

# **POLICE COMPLAINT FORM**

## **PC §37.02. Perjury.**

(a) A person commits an offense if, with intent to deceive and with knowledge of the statement's meaning:

- (1) he makes a false statement under oath or swears to the truth of a false statement previously made and the statement is required or authorized by law to be made under oath; or
- (2) he makes a false unsworn declaration under Chapter 132, Civil Practice and Remedies Code.

(b) An offense under this section is a Class A misdemeanor.

(Chgd. by L.1993, chap. 900(1.01), eff. 9/1/94.)

## **PC §37.03. Aggravated perjury.**

(a) A person commits an offense if he commits perjury as defined in Section 37.02, and the false statement:

- (1) is made during or in connection with an official proceeding; and
  - (2) is material.
- (b) An offense under this section is a felony of the third degree.

(Chgd. by L.1993, chap. 900(1.01), eff. 9/1/94.)

## **GC § 614.022. Complaint to be in Writing and Signed by Complainant**

To be considered by the head of a state agency or by the head of a fire or police department, the complaint must be:

- (1) in writing; and
- (2) signed by the person making the complaint.

Added by Acts 1993, 73rd Leg., ch. 268, § 1, eff. Sept. 1, 1993.

## **GC § 614.023. Copy of Complaint to be Given to Officer or Employee**

(a) A copy of a signed complaint against a law enforcement officer, fire fighter, or police officer shall be given to the officer or employee within a reasonable time after the complaint is filed.

(b) Disciplinary action may not be taken against the officer or employee unless a copy of the signed complaint is given to the officer or employee.

Added by Acts 1993, 73rd Leg., ch. 268, § 1, eff. Sept. 1, 1993.

## **43.00 Complaints by Citizens**

It is the policy of the City of Riesel that Citizen Complaints against Officers or Employees must be filed in a timely manner in order to preserve evidence, which may consist of videos, recordings, and or statements. As set forth in the policy concerning Videos, complaints against Officers and or Employees will generally not be considered after a 60 day period has expired. In every case complaints against Officers and Employees must be on the Department Complaint form which is completed in entirety, clearly state the nature of the complaint, and notarized. The Officer or Employee who is the Subject of the Complaint will receive a copy of the complaint in a timely manner, as well as a copy of the written reply explaining action to be taken on the complaint.

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## INSTRUCTIONS

The following form must be filled in completely before any action will be taken on your complaint. All properly filed complaints will be answered only in writing. City Council meetings will not be used as a public forum for complaints against Police Officers. Please allow 30 days to receive an answer to your complaint. You must be specific as to the nature of your complaint. If you are complaining about an incident that is under investigation or is pending hearing or Trial in any court, you will only receive a notice stating "Under Investigation." You may not use one form to complain about multiple incidents. You must fill out a separate form for each incident in question. Please be advised, if this complaint is used to affect the employment of an officer or employee of the city, the officer or employee must be provided with a copy of this complaint and the written answer.

## PERSON MAKING COMPLAINT

\_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name                      First Name                      M.I.                      Sex                      Race                      DOB                      Drivers License#                      State of DL

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address    City    State    Zip    Area Code    Telephone #

## INCIDENT IN QUESTION

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Incident                                      Time of Incident                                      Name of Officer Involved                                      Officer's Employer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Person directly affected by this Incident                      Sex                      Race                      Date of Birth                      Driver's License#                      State of DL

How was this person affected ( Arrested, Citation, Jailed, Injured, Questioned and Released) other \_\_\_\_\_

What is your standing to make this complaint Please Circle one Choice (Person affected, Concerned Citizen, Parent) other \_\_\_\_\_

What did the Officer do that prompted you to make this complaint; (Violated a Law-Be Specific-, Made Illegal Stop, Conducted Illegal Search, Used Profanity, Used Unnecessary Force, Was Rude in dealing with the Public) (Circle One Response)

## WITNESSES THAT HAVE DIRECT KNOWLEDGE OF THIS INCIDENT (IF NONE SO STATE)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name                      First Name                                      M.I.                      Sex                      Race                      DOB                      Drivers License#                      State of DL

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address    City    State    Zip    Area Code    Telephone #

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Last Name                      First Name                                      M.I.                      Sex                      Race                      DOB                      Drivers License#                      State of DL

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**ACTION YOU ARE REQUESTING (TERMINATION, SUSPENSION, WARNING, NONE REQUESTED) Please circle Response**

**Who are you directing this Complaint to: Please Circle One Choice (Chief of Police, City Council, Mayor)**

**Please write a brief narrative of your complaint in the space provided on the back of this form. ANY FALSE STATEMENTS MADE MAY BE SUBJECT TO PROSECUTION UNDER PERJURY, FALSE REPORT OR CIVIL STATUTES. UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THE UNDERSIGNED SWEARS THAT THE FACTS CONTAINED ON PAGE ONE, TWO, AND ALL ATTACHMENTS OF THIS DOCUMENT, ARE WITHIN THEIR PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE AND ARE TRUE AND CORRECT.**

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Signature of Complainant

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