

Social Media Comment Policy

Welcome to the Spring Hill Kansas Police Department Facebook Page. By posting or commenting on this page, you participate by your own choice, taking personal responsibility for your comments, your username, and any information you provide therein. You further agree to the following terms of use:

Purpose: The Spring Hill Kansas Police Department maintains this page for the purposes of: engaging and interacting with our community; promoting the agency's activities, events, and programs; providing relevant and timely community news, information and events; distribution of crime prevention and public safety tips; urgent notifications of critical incidents which may affect county residents, business owners and visitors; and interacting with those people having an interest in the Spring Hill Kansas Police Department.

Limitation and Acceptance: This page is a limited public forum. The Spring Hill Kansas Police Department welcomes a person's right to express his/her opinion and encourages posters to keep comments applicable and relevant to the topic. The posting of any content or comment on this page by any visitor, follower, subscriber, or reader, constitutes acceptance of the terms of use described in this Policy.

Assistance: Posting requests for law enforcement assistance (emergency or non-emergency) is discouraged and will not guarantee a response by the Police Department or any emergency service provider. In case of an emergency, please dial 911. If you post information related to a crime, you may be placing yourself in a position of becoming a witness and subject to being subpoenaed into court.

Endorsements: *Friending* or *Liking* the Spring Hill Kansas Police Department or an officer or employee of the Police Department does not indicate an endorsement of that person's actions or comments.

A comment posted by a member of the public on the Police Departments page is the opinion of that person only and does not reflect the opinion of the Spring Hill Kansas Police Department. Publication of comments or other postings do not imply endorsement or agreement by the Spring Hill Kansas Police Department with the comment or post. Such comments or other posts do not necessarily reflect the opinions or policies of the Spring Hill Kansas Police Department.

Content, Standards and Moderation of Posted Content: The Spring Hill Kansas Police Department welcomes and encourages relevant, and appropriate, contributions, and comments from visitors. We encourage you to ask questions and share comments on any of our activities and postings.

Our social media team monitors our social media profile and pages but is not responsible for content generated by users. Most comments are accepted, but we are not obligated to respond to comments.

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The Spring Hill Kansas Police Department requires that all posts to this page adhere to Facebook's Community Standards located at <http://www.facebook.com/communitystandards> and Twitters Community Guidelines located at <https://help.twitter.com/en/rules-and-policies/twitter-rules> and reserves the right to report any standards violation to Facebook or Twitter with the intent of Facebook or Twitter taking appropriate and reasonable responsive action.

We use platform-provided content moderation/filtering options to limit obscene content. We will also monitor and remove inappropriate content as defined below, without prior notice, and as soon as possible. We do not discriminate against any views but will remove any posts which violate the Spring Hill Police Department's standards as determined by us in our sole and complete discretion. This material may include, but is not limited to:

- Obscene, or pornographic content and/or language;
- Content that promotes, fosters, or perpetuates discriminatory or harassing behavior on the on the basis of sex, race, creed, color, age, religion, gender, disability, or national origin;
- Defamatory or personal attacks;
- Encouragement of violence or threats to any person or organization;
- Solicitation of commerce, including but not limited to advertising of any business or product for sale;
- Encouragement of illegal activity;
- Content that may tend to compromise the safety or security of the public or public systems;
- Content that violates intellectual property or laws/rights , of any party;
- Harassment or content which constitutes and/or facilitates stalking;
- Comments which may reasonably interfere with, inhibit, or compromise law enforcement investigations, tactics, responses to incidents and/or the safety of law enforcement officers, staff, or identifiable members of the public; or,
- Potentially malicious or destructive files, posts or content containing active or executable files, viruses, spyware, phishing, or the like. If you wish to contest the removal or hiding of your content, or your denial of access to our social media accounts, you may do so by contacting us at police@springhillks.gov or 913-592-2700.

In addition, should you (the end user) be formally charged with a criminal offense or be arrested in connection with a criminal offense, your image and identifying information along with details of the offense may be displayed on our page.

All content on the official Spring Hill Kansas Police Department social media accounts is preserved in context including but not limited to deleted, edited and hidden posts and comments.

By actively using or interacting with our social media outlets, you agree to the above terms.