

## Police

Q: How do I get in touch with an Officer?

A: If you need an officer for police services call the Jackson County Dispatch center 816-795-1960. For all emergencies call 911. Grain Valley Police are dispatched through the Sheriff's Department dispatch center 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. For administrative inquires, call the Grain Valley Police at 816-847-6250. If no administrative personnel are available, a message can be left. Do not leave messages requesting police response, instead call dispatch at 816-795-1960

Q: When can I get a copy of a report?

A: Generally reports are available 5 – 7 business days after the initial report has been completed by the officer, unless the incident is still under investigation. Contact the department at 816-847-6250 to see if the report is available. There is a fee of \$5.00 for copies of police reports, and you need to fill out the report reproduction request form. It can be downloaded here (insert form for download.)

Q: What are the qualifications to become a police officer?

A: You must be 21 years of age, be a high school graduate, and a Missouri POST Class A License is required ([www.dps.state.mo.us](http://www.dps.state.mo.us)). For more information please see Patrol.

Q: When are the weather sirens tested?

A: Early Warning Sirens will be tested on the first Wednesday of each month at 11:00 AM. Sirens will not be tested during threatening weather. When weather conditions warrant the activation of the Early Warning Siren system, an "all clear" will not be given. Residents need to tune into a local radio or TV channel for information.

Q: Do I need a permit to have a parade or block party?

A: Yes, a Special Event application needs to be completed and approved by Police Administration. Once received the officers are notified. If cones and/or barricades are needed Public Works will also be notified. Please be respectful of surrounding houses or streets. If the Police Department receives complaints of noise or any other disturbance you may be asked to end your event.

Q: How do I set up a Neighborhood Watch Program?

A: Contact the Crime Prevention Unit of Grain Valley Police Department at 816-847-6250 or via e-mail.

Q: If I lock my keys in my car, can an officer help me open it?

A: Officers are not authorized to make entries into vehicles except in emergency situations (i.e. child locked in car). You should call a locksmith, a tow company, or your auto club.

Q: How can I obtain a release for my impounded vehicle?

A: The vehicle will only be released to the registered owner. The vehicle will not be released to an intoxicated person, nor will they be released on an open title. If you are the registered owner, you need to bring your driver's license and proof of ownership (i.e. title) to the police station. Staff will review the paperwork and either sign the release form, or instruct you on the additional needed information you need to pick up your vehicle. The owner of the vehicle is responsible for all towing and storage fees, which must be paid to the tow company prior to release of the vehicle.

Q: When am I required to stop for a school bus?

A: A driver shall stop upon meeting or overtaking from either direction any school bus which has stopped for the purpose of receiving or discharging students or other passengers, signaled by the flashing red lights and stop arm. A driver shall not proceed until the bus resumes motion or until signaled by its driver to proceed.

Q: Is there a curfew?

A: Persons 16 years and younger, unless accompanied by parent or guardian or going to or from employment, shall not be in or upon any public place within the city between the hours of:

11:00 pm – 5:00 AM Sunday through Thursday

Midnight – 5:00 AM Friday and Saturday

There is also a daytime curfew during the school year, if not in school for any reason; they cannot be out in a public place, unless authorized by the school or home schooled.