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Forest Preserve District of Will County Police Department Body Camera Report – 2025

AGENCY OVERVIEW

In 2025, the Forest Preserve District of Will County Police Department employed 28 sworn officers and possessed 19 body -worn cameras. All full-time officers were assigned their own body camera while part time officers are assigned cameras by a supervisor. Their assigned body cameras are documented in our scheduling program for tracking purposes.

TECHNICAL ISSUES

In 2025, we had technical issues with two body cameras.

The first issue was the camera showing a network error and to unplug/replug dock power. A hard restart to the camera was performed and it was still showing errors, even after being docked. An RMA was created through Axon and the camera was returned. A new one was sent as a replacement.

The second issue with another camera was that the display screen was not working and it was blank. There was a little crack which led us to believe that water got into the display. Camera still turned on and off and records, but the display is showing. An RMA was created through Axon and the camera was returned. A new one was sent as a replacement.

REVIEW PROCESS

The Forest Preserve District of Will County Police Department Lexipol Body -Worn Camera policy # 435 covers the review process for the body -worn camera.



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B. Supervisory Access

1. Supervisors shall perform quarterly random reviews of BWC recordings which shall consist of three (3) incident's footage of each officer. Supervisors shall coordinate the selection of their reviews with one another to ensure there are no duplicate reviews. The reviews shall be documented on the Body Worn Camera Video Review Form. The review will include the following:
 - a. Reviewing Supervisor
 - b. Date of Review
 - c. Personnel being reviewed
 - d. Date/Time of occurrence
 - e. Type of Incident
 - f. Policy Compliance
 - g. Compliance with the law
 - h. Officer's safety
 - i. Any necessary action/follow-up taken
2. The quarterly random reviews of BWC recordings are intended to:
 - a. Assess officer performance.
 - b. Determine whether BWC equipment is functioning and being properly used.
 - c. Identify material that may be appropriate for training.
3. Supervisors shall not randomly review Body Worn Camera videos outside of their assigned quarterly reviews.

OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION

The Forest Preserve District of Will County Police Department began using body-worn cameras January 1, 2024.

The Department used Axon Body 3 cameras in 2025 and will be upgrading to the Axon body 4 cameras in 2026.