

WEBER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE		POLICY AND PROCEDURES	
SUBJECT: Juvenile Offender Contact		CHAPTER/SECTION NO.: 31.5	
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31.5 Policy

- 31.5.1 When dealing with juvenile offenders, deputies of this Office will use the least coercive among reasonable alternatives, consistent with preserving order, public safety, and individual liberty. Such alternatives include:
- A. Release On Summons
 - B. Outright release, normally including a verbal warning and may include meeting with parents or guardians, without further action.
 - C. Release to the care of parent or other responsible adult.
- 31.5.2 Outright Release (no citation or referral)
- A. When cases are minor in nature,
 - B. Consideration must be given to concerns and requests of victims,
 - C. The deputy must thoroughly document the circumstances of the case and the rationale for his/her actions in an incident report.
 - D. Appropriate in the following types of cases:
 - 1. Minor traffic offenses
 - 2. Other minor offenses where a juvenile is compliant with instructions and poses little risk of continuing the illegal activity.

- 31.5.3 Release on Summons or Citation Authorized
 - A. Non-felony State traffic laws or other misdemeanor infractions
 - B. Fish and Game Laws
 - C. Parks and Recreation Laws or Regulations
 - D. Municipal or County Ordinances which do not include incarceration as a penalty
- 31.5.4 Release on Summons/Citation to Custody of Parent or Legal Guardian
 - A. May occur for criminal violations that are NOT a forcible felony.
 - B. The deputy will:
 - 1. Explain the charges and court processes to the juvenile and the parent or legal guardian.
 - 2. If the parent or legal guardian cannot be found, take the juvenile to the Archway Juvenile Receiving Center, which will take custody of the juvenile until a parent or legal guardian can respond to take custody of the juvenile.
 - 3. Leave a copy of the summons with the juvenile.
- 31.5.5 Referrals
 - A. D.U.I. and Reckless driving arrests will normally coincide with a referral, or release on citation if evidence gathering is complete and no further jeopardy exists.
 - B. Other Acts that:
 - 1. If committed by an adult would be considered a felony,
 - 2. Involve weapons,
 - 3. Involve serious gang related crimes,

4. Are committed by juveniles on probation or parole, or are⁴ awaiting adjudication on other charges.
- C. Failure to sign a traffic infraction citation may result in arrest and processing of the juvenile according to provisions of WCSO P&P 31.7.1 and 31.7.2.