

Annual Major Discipline Reporting Form
Internal Affairs Policy & Procedures | Appendix L

Permitted by Attorney General Law Enforcement Directive No. 2022-24, every state, county, and local law enforcement agency in New Jersey is required to submit to the Attorney General and the County Prosecutor, and publish on the agency's public website, a brief synopsis of all complaints where a termination, reduction in rank or grade, and/or suspension of more than five days, as well as sustained findings listed in the above directive, regardless of the type or severity of discipline imposed, was assessed to an agency member. For the purposes of this report, please include all major disciplines in which a plea agreement was reached or final sanction was imposed during the time period listed below. In addition, include all discipline from earlier years which was less than an appeal, the final appeal was reached during 2023, and the discipline remains in one of the enumerated categories. Instructions for completing this form can be found on the "Instructions" tab of the Excel version of this document.

Time period: **January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024**
 County: **Sussex** - Select County from dropdown menu here
 Agency: **Hopatcong PD** - Select Agency from dropdown menu here

No.	Rank	Disciplined Officer		Sanction			# Days Susp.	Resigned, retired, transferred, or separated while in Pending	Specify other sanction type, if applicable	Sustained Charge	
		First Name	Last Name	Terminated?	Demoted?	Suspended?				Sustained Charge	Description
1	PT1	James	Still	Yes						Excessive Force	The Sussex County Prosecutor's Office charged PI Still with Aggravated Assault stemming from an interaction with a defendant during a DWI investigation. As part of his plea deal with the Sussex County Prosecutor's Office, PI Still pleaded guilty to Simple Assault (a reduced charge in Sussex County Superior Court. PI Still forfeited his job and any future Law Enforcement employment in the State of New Jersey.
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For Sustained Charge(s), regardless of the type or severity of discipline imposed, please use a SHORT HAND description like the below, rather than a statute or ordinance:

-Discrimination or bias: Discrimination or Bias against any person b/c of the individual's actual or perceived race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, civil union status, domestic partnership status, affectional or sexual orientation, genetic information, sex, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality, familial status, or any other protected characteristic under N.J.S.A. 10:5-1 et seq.

-Excessive Force: Officer utilized excessive force

-Untruthful/Candor: Officer was untruthful or has demonstrated a lack of candor

-False Report: Officer has filed a false report or submitted a false certification in any criminal, administrative, employment, financial, or insurance matter in their professional or personal life

-Improper Search, Seizure, Arrest: Officer intentionally conducted an improper search, seizure or arrest

-Evidence Mishandling: Officer intentionally mishandled or destroyed evidence

-Domestic Violence: Domestic violence, as defined in N.J.S.A. 2C:25-19

-Indictable Offense: Officer was charged with any indictable crime under New Jersey or an equivalent offense under federal law or the law of another jurisdiction related to the complaint