



FUGITIVE INVESTIGATIONS

Criminal Investigations

8.1 ADMINISTRATION OF WARRANTS AND RELATED CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS

Managing Fugitive Investigations

- A. General:** to provide a standard structure within the USMS for maximum efficiency and for assistance in program evaluation to ensure that mission objectives are met. All warrants received by the USMS will be assigned a case number by the Warrant Information Network (WIN).

Example: 0314-1001-0001-A

03 - fiscal year
 14 - district number
 10 - month
 01 - day of the month
 0001 - warrant number
 A - violation code

- B. Maintaining Warrants:** The USMS district office will receive all warrants issued by the Federal court. A folder will be prepared for each warrant received. The original warrant will remain in the folder until it is executed or dismissed and returned to the court.
- C. Tracking Warrant Activity:** As the repository for all Federal warrants, the USMS must maintain an accounting of warrants received, executed, and dismissed.
- D. Violation Codes**

Violation Codes	
A	Escape: (all escapes will be assigned a number including those instances when a warrant is not immediately issued)
B	Bond Default: (failure to appear)
C	Parole Violation
D	Probation Violation and Supervised Release Violation
E	Agencies Without Powers of Arrest: Include all felony warrants received from the courts which are based on investigations by agencies without powers of arrest. Including provisional arrest warrants issued on behalf of foreign countries.
F	Other: Warrants for such Class I violations as aiding and abetting, harboring, contempt of court, contempt of grand jury, perjury, etc.
H	Traffic Warrants
I	Misdemeanor
J	Other federal warrants with arrest authority Class II

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3. **Tour of Duty in Warrant Section**

- a. Deputies assigned to the warrant unit should remain in that position for a sufficient period of time to allow efforts of investigation(s) to be developed. Rapid turnover of investigative personnel is unproductive and is strongly discouraged.
- b. U.S. Marshals are encouraged to assign some cases, usually Class II violations, to deputies not serving in the warrant section to afford opportunities to remain current in investigative procedures.

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