



## JANUARY 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2019 ACCREDITATION ASSESSMENT

Chief Edward Conley is pleased to announce

that a team of assessors from the Massachusetts Police Accreditation Commission is scheduled to arrive on January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019, to begin examining various aspects of the Manchester by-the-Sea 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 standards as well as 55% of the 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 Lieutenant Todd Fitzgerald or Officer Ryan Machain – the Department's Accreditation Managers.

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**WHY PARTICIPATE?**

**ACCREDITATION IS A  
'BADGE OF HONOR'  
IN THE LAW  
ENFORCEMENT  
PROFESSION.**

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**IT IS ONE OF THE  
BEST MEASURES OF  
A DEPARTMENT'S  
COMPLIANCE WITH  
PROFESSIONAL LAW  
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