

Tri-Com and its police departments use an alpha-numeric system of unit identification. Each unit designator consists of three items.

The first item is a number which identifies the unit's department.

1 - St. Charles, 2 - Geneva, 3 - Batavia, 4 - Elburn, 5 - Tri-Com

The second item is a letter, which is always expressed phonetically. The letter defines the unit type as described below.

ADAM - Traffic officers (generally assigned to traffic-only details)

CHARLIE - Command staff (Chiefs, Deputy Chiefs, Commanders, Lieutenants)

DAVID - Detectives

EDWARD - Evidence Technicians

FRANK - Foot patrol

GEORGE - Administrative staff (non-command)

HENRY - Community Service Officers (CSOs)

IDA - Unit on special assignment

JOHN - Juvenile officers

LINCOLN - Crime Prevention / school liaison officers

NORA - Tri-Com personnel

PAUL - One Officer Patrol Unit (assigned to a single beat area)

ROBERT - Roving Patrol Unit (assigned to more than one beat area)

SAM - Patrol Supervisor or Officer in Charge (OIC)

TOM - Two Officer Patrol Unit (can be used as a PAUL or ROBERT unit)

VICTOR - Parking Enforcement Officers

WILLIAM - Records personnel

X-RAY - Extra Units, Officers retained from previous shift, off duty Officers

ZEBRA - Problem Oriented Policing Officer (POP)

The third item is the beat assignment area.

1 - Northeast, 2 - Northwest, 3 - Southeast, 4 - Southwest

For example 2PAUL2 is a Patrol Officer assigned to the Northwest area of Geneva.

Fire Apparatus

Units 0-99 belong to Batavia

Units 100-199 belong to St. Charles

Units 200-299 belong to Geneva

Units 300-399 belong to Elburn