

**DIRECTIVE 83.1
COLLECTION AND PRESERVATION OF EVIDENCE
ADMINISTRATION**

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This directive consists of the following sections:

[83.1.1 24-Hour Availability](#)

POLICY AND PROCEDURE:

The Miami Township Police Department has a responsibility to provide professional, effective and efficient law enforcement services to the community. The delivery of effective and efficient service to the community requires that the department properly investigate crime scenes and traffic collision scenes, especially regarding the handling of physical evidence.

[83.1.1 24-Hour Availability](#)

It is the policy of the Miami Township Police Department to thoroughly investigate crime scenes and traffic collision scenes and to ensure that such duties are performed in an efficient manner on a 24-hour basis by qualified personnel.

It is the responsibility of the Investigations Supervisor to maintain a call out schedule of investigative personnel for the purpose of processing crime scenes.

It is the responsibility of the Patrol Division Supervisor to schedule traffic safety unit personnel for the purpose of providing for the processing of traffic collision scenes. Should a traffic safety unit member be unavailable, a district patrol car will respond to process the scene.

In the event of a traffic collision that involves a life-threatening injury or fatality, the shift supervisor may request Ohio State Patrol to handle the investigation and scene processing.