Watch Commanders

444.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE
Each patrol shift must be directed by supervisors who are capable of making decisions and communicating in a manner consistent with departmental policies, procedures, practices, functions and objectives. To accomplish this goal, a Sergeant heads each watch.

444.2 DESIGNATION AS ACTING WATCH COMMANDER
When a Sergeant is unavailable for duty as Watch Commander, in most instances the senior qualified senior officer shall be designated as acting Watch Commander. This policy does not preclude designating a less senior senior officer as an acting Watch Commander when operational needs require or training permits.