HANDLING OF REFUSE COMPLAINTS AND VIOLATIONS

POLICY

I. Refuse violations reported to the Honolulu Police Department (HPD) shall be handled in accordance with this policy.

II. Chapter 42, Article 6, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu, authorizes police officers to arrest or issue a form of summons or citation to violators of this chapter.

PROCEDURE

I. General Complaints

Complaints of refuse collection and disposal violations received from the public shall be referred to the Department of Environmental Services (DES) for investigation and issuance of warnings. The reporting person shall be referred to the refuse yard servicing the location of the complaint.

II. Requests for Enforcement Action by the DES

A. A DES representative shall request an officer to take enforcement action for repeat refuse collection and disposal violations.

B. The assigned officer shall meet with the DES representative at the scene of the violation.
C. The assigned officer shall obtain a written HONOLULU POLICE DEPARTMENT STATEMENT FORM, HPD-252 form, from the DES representative, a copy of documented prior warnings issued to the violator, and photographs (if available) of the violation(s).

1. The officer shall initiate a miscellaneous crime report and submit a completed HPD-252 form. The report shall include the violation, dates and times of prior warnings, copies of the DES documentation of warnings issued to the violator, and photographs (if available) of the violation(s).

   If available, the officer shall also submit a photograph of the current violation with the report.

2. The officer shall issue a citation to the violator. If the violator is not present, the case shall be submitted to the respective district's Misdemeanor Follow-Up Detail for follow-up and issuance of a citation.

3. A copy of the completed police report and citation shall be forwarded to the director of the Misdemeanor and Traffic Division, Department of the Prosecuting Attorney.