

TEXARKANA, TEXAS POLICE DEPARTMENT
GENERAL ORDERS MANUAL

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SECTION 1 PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to regulate the reporting of all firearm discharges.

SECTION 2 POLICY

It the policy of the Department that all employees who discharge a firearm with the exception of training or off-duty practice and recreation will report the firearm discharge by documenting it on the Department's Response to Resistance or Aggression form.

SECTION 3 PROCEDURES

- A. All firearm discharges with the exception of training or off-duty practice and recreation will be documented on the Department's Response to Resistance or Aggression form.
- B. The Response to Resistance or Aggression form will be sent to the Chief of Police via the chain of command. Each supervisor in the chain of command will review the firearm discharge incident.
- C. The Office of Professional responsibility (OPR) shall retain the Response to Resistance or Aggression form in the appropriate database.

D. 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.