



Town of
Rosendale Police Department

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"Protecting and Serving with Community First"

Terms of Use:

As a communications tool, the Town of Rosendale Police Department utilizes its Facebook Page to raise awareness amongst the Town of Rosendale residents and visitors, community partners, and interested followers of public safety news and information that affects the area surrounding the Town of Rosendale. Emergency or Non-Emergency Requests for Police Assistance:

The posting of requests for police assistance, regardless if it is of an emergency or non-emergency nature, is discouraged and will not guarantee a response by the Town of Rosendale Police Department or any emergency service provider. In case of an emergency, or if police assistance is needed, please dial 911. If you wish to report a crime or information relevant to a crime, please call 845-658-9000. You may remain anonymous if you wish.

In the event 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.

Limited Public Forum:

Social media sites grant RPD an additional opportunity to share its public safety messages with the general public. RPD shall utilize its Facebook Page to post news releases, photos, videos, and important public safety information, including but not limited to Amber Alerts, information about wanted criminals, arrest press releases, road closures, power outages, and other emergency announcements.

Whenever possible, the RPD's social media sites shall comply with all applicable Town of Rosendale Police Department and Town of Rosendale policies and procedures. All social media platforms used by the Town of Rosendale Police Department are designated as Limited Public Forums. The department welcomes a person's right to express his/her opinion and encourages posters to keep comments relevant to the topic in question. Posting of any content on any social media platform used by the Town of Rosendale Police Department, by any visitor, follower, subscriber or fan, constitutes acceptance of the terms of use described here in this policy.

Prohibited Content:

The intended purpose of the RPD's social media sites is to serve as a means of communication between RPD and members of the public. Therefore, information, posts, and comments containing any of the following forms of content shall not be allowed and will be removed from the site.

Profane language or content:

Content that promotes, fosters, or perpetuates discrimination on the basis of race, religion, gender, marital status, family status, national origin, age, mental or physical disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, source of income, or other protected status under applicable law.

- Inappropriate sexual content or links to inappropriate sexual content
- Solicitations of commerce
- Conduct or encouragement of illegal activity
- Private and confidential information
- Information that may tend to compromise the safety and security of the public or public systems
- Content that violates a legal ownership interest of any other party
- Comments in support of or opposition to political campaigns or ballot measures

The Town of Rosendale Police Department disclaims any and all responsibility and liability for any materials or content that the RPD deems inappropriate for posting. RPD shall make efforts to remove said materials in an expeditious or otherwise timely manner, but disclaims liability if circumstances exist that prevent or hinder efforts to remove said materials.

Facebook's Community of Standards:

All comments posted to the RPD Facebook site are bound by Facebook's Community Standards, and the RPD reserves the right to report any violation of Facebook's Community Standards to Facebook with the intent of Facebook taking appropriate and reasonable responsive action.

Disclaimer:

The Town of Rosendale Police Department's does not endorse nor otherwise support or sponsor any advertising that may be posted by the Social Media host (Facebook) on the RPD's site. Facebook Page accounts are privately operated sites and the privacy terms of each respective site apply.

RPD does not guarantee the reliability or accuracy of any third-party links and will make every effort to remove known scams of information phishing sites

RPD reserves the right to remove any comment or conversation that is prohibited by this Social Media Policy.

Denial of Access:

The Town of Rosendale Police Department reserves the right to deny access to any Town of Rosendale Police Department social media sites for any individual, who violates the RPD Social Media Terms of Use, at any time and without prior notice. If you wish to contest the removal or hiding of your content, or your denial of access ("banned") from our social media platforms, you may do so by contacting us at 845-338-2113 and requesting to speak to our social media manager or the Chief of Police.