

KENOSHA POLICE DEPARTMENT

POLICY AND PROCEDURE

2.2 Law Enforcement Jurisdiction

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I. PURPOSE

This order establishes the jurisdictional parameters within which an officer may take law enforcement action.

II. POLICY

- A. Officers of the Kenosha Police Department are authorized to take law enforcement action within the geographic limitations of the City of Kenosha. The law enforcement authority is granted pursuant to WI State Statute 62.09(13) and furthered by WI State Statute 968.07.
- B. On duty officers may take law enforcement action outside of the City of Kenosha pursuant to WI. State Statute 175.40 (6)(a). This authority exists only within the State of Wisconsin. An officer may take action only if all of the following conditions are met:
 - 1. The officer is on duty, and is on official business.
 - 2. The officer is taking action that they would be authorized to take under the same circumstances within the City of Kenosha.
 - 3. The officer is responding to any of the following:
 - a. An emergency situation that poses a significant threat to life or of bodily harm.
 - b. Acts that the officer believes, on reasonable grounds, constitutes a felony.
- C. Off Duty officers may not take law enforcement action outside of the City of Kenosha The arrest authority of an off duty Kenosha Police Department Officer, as outlined in Policy 1.13 Off Duty Conduct Powers of Arrest, is restricted to within the City of Kenosha.
 - 1. Nothing in this policy shall be interpreted as an attempt to limit a person's ability to defend oneself or another person as provided by Wisconsin State statute 939.48 Self-defense and defense of others.

III. PROCEDURE

- A. Officers who are On Duty and are on official Kenosha Police Department Business may act in accordance with statutes 175.40 (6)(a) and in conformity with section II. B. (1-3) of this policy and may take law enforcement action including a physical arrest if required.
- B. Officers acting under this policy shall, as soon as possible, notify the law enforcement agency for the jurisdiction acted within.
- C. Officers will cooperate with the outside department and turn the involved persons over to that agency as soon as practical.
- D. Cases involving an arrest outside of the City of Kenosha shall be brought to the attention of Kenosha Police Department supervision as soon as practicable.
- E. Officers will complete an incident report for the Kenosha Police Department, under a department case number, and forward a copy of that report to the agency involved. A copy of the involved reports will be forwarded to the Chief of Police or his/her designee.
- F. For the purposes of civil and criminal liability, officers acting in accordance with the state statue, and this policy, shall be deemed as acting in an official capacity.