

GENERAL ORDER 1.2.1

Limits of Authority

GENERAL ORDER CROSS-REFERENCE: None.

SUMMARY

Defines the legally mandated authority of Springfield Police Officers.

DISCUSSION

Article XI, Section 2 of the Constitution of Oregon empowers the legal voters of cities and towns to enact and amend municipal charters.

The Springfield Police Department derives its authority under Article II, Section 19, Subsection C of the City of Springfield Charter.

POLICY

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Springfield Police Officers have the following mandated authority:

1. To enforce Federal laws, where such authority has been granted by the Federal government.
2. To enforce all State laws.
3. To enforce all City Ordinances.
4. To serve/execute warrants.
5. To enforce all traffic laws.
6. To preserve public peace and safety within the City of Springfield and the State of Oregon.

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