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## **Chief of Police Complaints 2025 Q2 Report**

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## Introduction

The Office of Inspector General (OIG) is providing an overview of complaints against the Chief of Police (COP), as required by updates to Ordinance 120977, passed in June 2025. This quarterly report provides data on the status of Chief of Police complaints at the end of the second quarter of 2025, as well as to date this year.

## Complaints Received

In the second quarter of 2025, the Office of Police Accountability (OPA) and OIG received eight COP complaints.<sup>1</sup> As of June 30, 2025, OPA and OIG have received eleven COP complaints this year.

## Intakes Completed

During the second quarter of 2025, OPA and OIG reviewed nine cases at the intake stage. These intakes were classified as follows:

- Nine cases were classified as a contact log
- No cases were certified as an expedited investigation
- No cases were classified for further investigation

Twenty-three cases remain at the intake stage.

## Investigations and Certifications

Case Type	Q2 Full Certification Rate	Q2 Total Cases Certified	2025 Full Certification Rate	2025 Total Cases Certified
Expedited Investigation	N/A	0	N/A	0
Investigation	N/A	0	100%	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>2</b>

After conducting an intake, when a viable allegation of a Seattle Police Department (SPD) policy violation is made, OPA and OIG classify the case for either expedited investigation or full investigation. When a case is classified as an expedited investigation, OPA and OIG agree findings can be reached based solely on information from the intake investigation, and no further investigation is necessary. If, at the intake stage, OIG and/or OPA do not believe an intake investigation is sufficient for fact-finding, the case is classified as an

<sup>1</sup> While eight COP complaints were received, nine cases were opened in 2025, because a case from a previous year contained allegations against both the Chief and other officers. The COP allegation is being handled separately, under a new case number, generated in 2025.

investigation. All OPA investigations, regardless of whether they are expedited, receive an OIG certification determining whether the cases are thorough, timely, and objective.

OPA and OIG did not complete any expedited investigations or investigations involving the Chief in the second quarter of 2025, but so far this year OIG has certified two of OPA's COP investigations. During certification, OIG reviews and assesses expedited investigations and investigations to determine if they are thorough, timely, and objective.<sup>2</sup> In 2025, OIG has a full certification rate of 100% of COP cases.

## Closed and Outstanding Cases

At the end of Q2, OIG and OPA had 35 COP Cases open. Of those cases, 23 are at intake, 11 are completed but not closed, and two are currently classified for full investigation. Only about 22.2% of open cases pertain to the current Chief. All complaints against the current Chief are at the intake stage. This year OIG and OPA closed 12 cases by the end of the second quarter, all of which were contact logs.

	As of 06/30/2025
Cases at Intake	23
Cases Under Investigation	2
Cases Completed Awaiting Closure	11
Total Open Cases	36
Percentage of Open Cases Pertaining to Current Chief of Police	22.2%
<b>Total Closed</b>	<b>12</b>

<sup>2</sup> In instances where OIG cannot certify a COP case as thorough, timely, and objective, OIG is required to provide notice to City entities as outlined in City of Seattle Ordinance 126628, then choose a new non-City entity to perform a new investigation.