



# *Town of Longmeadow*

## *Police Department*

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Chief John Stankiewicz is pleased to announce that a team of assessors from the Massachusetts Police Accreditation Commission is scheduled to arrive on Wednesday March 20, 2019, to begin examining various aspects of the Longmeadow Police Department's policies and procedures, operations and facilities.

Verification by the Assessment Team that the Department meets the Commission's standards is part of a voluntary process to gain state Accreditation -- a self-initiated evaluation process by which police departments strive to meet and maintain standards that have been established *for* the profession, *by* the profession.

The Massachusetts Police Accreditation Program consists of 257 mandatory standards as well as 125 optional standards. In order to achieve accreditation status, the Department must meet all applicable mandatory standards as well as 69 optional standards.

Achieving Accreditation is a highly prized recognition of law enforcement professional excellence. Anyone interested in learning more about this program is invited to call Chief Stankiewicz or the Department's Accreditation Manager Lt Robert Stocks.

## Massachusetts Police Accreditation Program