



Regional Information Sharing Systems® (RISS)

RISSafe™

Safeguarding Law Enforcement Through Information Sharing



What is event deconfliction?

Investigative efforts, such as undercover operations, can create situations in which agency personnel work in close proximity to each other. In other situations, agencies or officers may inadvertently interfere with each other's investigations, causing investigative efforts to be disrupted or, worse, officers to be unintentionally hurt or killed. The use of an officer safety event deconfliction system provides controlled and secure monitoring of these operations and the immediate notification of affected parties when potential conflicts arise with other law enforcement actions or events.

What is RISSafe?

The RISS Officer Safety Event Deconfliction System (RISSafe™) maintains data on planned law enforcement investigative events submitted for inclusion (e.g., warrant services, controlled buys, surveillances), as well as appropriate noninvestigative events, with the goal of identifying and alerting affected agencies or officers of potential conflicts. RISSafe is used in conjunction with mapping software to verify data on event locations when an event is entered into the system. Staff members assigned to a RISSafe Watch Center are responsible for assisting officers, entering and monitoring events, responding to conflicts, and notifying affected parties. In the event of a conflict, RISSafe Watch Center staff will receive an alarm and notify involved parties of the pending conflict.

RISSafe permits authorized users to enter events remotely. When an officer enters data into RISSafe remotely, they receive a notice that the event has been accepted. If a conflict is identified, the remote officer and appropriate parties are notified of the conflict. Authorized users are able to enter event data on a 24/7 basis but do not have the ability to see other users' entries into the system.

Officers may also contact their RISSafe Watch Center to initiate the event submission process.

RISSafe is a valuable tool to warn officers of potential "blue-on-blue" situations prior to engaging in high-risk operations, such as undercover activities, arrests, stings, sweeps, drug buy/busts, and other events that officers face daily.



What is RISSafe Mobile?

RISSafe Mobile enables officers to submit law enforcement events to RISSafe via their mobile devices. RISSafe Mobile supports the following mobile operating system platforms: iPhone® OS (including the iPad®), Windows Mobile®, and Android™ devices.

Why should I use RISSafe?

- Easy to Use** | The system enables law enforcement personnel to easily submit event information 24/7 and receive immediate notification of potential conflicts.
- Valuable** | RISSafe enhances officer safety, improves agency operations, and strengthens information sharing.
- Secure** | RISSafe is available through accessing the RISS Secure Cloud (RISSNET™), which employs state-of-the-art technologies to safeguard and provide fine-grained access control to resources.
- Connectivity** | The three nationally recognized event deconfliction systems—RISSafe, Case Explorer, and SAFETNet—are integrated.
- No Cost** | There is no cost for law enforcement officers to use RISSafe.



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About RISS

RISS is a proven, trusted, and evidence-based program that supports the needs of thousands of local, state, federal, and tribal criminal justice and public safety professionals while helping advance the nation's criminal justice strategy. RISS is composed of six regional centers and the RISS Technology Support Center (RTSC). RISS focuses on three priorities: investigative case support, secure information and intelligence sharing, and officer safety and deconfliction. RISS services and resources impact investigative efforts and operations daily. This is evident in the hundreds of shared success stories agencies and officers submit to RISS each year. To read these, as well as access information regarding statistics and quotes from each state visit www.riss.net/Impact.

RISS offers full-service delivery, from the beginning of an investigation to the ultimate prosecution and conviction of criminals. An officer can simultaneously query multiple intelligence databases, retrieve information from investigative systems, obtain assistance from intelligence research staff, borrow equipment, receive training, and use analytical resources to help prosecute criminals. RISS is congressionally funded and administered by the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), through grant awards. BJA provides funding oversight and program management for the RISS Program.

Is RISSafe an intelligence database?

RISSafe is not an intelligence database. There is no criminal predicate required to post an operation. However, when entering an event into RISSafe, officers may include additional information, such as target and investigative data. After data is entered into RISSafe, appropriate information is sent to a queue in the RISS Criminal Intelligence Database (RISSIntel™) for review by RISS Center staff or is sent to another criminal intelligence system available via RISSNET. After review, only data from RISS member agencies that meets 28 Code of Federal Regulations Part 23 guidelines is submitted to RISSIntel. The interaction between RISSafe and RISSIntel provides comprehensive officer safety (event) and subject (target) deconfliction services.

How do I access RISSafe?

RISSafe is accessible and monitored on a 24/7/365 basis and is available at no cost to all criminal justice agencies regardless of RISS membership. For more information on RISS or how to access RISSafe or to become a RISSafe Watch Center, contact your in-region RISS Center or visit www.riss.net.

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