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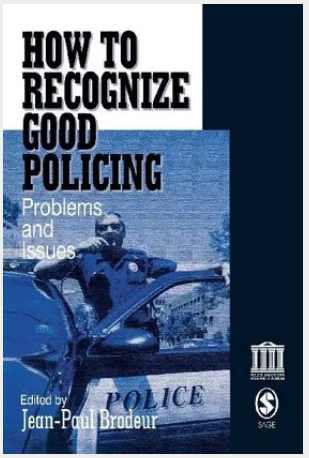
How To Recognize Good Policing

Problems and Issues



The emergence of community and problem-oriented policing is at the top of the policing reform agenda. How to Recognize Good Policing focuses on the obstacles, problems, and concerns impacting police reform, and it offers direction for formulating an easy-to-understand evaluation method. This tightly edited volume pulls together research findings with practical experience, offering a comprehensive study of policing. Co-published with the Police Executive Research Forum (PERF), this book is divided into four parts. Part I provides a general overview of community and problem-oriented policing. Part II is comprised of five chapters that specifically address issues in the assessment of police performance that include: assessment of individual police performance; the problems raised by making an evaluation; the role of the public in community policing through participation in beat meetings, neighborhood watch schemes, and public surveys to determine the satisfaction level. Part III of this book addresses organizational change and its assessment, including an assessment of the consequences expected when implementing some basic elements: delayerization, professionalism, democratization, and service integration. How to Recognize Good Policing also includes a portion devoted to a summary of exchanges that occurred between chapter authors, police professionals, and other persons involved in the areas of security. This book concludes with future perspectives on increasing roles for private security agencies, hybrid agencies, and community involvement in civil policing. With its focus on practical problems and gaining results, How to Recognize Good Policing is a must-read for academics, researchers, practitioners, and policy makers, as well as advanced students in related fields of study.

Since the early 1970's, police reform has been a major concern throughout the world. Widespread implementation of various forms of problem-oriented policing, plus the unforeseen decline of crime rates in recent years observed in most Western countries, has focused attention on the need for evaluation studies of policing. How To Recognize Good Policing brings together the research findings and practical experience of acknowledged experts in the field.

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