



FROSTBURG CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

37 BROADWAY, FROSTBURG, MD 21532 ◦ 301-689-3000 (P) 301-687-0642 (F)

Kevin G. Grove
Commissioner of Public Safety

Nicholas J. Costello
Chief of Police

Jurisdiction

I. Purpose:

The purpose of this policy is to identify the jurisdiction of members of the Frostburg City Police Department.

II. Definitions:

- A. **“City Limits”** means the geographic area contained within the corporate boundaries of the City of Frostburg.
- B. **“Jurisdiction”** means the geographic area where a Police Officer is able to full police powers.
- C. **“Police Officer”** means a person holding certification from the Maryland Police Training Commission as a police officer **and** who is employed as such.

III. Policy:

- A. Police Officers of the Frostburg City Police Department will be familiar with their authorized jurisdiction and operate in conformity with the law.

IV. Procedures:

- A. **Jurisdiction Generally.** Police Officers of the Frostburg City Police Department have jurisdiction within the City Limits of the City of Frostburg.
- B. **Jurisdiction Outside City Limits.** A Police Officer outside of the City Limits but still within the State of Maryland is authorized to exercise police authority to make arrests, conduct investigations, and enforce the laws of Maryland when:
 - 1. The Police Officer is participating in a joint investigation with officials from another state, federal, or local law enforcement unit, at least one of which has local jurisdiction;
 - 2. The Police Officer is rendering assistance to another police officer;
 - 3. The Police Officer is acting at the request of a police officer; or



FROSTBURG CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

37 BROADWAY, FROSTBURG, MD 21532 ◦ 301-689-3000 (P) 301-687-0642 (F)

Kevin G. Grove
Commissioner of Public Safety

Nicholas J. Costello
Chief of Police

4. An emergency exists.¹

a. **“Emergency”** means a sudden or unexpected happening or an unforeseen combination of circumstances that calls for immediate action to protect the health, safety, welfare, or property of a person from actual or threatened harm or from an unlawful act.²

5. **EXCEPTION:** Police Officers are strictly prohibited from enforcing the Maryland Motor Vehicle Laws (Transportation Article) outside of their jurisdiction except as authorized by the department’s mutual aid agreements.³

C. Notification Requirements. If a Police Officer makes an arrest, conducts an investigation, or takes enforcement action outside of the officer’s jurisdiction, the following notifications shall be made as required by the Annotated Code of Maryland⁴:

1. the chief of police, if any, or chief's designee, when in a municipal corporation;
2. the Police Commissioner or Police Commissioner's designee, when in Baltimore City;
3. the chief of police or chief's designee, when in a county with a county police department, except Baltimore City;
4. the sheriff or sheriff's designee, when in a county without a county police department;
5. the Secretary of Natural Resources or Secretary's designee, when on property owned, leased, operated by, or under the control of the Department of Natural Resources;
6. the chief of police of the Maryland Transportation Authority or chief's designee, when on property owned, leased, operated by, or under the control of the Maryland Transportation Authority, Maryland Aviation Administration, or Maryland Port Administration;
7. the chief of police of the Department of General Services or the chief's designee, when on property owned, leased, operated, managed, patrolled by, or under the control of the Department of General Services; or

¹ Md. Code Ann., Crim. Proc. §2-102(b) (Most language used under III.B. taken directly from this provision)

² Md. Code Ann., Crim. Proc. §2-101(b)

³ Md. Code Ann., Crim. Proc. §2-101(b)(2)

⁴ Md. Code Ann., Crim. Proc. §2-101(c)(1) (much language in III.C. taken from this provision of the code).



FROSTBURG CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

37 BROADWAY, FROSTBURG, MD 21532 • 301-689-3000 (P) 301-687-0642 (F)

Kevin G. Grove
Commissioner of Public Safety

Nicholas J. Costello
Chief of Police

8. the chief of police of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission for the county in which the property is located, when on property owned, leased, or operated by or under the control of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission; **and**
 9. the Department of State Police barrack commander or commander's designee, unless there is an agreement otherwise with the Department of State Police.
 10. When the police officer participates in a joint investigation with officials from another state, federal, or local law enforcement unit, the police officer shall give the notice required under paragraph (1) of this subsection reasonably in advance.
 11. **Notification Method.** The notification requirements above can be satisfied by notifying the agency through its dispatch or on-duty supervisor.
- D. Fresh Pursuit.** In addition to the provisions above, Police Officers may continue to exercise jurisdiction in the State of Maryland but outside of the City Limits when in Fresh Pursuit.⁵
1. Fresh Pursuit occurs when a Police Officer engages in a continuous pursuit of a suspect without unreasonable delay.⁶
 2. **Subject to the provisions of the Emergency Vehicle Pursuit Operations Policy of the Frostburg City Police Department,** Fresh Pursuit is permitted within Maryland when a Police Officer:
 - i. has probable cause to believe the suspect committed a felony in the Police Officer's Jurisdiction or
 - ii. when a person committed a misdemeanor (including traffic violations) in the presence of the Police Officer in the Police Officer's Jurisdiction.⁷
- E. Out of State Activity.** A Police Officer shall not engage in a pursuit or enforcement activity in a state other than Maryland. A Police Officer should notify the authorities in the foreign state of the matter, serve as professional witnesses, and assist as the laws of that state permit.
- F. City Limits.** The City Limits may be found by viewing:
1. The map at the front desk at the Frostburg City Police Department; or

⁵ Md. Code Ann., Crim. Proc. §2-301(d)

⁶ Md. Code Ann., Crim. Proc. §2-301(b)(1)

⁷ Md. Code Ann., Crim. Proc. §2-301(c)



FROSTBURG CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

37 BROADWAY, FROSTBURG, MD 21532 • 301-689-3000 (P) 301-687-0642 (F)

Kevin G. Grove
Commissioner of Public Safety

Nicholas J. Costello
Chief of Police

2. The Allegany County Government Permits Dashboard map at <https://alleganygis.allconet.org/PermitsDash2/index.html>