# TEXARKANA, TEXAS POLICE DEPARTMENT GENERAL ORDERS MANUAL

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### SECTION 1 PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to require all employees to render aid or summon medical aid for any person injured or claiming injury as a result of a use of force incident.

#### SECTION 2 POLICY

It is the policy of the Department that all employees shall render aid or summon medical aid for any person injured or claiming injury as a result of a use of force incident.

#### SECTION 3 PROCEDURES

- A. If an individual is injured due to an officer's use of force or if the person claims to be injured, the officer shall immediately render aid, transport the injured person to a medical facility, or summon medical aid for the individual. The officer shall immediately notify his supervisor.
- B. A Response to Resistance or Aggression form with a full explanation of the incident shall be submitted by all officers involved in accordance with Directive 6.03.1 and 6.06.1. Photographs will be taken of the injury. The report and the photographs shall be forwarded through the chain of command to the Chief of Police.

## C. 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.