

TEXARKANA, TEXAS POLICE DEPARTMENT
GENERAL ORDERS MANUAL

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SECTION 1 PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to require absolute truthfulness from all Department employees.

SECTION 2 POLICY

It is the policy of the Department that all employees will be truthful at all times.

SECTION 3 PROCEDURES

- A. Employees are to speak the truth at all times and under all circumstances. Employees are to be truthful in all written reports, memorandums, and all other Department communications. Employees shall not spread rumors, which may be detrimental to the Department or to any member of the Department.
- B. In cases where it is not allowed by law or by Department regulations to divulge facts and/or opinions within their knowledge, employees shall not speak on the subject.
- C. RESPONSIBILITY
 - 1. All members of the Department shall know and comply with all aspects of this directive.
 - 2. All Division Commanders and supervisory personnel are responsible for ensuring compliance with the provisions and intent of this directive.