

TITLE 6

LAW ENFORCEMENT¹

CHAPTER

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6-101. Policemen subject to chief's orders. All policemen shall obey and comply with such orders and administrative rules and regulations as the police chief may officially issue. (1982 Code, § 1-501)

6-102. Duties of chief of police. The chief of police shall have general supervision over the police department and be responsible for the efficiency thereof.

The chief of police shall see that all ordinances are enforced, and when any violation shall come to his attention, whether by personal observation or by information from others, he shall make complaint and cause the person so offending to be prosecuted. He shall cause all ordinances of the city relating to offenses against public morals and decency, public peace and quiet, public policy, and public safety to be enforced to the complete suppression of such offense. (1982 Code, § 1-502)

6-103. Policemen to preserve law and order, etc. Policemen shall preserve law and order within the municipality. They shall patrol the

¹The policy and procedures manual (and any amendments) for the Hohenwald Police Department is available in the city recorder's office.

²Municipal code reference

Traffic citations, etc.: title 15, chapter 7.

municipality and shall assist the city court during the trial of cases. Policemen shall also promptly serve any legal process issued by the city court. (1982 Code, § 1-503)

6-104. Policemen to wear uniforms and be armed. All policemen shall wear such uniform and badge as the governing body shall authorize and shall carry a service pistol at all times while on duty unless otherwise expressly directed by the chief for a special assignment. (1982 Code, § 1-504)

6-105. When policemen to make arrests. Unless otherwise authorized or directed in this code or other applicable law, an arrest of the person shall be made by a policeman in the following cases:

(1) Whenever he is in possession of a warrant for the arrest of the person.

(2) Whenever an offense is committed or a breach of the peace is threatened in the officer's presence by the person.

(3) Whenever a felony has in fact been committed and the officer has reasonable cause to believe the person has committed it. (1982 Code, § 1-505)

6-106. Policemen may require assistance in making arrests. It shall be unlawful for any male person willfully to refuse to aid a policeman in maintaining law and order or in making a lawful arrest when such a person's assistance is requested by the policeman and is reasonably necessary to effect the arrest. (1982 Code, § 1-506)

6-107. Disposition of persons arrested. Unless otherwise authorized by law, when a person is arrested for any offense other than one involving drunkenness he shall be brought before the city court for immediate trial or allowed to post bond. When the arrested person is drunk or when the city judge is not immediately available and the alleged offender is not able to post the required bond, he shall be confined. (1982 Code, § 1-507)

6-108. Police department records. The police department shall keep a comprehensive and detailed daily record in permanent form, showing:

(1) All known or reported offenses and/or crimes committed within the corporate limits.

(2) All arrests made by policemen.

(3) All police investigations made, funerals convoyed, fire calls answered, and other miscellaneous activities of the police department. (1982 Code, § 1-508)