

TITLE 6

LAW ENFORCEMENT

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CHAPTER 1

POLICE OFFICERS--QUALIFICATIONS

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6-101. Cooperation with Tennessee Law Enforcement Planning Commission. It shall be the policy of this municipality to consult with and cooperate with the Tennessee Law Enforcement Planning Commission, and to require that all police officers employed by the municipality meet the uniform minimum standards of training and qualifications as established by the Tennessee Law Enforcement Planning Commission.
 (1974 Code, § 1-1001)

6-102. Qualifications for police officers. Any person employed by this municipality as a full-time police officer shall:

- (a) Be at least twenty-one (21) years of age;
- (b) Be a citizen of the United States;
- (c) Be a high school graduate or its equivalent;
- (d) Not have been convicted of a felony or of a misdemeanor involving "moral turpitude" as the term is defined by law and who has not been released or discharged under any other than honorable conditions from the armed forces of the United States;
- (e) Have his fingerprints on file with the Tennessee Bureau of Criminal Identification;
- (f) Have passed a physical examination by a licensed physician;
- (g) Have good moral character as determined by investigation;
- (h) Be free of all latent or apparent mental disorders, as verified by a qualified professional under Tennessee Code Annotated, § 38-1004.

(1974 Code, § 1-1002, modified; Amended 12/17/2002)

CHAPTER 2

POLICE AND ARREST¹

SECTION

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6-201. 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.
(1974 Code, § 1-401)

6-202. Policemen to preserve law and order, etc. Policemen shall preserve law and order within the municipality. They shall patrol the 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.
(1974 Code, § 1-402)

6-203. 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 and and lawful related police equipment as authorized by the chief of police at all times while on duty unless otherwise expressly directed by the chief for a special assignment.
(1974 Code, § 1-403; Amended 12/17/2002)

6-204. When policemen to make arrests¹. 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:

- (a) Whenever he is in possession of a warrant for the arrest of the person.
- (b) Whenever an offense is committed or a breach of the peace is threatened in the officer's presence by the person.
- (c) Whenever a felony has in fact been committed and the officer has reasonable cause to believe the person has committed it.

(1974 Code, § 1-404)

¹Municipal code reference

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

6-205. Policemen may require assistance. It shall be unlawful for any 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.

(1974 Code, § 1-405; Amended 12/17/2002)

6-206. Disposition of persons arrested. Unless otherwise authorized by law, when a person is arrested he shall be brought before the city court for immediate trial or allowed to post bond. When the city judge is not immediately available and the alleged offender is not able to post the required bond, he shall be confined.

(1974 Code, § 1-406; Amended 12/17/2002)

6-207. Police department records. The police department shall keep a comprehensive and detailed daily record in permanent form, showing:

- (a) All known or reported offenses and/or crimes committed within the corporate limits.
- (b) All arrests made by policemen.
- (c) All police investigations made, funerals convoyed, fire calls answered, and other miscellaneous activities of the police department.

(1974 Code, § 1-407)

CHAPTER 3

JAIL

SECTION

- 6-301. County jail to be used.
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- 6-303. Compensation of inmates.

6-301. County jail to be used. The county jail is hereby designated as the municipal jail, subject to such contractual arrangement as may be worked out with the county.
(1974 Code, § 1-601)

6-302. Inmates to be worked. All persons committed to the jail, to the extent that their physical condition shall permit, shall be required to perform such public work or labor as may be lawfully prescribed for the county prisoners.
(1974 Code, § 1-602)

6-303. Compensation of inmates. Each jail inmate shall be allowed five dollars (\$5.00) per day as credit toward payment of the fines assessed against him.
(1974 Code, § 1-603)