

## City of Racine Police Department **Policy and Procedure**

Subject:

## **Duties and Responsibilities – Police Officer - Courts**

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- 1. The Chief of Police shall appoint the Police Officer Courts upon the recommendation of the Position Selection Committee.
- 2. The Police Officer Courts shall:
  - a. Report to the Sergeant of Police Courts.
  - b. Maintain the City Hall working schedule (Mon-Fri).
  - c. Be capable of performing all of the essential functions of a sworn police officer which include, at a minimum, but are not limited to the following:
    - 1) Regular and predictable attendance at work.
    - 2) Get along with and work well with others.
    - 3) Make forcible arrests.
    - 4) Operate a motor vehicle under emergency conditions.
    - 5) Qualify with Department firearms.
    - 6) Write clear, concise, accurate reports.
    - 7) Work with computers and programs used by the Department.
  - d. Check E-Mail, Voice Mail, and any assigned mailboxes at least once each workday.
  - e. Have knowledge of and obey all policies, procedures, rules, regulations, orders and directives pertaining specifically or generally to this position.
  - f. Be present in the proper court at the prescribed times, acting in the capacity of liaison officer for the Department when assigned.
  - g. Assist in routing any corrected paperwork to Municipal Court.
  - h. Ensure all persons incarcerated under Municipal ordinance warrants appear in Municipal Court in a timely manner with the correct accompanying documents.
  - i. Be aware of the court calendar and the scheduling of Racine Police Department cases on same calendar.
  - j. Sign all legal documents required for the orderly operation of the courts.
  - k. Notify the Sergeant of Police Courts to cancel a member's court appearance when he/she is no longer needed in court.
  - I. Respond to and carry out any legal orders or directives from the judge of the court.
  - m. Maintain all records germane to the orderly operation of the court and the Racine Police Department responsibilities.
  - n. Return all dispositions of Racine Police Department cases to the required Department Sections.
  - o. Have knowledge of laws and ordinances of the State of Wisconsin and City of Racine.
  - p. Receive all legal documents from the Circuit and Municipal Courts.
  - q. Attempt and/or complete the service of all legal documents to include:
    - 1) Commitments
      - 2) Bench Warrants
      - 3) Criminal Warrants
      - 4) Other Jurisdiction Warrants
      - 5) Ordinance Warrants
      - 6) Apprehension Requests
      - 7) Summons
      - 8) Subpoenas
      - 9) Affidavits of Service
  - r. Be aware of and use all available reference sources to facilitate the successful service of legal documents including, but not limited to:
    - 1) Records
    - 2) Credit Record Bulletin

- 3) City Directory
- 4) Post office or Route Postman
- 5) TTY for Drivers' License Checks
- 6) RAMAC
- 7) Human Services Department
- 8) Racine County Jail
- 9) Probation/Parole Office.
- s. Assume all non-disciplinary duties and responsibilities of the Sergeant of Police Courts when directed to do so.
- t. Perform other duties as assigned.

## **RELATED PROCEDURES**

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