

# DUNCANVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT REGULATIONS

SUBJECT: Agency Jurisdiction, Mutual Aid and Regional Services	SECTION: 8.01
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## I. AGENCY JURISDICTION AND MUTUAL AID

### A. Agency Jurisdiction

1. Officers will observe and enforce traffic and criminal laws within the city limits of Duncanville unless otherwise authorized by state law to enforce such laws outside the city limits.
2. A map prepared by the City of Duncanville Public Works Department delineates geographical boundaries as set forth and approved by the City Council.

### B. Concurrent Jurisdiction

1. As a municipality our agency shares jurisdiction with the county, state, and federal law enforcement agencies. Regarding calls for service, Duncanville officers will respond and after contact shall make a determination if another agency should be notified. Concurrent jurisdiction is shared within the city with Federal Agencies with the enforcement of felonies authorized by the Code of Criminal Procedure Article 2.122.
2. Requests for backup support for another law enforcement agency shall be handled appropriately provided there is sufficient manpower. Southwest Regional Communication Center shall process the radio traffic between the agencies unless circumstances dictate otherwise. A supervisor shall make the final determination regarding the amount of backup support. If an incident occurs in Duncanville involving another agency proceeding, during, or after a request for backup, that incident shall be documented. Likewise if a Duncanville officer is involved in an incident outside our jurisdiction while acting as a backup or support officer then that incident will be documented.

### C. Mutual Aid

1. The use of mutual aid and regional law enforcement services among agencies through cooperative agreements is established by statute. Such authority enables member agencies to provide assistance to each other in the event of a natural disaster, mass disorder, or other emergency situation. The City of Duncanville is a member of the Greater Dallas/Fort Worth Regional Law Enforcement Interlocal Assistance Agreement. (Copy included)
2. The City of Duncanville Police Department, if possible, may make available all such equipment and personnel to requesting agencies pursuant to the Interlocal Assistance Agreement. The Chief of Police or his designee shall determine personnel requirements and availability of equipment.

3. Southwest Regional Communication Center shall maintain radio contact with other agencies via the inter-city radio channel or through the issuance of portable radios with Duncanville Police Department radio frequency.
- D. Federal Law Enforcement Assistance  
Circumstances may require the assistance of federal law enforcement agencies and their resources. Officers may communicate with any federal agency to request or provide information. However, requests for assistance or personnel support shall be routed through the chain of command. All such requests for assistance shall be supported by fact and approved by the Chief of Police.
- E. National Guard Assistance  
Emergencies, disasters, or other unusual occurrences may require the assistance of the National Guard. Such requests shall be supported by fact and routed through the Chief of Police for subsequent referral to the City Manager.
- F. Use of Outside Personnel  
The use of outside personnel for mass processing of arrestees, transporting prisoners and operating temporary detention facilities is addressed in the Greater Dallas/Fort Worth Regional Law Enforcement Interlocal Assistance Agreement.

## II. REGIONAL SERVICES

- A. Statewide Law Enforcement Radio System  
The Duncanville Police Department may access the inter-city radio frequency at any time for general law enforcement interjurisdictional communication.
- B. Statewide Fingerprint Records System  
The centralized filing of fingerprints provides greater opportunity for swift identification and apprehension of criminal suspects. The Duncanville Police Department shall submit all fingerprints taken from arrested persons to the Texas Department of Public Safety in accordance with procedures set forth by the Texas DPS.
- C. Statewide Criminal Information System  
Information on criminal suspects and on stolen property can facilitate apprehension and recovery especially since a large amount of criminal activity is interjurisdictional. The Duncanville Police Department will maintain the proper equipment and services in order to participate in the Texas Crime Information Center and National Crime Information Center (TCIC and NCIC).
- D. Statewide Crime Reporting System  
Participation in a statewide crime reporting system provides information on trends in crime and arrests rates. The Duncanville Police Department will submit all required information as accurately as possible to the Texas Department of Public Safety and Federal Bureau of Investigation for the Uniform Crime Report.