

Filing A DRUG Or ALCOHOL Related Police Report



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Introduction

We hope you never need to file a police report. However, sometimes crimes that involve the distribution of DRUGS or ALCOHOL do occur and you turn to your local police agency.

This brochure outlines how you file a police report that involves the illegal sale of DRUGS or ALCOHOL, why you should file one, and what happens after you file a report.

It also tries to answer common questions people have when filing police reports.

Why bother making a police report?

There are many reasons to file a police report for the illegal sale of DRUGS or ALCOHOL.

Some of the most common reasons are:

- Helps Police Investigate the Illegal Distribution of DRUGS/ALCOHOL and protect the community.
- Adds new information/leads to on-going investigations Police may not be aware of.
- Contributes to the safety of ALL.

What if I want to remain Anonymous while reporting?

The North Slope Borough Police Department has a TIP-LINE that an ANONYMOUS voice message can be left for Detectives. When calling the TIP-LINE, it is important that ALL the relevant information is provided.

When reporting drug/alcohol activity, it will also help to keep the following in mind:

- To further ensure anonymity, callers can dial *67 before calling any agency or organization. This blocks the number of the caller.
- Reporting activity to Police Dispatch is also an option, but anonymity may be harder to keep.
- It is important to remember, when making a report, you may be asked to provide personal information, but this is completely voluntary. You have the right to remain anonymous if that is what you want.

What to include in your TIP?

Any information you can provide to the authorities that will prevent further drug/alcohol activity is absolutely helpful. The following are a few details that will ensure your anonymous tip is as effective as possible. If you have the information, try to include:

- Did you personally see the activity or hear about it from someone?
- The address where you suspect drug/alcohol activity.
- Full names of the people you believe to be involved.
- Related vehicles—make, model, license plate.
- When people come and go, how long they stay, how often they appear.
- Information about any packages being exchanged.
- If the location is a house, provide the name (or names) of people living there.
- Are there children? Dogs?
- Is there anything else authorities should know about the location?

What if I need to speak directly to an Officer with DRUG or ALCOHOL information?

Unless it is an emergency, community members are able to contact The North Slope Borough Police Department non-

emergency phone line and request to speak with an Officer.

When this call is placed, you should still provide as much information as possible to the Police Dispatcher.

We would like to apologize in advance for any waiting time you may have.

Remember: we haven't forgotten about you!

There are other people in the Police Station. Why can't they take my report?

A police report is considered a legal document. The other people in the police station all have other duties which support police operations.

Am I able to get an update on the information I have shared?

On-going and open cases/investigations are confidential and cannot be shared.

I have called before and asked to speak with an Officer, why does the officer ask so many questions?

We need to get the most accurate information possible to conduct a thorough investigation. We consider information critical that may seem irrelevant.

We also need a way of contacting you if we have any follow-up questions.

What happens after I file a report that involves DRUGS or ALCOHOL?

Our Detective Unit is ready to investigate all DRUG and ALCOHOL related activity reported to the police.

If there is enough suspect information, we can follow-up and attempt to contact the suspect. The more information available, the better for identifying a suspect.

Contact Information

Police Dispatch: 907-852-6111
TIP-LINE: 1-800-478-3784

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Phone: 907-852-0311

Anaktuvuk Pass

Phone: 907-661-3911

Atkasuk

Phone: 907-633-6911

Kaktovik:

Phone: 907-640-6911

Point Hope:

Phone: 907-368-2911

Point Lay:

Phone: 907-833-2911

Nuiqsut:

Phone: 907-480-6911

Wainwright:

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