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Protecting Children from Abuse Training – Law Enforcement Personnel

Legislation enacted by the New Jersey legislature intended to strengthen the protections offered to minors will require an ongoing training program for law enforcement leaders, command staff, and every officer. The MEL offers three levels of training based upon the roles and responsibilities of individuals in their agencies.

The Risk Management for Police Command Staff training program will have Protection of Minors Training incorporated into the program. By attending the Command Staff Training Program, your command staff will meet the requirements of the NJMEL for the Protection of Minors training.

For command staff officers who are not required to attend the Command Staff Training Programs, they can access the required training through the virtual training class. (see chart below #2).

First-line supervisors, law enforcement officers, and any employee who may come in contact with minors should view the 20-minute online awareness video program that is available 24/7/365. (See chart below #3).

Protection of Minors Training Programs	
Types of Training	Required for:
1 Police Command Staff Training	Protection of Minors Training will be included in ongoing “Risk Management for Police Command Staff Training” programs that are offered by the Law Enforcement Unit of J.A. Montgomery Consulting.
2 For Command Staff Officers that do not attend the “Risk Management for Police Command Staff Training Program,” the Protection of Minors training must be completed through the MEL Safety Institute (MSI)	Attend the live virtual class, <i>Protecting Children from Abuse for Managers/Supervisors/Elected Officials</i> . Refresher training is recommended every 2 years For dates and times, please access the hyperlink below: https://melsafetyinstitute.org/msi-live-schedule/
3 First-Line Supervisors Front Line Personnel Police Civilian Personnel Communications Operators	Log into MEL Safety Institute Learning Management System (MSI LMS), click on MSI NOW and view Protecting Children from Abuse (20-Minute on demand online training video) Refresher training is recommended every 2 years Please access the hyperlink below: https://firstnetcampus.com/MELJIF2/entities/MEL/logon.htm

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