

Greer Police Department General Order 130.1

Agency Jurisdiction

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Chief of Police

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I. GEOGRAPHICAL BOUNDARIES

- A. The Communications Center CAD system has the ability to determine the jurisdiction of any address in Greenville County and addresses in the City Limits in Spartanburg County.
- C. Any questions of jurisdiction should be addressed to the on-duty patrol shift supervisor.
- D. All sworn officers shall familiarize themselves with the boundaries of the City of Greer. Any questions regarding the boundaries of the City of Greer shall be determined by contacting Communications. Telecommunicators will utilize the computer generated map and information to determine jurisdiction.

II. CONCURRENT JURISDICTIONS

- A. Other agencies having jurisdiction within the City of Greer are the Greenville and Spartanburg County Sheriff's Offices, South Carolina Highway Patrol, State Law Enforcement Division (SLED) and federal law enforcement agencies.
- B. All employees of the Greer Police Department will offer complete cooperation when situations arise where these agencies must exercise their authority within the City limits.
- C. Interagency Cooperation
 - 1. Effective law enforcement is not a solitary effort but requires the cooperation and interaction of many agencies. The Greer Police Department supports this concept and will cooperate fully with other agencies in the discharge of these duties.
 - 2. Authority of the Greer Police Department
 - a. Within the City limits, the Greer Police Department will enforce the ordinances of the City of Greer and the laws of the State of South Carolina and will carry out all duties and responsibilities attributed to the Police Department by the South Carolina Code of Laws and the Greer City Code.
 - b. The Greer Police Department will enforce the traffic ordinances of the City of Greer and the traffic laws as denoted in the Code of Laws of the State of South Carolina on all City streets and State highways within the City.
 - c. The Greer Police Department has primary jurisdiction and responsibility in matters concerning Greer City Ordinances within the City limits.
 - 3. The Code of Laws of South Carolina grants county sheriffs general law enforcement authority throughout their respective counties, regardless of the presence of municipal subdivisions.

4. The Code of Laws of South Carolina grants the Highway Patrol and the State Law Enforcement Division (SLED) general law enforcement authority on all state roads and property within the state.
5. Nothing prevents members of the Greenville and Spartanburg County Sheriff's Offices, the Highway Patrol or SLED from taking action in situations which occur in their presence within the City limits.
6. In any situation where a question arises concerning Greer jurisdiction, the responding police officer will make every attempt to resolve the matter in the most professional manner possible. If no amicable solution can be reached, the matter should be handled by this Department in a manner that is in the best interests of the community. A report outlining the situation and means of resolution will be prepared and forwarded through channels to the Chief of Police.

D. Emergency Federal Law Enforcement Assistance

1. In the event of an emergency which, in the opinion of the Chief of Police, requires federal law enforcement assistance, aid will be solicited from the appropriate federal agency.
2. In the event of a criminal offense in which there is concurrent enforcement responsibilities (i.e., bank robberies, drug violations, etc.), the senior on-duty officer may notify the FBI, DEA or other federal agency having concurrent jurisdiction.
3. Contact information is available in the emergency contact file for the following agencies:
 - a. Federal Bureau of Investigation
 - b. United States Secret Service
 - c. United States Marshall's Service
 - d. Drug Enforcement Administration
 - e. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms

E. National Guard Emergency Assistance

An emergency may occur at any time which might necessitate the call out of the South Carolina National Guard. If so, the Chief or his designee must request the call out from the Mayor, or the highest elected official if the mayor cannot be located. The mayor or highest elected official must then request the call out from the Governor's office.

III. MUTUAL AID

- A.** The Greer Police Department may enter into agreements with neighboring agencies to provide law enforcement assistance in emergency situations. Mutual aid agreements are kept on file with the Support Services Captain.

