



# Taylor County

## Board of County Commissioners'

### Policy Manual

Policy #: Title:  
**2010-02**

**Use of Law Enforcement Personnel**

Effective Date:  
**03/01/10**

#### PURPOSE

To provide guidelines for requesting assistance of Law Enforcement Agencies.

#### REFERENCE

#### POLICY

There may be situations where an Animal Control Officer needs the assistance of Law Enforcement in their day to day operations. The following are guidelines for when Law Enforcement may be needed:

1. Known or suspected hostile intention\* from any of the parties involved.
2. Known criminal parties.
3. If a call may turn into a criminal investigation. (Animal Cruelty, Dog Fighting, Illegal activities, etc)
4. Intention of removing animals from their present location with or without the knowledge of the owner. When an owner is present, a LEO will only be called if the owner refuses to release the animal to the ACO.
5. After hours (those normally at night) call outs where the location and/or parties involved are unknown to ACO and/or the ACO may have reason to suspect potentially unsafe or dangerous conditions.

\*Hostile intention may include, but is not limited to, aggressiveness or physical actions, severe verbal abuse, intimidation, etc.

#### RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT

Environmental Services Department – Animal Control

#### SUNSET DATE

Sunset Date: **03/01/2020**