

Clarifying the Use of Caution Indicators

- Offense involved the use of a weapon
- Subject is known to possess a weapon
- Subject has a history of violence
- Subject has a history of possession/using weapons
- It is believed subject may pose a threat to safety of public or officer when encountered
- Subject is or has been known to be suicidal

When a caution indicator suffix is used, amplifying details/weapon information should be placed in the first part of the MIS field. Agencies should also have appropriate documentation available to support the use of a caution indicator (i.e., criminal history response, statements in officer's report, the warrant stating the offense, etc.). For specific caution indicator suffixes available, see the Message Key/Record Label Field Description page in the eManual chapter of the hot file being entered.

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