

ARLINGTON COUNTY CODE

Chapter 53

AUXILIARY POLICE FORCE

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§ 53-1. General Policy.

It is hereby declared to be the policy of the County of Arlington, Virginia, to establish, equip and maintain an auxiliary police force for the further preservation of the public peace, safety and good order of the community.
(5-22-76)

§ 53-2. Definitions.

The following words and terms, when used in this chapter, shall have the following meanings unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

“Chief of Police” means the Chief of Police of Arlington County, Virginia, or the designated acting Chief of Police.

“County Manager” means the County Manager of Arlington County, Virginia, or any of his designees.
(5-22-76)

§ 53-3. County Manager May Establish an Auxiliary Police Force.

The County Manager may establish an auxiliary police force, the members of which, when called into service as hereinafter provided, shall have all the powers and authority and all the immunities of constables at common law. The County Manager may appoint as many persons of good character as he shall deem necessary to serve as auxiliary police officers, but the total number of persons comprising the auxiliary police force shall not at any time exceed fifty (50) persons. Each such appointment shall be revocable at any time by the County Manager.
(5-22-76)

§ 53-4. Application for Appointment.

Any person who desires to become an auxiliary police officer shall make application to the County Manager. Upon receipt of the application, the County Manager shall cause an investigation to be made in order to determine whether the applicant is of good character to serve as an auxiliary police officer. Each applicant shall be required to submit to a physical examination, personal interview and such other tests as may be determined by the County Manager.
(5-22-76)

§ 53-5. Calling Auxiliary Police into Service.

A. The County Manager may call into service auxiliary police officers as may be deemed necessary:

1. In time of public emergency;

2. At such times as there are insufficient numbers of regular police officers to preserve the peace, safety, and good order of the community; or

3. At any time for the purpose of training such auxiliary police officers.

B. Auxiliary police officers shall perform in that capacity only when assigned by the County Manager or his designated agent. At all times when serving, the members of the auxiliary police force shall wear the uniform prescribed by the County Manager.

(5-22-76)

§ 53-6. Auxiliary Police Officers to Conform to Rules and Regulations.

Each auxiliary police officer shall conform to and be subject to all the rules and regulations governing police officers of Arlington County, Virginia, including disciplinary regulations, and to such additional rules and regulations as the Chief of Police may make concerning auxiliary police.

(5-22-76)

§ 53-7. Grandfather Clause, Continuation of Employment.

Every person presently serving as an auxiliary police officer on the date of the enactment of this chapter shall continue in that capacity; provided, however, that this grandfather clause shall not exempt any person so continued in the capacity of an auxiliary police officer from any other provision of this chapter.

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