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DIRECTIVE NO. 28

SUBJECT: Governor's Proclamation on Auxiliary Police Powers

Governor Meyner granted to Emergency Management Auxiliary Police of New Jersey the power to enforce all New Jersey laws during emergencies and training exercises.

Under Chapter 251, Section 13, Laws of 1942, as amended "An Act Concerning Civil Defense During An Emergency," such rules and regulations promulgated by proclamation of the Governor are binding to all political subdivisions, public agencies, public officials and public employees of New Jersey and upon each and every person within this State.

A copy of the proclamation is attached. Particular attention is invited to Paragraph 2 which points out that the State Director shall establish specific time limits and rules and regulations for training purposes.

Municipal Emergency Management Coordinators shall bring this proclamation to the attention of their Mayor and Chief of Police.

Directive No. 28 dated October 8, 1957 is hereby revised.

*Clinton L. Pagano*

Clinton L. Pagano, Colonel  
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Attachment

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Executive Department

P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Civil Defense Plan states in part, "The purpose of Civil Defense is to minimize the effects upon the civilian population of any emergency resulting from enemy action or sabotage..."; and

WHEREAS, the development and training of adequate civilian defense auxiliary police forces are essential to further safeguard the public security, health and welfare:

NOW, THEREFORE, I ROBERT B. MEYNER, Governor of the State of New Jersey, in order to provide further safeguards for the public security, health and welfare, and pursuant to the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and by the Laws of this State, Do Hereby Make, Promulgate and Proclaim, effective immediately, the following Rules concerning the duties and powers of auxiliary police of duly authorized municipal civilian defense organizations in this State"

1. During any emergency, as defined in Chapter 251 of the Laws of 1942, as amended and supplemented, or during any practice, drill or activity in preparation for such emergency duly authorized by the State Civilian Defense Director, the auxiliary police of duly authorized municipal civilian defense organizations in this State shall have power to enforce all laws made or to be made for the conservation of the peace and for the good government and protection of the citizens and inhabitants of this State, and to apprehend offenders against such laws, and for the disturbances shall have all the powers of peace officers, police officers and constables.
2. Within time limits and rules and regulations to be prescribed by the State Civilian Defense Director, and with the approval of the governing body of any municipality, the auxiliary police of the duly authorized civilian defense organization of such municipality may be attached to the local police force for the purpose of training. During such period of training such auxiliary police shall have all the powers of peace officers, police officers and constables except as may otherwise be prescribed by such municipality.
3. Each auxiliary police officer, before assuming the duties of his office, shall take and subscribe to the oaths required by Chapter 1 of the Title "Oaths and Affidavits" of the Revised Statutes (R.S.41:1-1 et seq.), which oaths shall be filed with the clerk of the municipal in which each such officer resides.

4. Auxiliary police officers in good faith carrying out, complying with, or attempting to comply with the rules and regulations made and promulgated herein or pursuant hereto, or performing any authorized service in connection therewith, shall have and possess all of the rights, privileges and immunities conferred upon civilian defense volunteers by the laws of this State.

(Seal)

GIVEN under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Jersey, this twenty third day of September in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-four, and in the Independence of the United States, the one hundred and seventy-ninth.

/s/ Robert B. Meyner

GOVERNOR

BY THE GOVERNOR:

/s/ Edward J. Patten  
Secretary of State