policy					1		1
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Grand Total	21	5	3	40	182	3	254