

## FAQS

### **How do I file a criminal complaint?**

Complaints can be made by telephone 24 hours a day by calling (989) 743-9111. If you have an emergency, dial 9-1-1. The police will be dispatched to your location. You may also file a complaint in person at the Perry Police Department, 203 W Polly St, Perry, MI 48872. Depending on the nature of the complaint an officer may have to be called in off of the road to help you. During non-business hours, you can use the red call box outside the main doors of Perry City Hall to call Shiawassee Central Dispatch.

### **Can I park my vehicle on the street overnight?**

Anyone coming into the city limits will see that there are signs posted on all major roads informing residents and visitors that no parking is allowed on city streets or in city parking lots between 3 a.m. and 6 a.m. This is to assist the various municipal departments in snowplowing, street sweeping, and other maintenance chores. Permission to park between 3 a.m. and 6 a.m. is granted by the Police Department on a case-by-case basis. When there is the need, the Perry City Department of Public Works, who plows city streets, may have a vehicle towed if it obstructs their snow removal responsibilities.

### **What are the Noise Ordinances in Perry?**

#### **670.03 NOISE.**

(a) No person shall make or cause to be made any unnecessary noise, din or loud sound in the City.

(b) Any noise of such a character as to be of actual physical discomfort to persons of ordinary sensibilities shall be construed to be an unnecessary noise, if such noise can be reasonably prevented.

(c) Any noise created by the speeding up in lower gears of any car, truck, tractor, motorcycle, motor bike or other motor vehicle, beyond what is necessary to increase the speed of such motor vehicle sufficiently to orderly shift into the next higher gear, shall be prima-facie evidence of unnecessary noise.

(d) The operation of any such motor vehicle by speeding it up in fast acceleration, shifting quickly from one gear to another and then going only a short distance before slowing down or stopping, or the making of successive fast accelerations, shifting gears quickly and racing the motor only to slow down soon after and immediately repeat the fast acceleration and shifting of gears, shall be prima-facie evidence of the intent to violate this section.

(e) The racing of the motor of any such motor vehicle unnecessarily while such motor vehicle is standing still or is moving but not in gear, or with the clutch out, shall be prima-facie evidence of the intent to violate this section.

(f) The fact that motor vehicles are mentioned prominently in this section shall not be interpreted to mean that this section applies to motor vehicles only. This section shall apply to all types of unnecessary noises.

(g) The following shall be prima facie evidence of unnecessary noise: radios, television sets, musical instruments and similar devices, operating, playing or permitting the operation or playing of any radio, television, phonograph, drum, musical instrument, sound amplifier, or similar device which produces or amplifies sound:

(1) In such manner as to create a noise disturbance across a real property boundary;

(2) In such a manner as to create a noise disturbance at fifty feet, (fifteen meters) from such device, when operated in or on a motor vehicle on a public right-of-way or public space or in a boat on public waters;

(3) In such a manner as to create a noise disturbance to any person other than the operator of the device when operated by any passenger on a common carrier.

(4) Repairing, rebuilding, modifying or testing any motor vehicle, motorcycle or motorboat in such a manner as to cause a noise disturbance across a residential area property boundary, shall be prima facie evidence of unnecessary noise.

(5) This subsection (g) shall be temporarily suspended for the time period of Saturday, June 21, 2014, at 4:00 p.m. to Sunday June 22, 2014 at 12:00 a.m., with July 12, 2014 as an alternate rain date during same time period, in regard to movies conducted on City property at Jubilee Park, provided that the parks and recreation facility use policy shall be adhered to.

(Ord. 109. Passed 9-20-66; Ord. 298. Passed 12-4-07; Unno. Res. Passed 4-3-2014.)

### **What is a Personal Protection Order and how do I get one?**

A personal protection order (PPO) is a court order that can be obtained from a judge. It is available to you if you have suffered or fear abuse related to family violence, dating violence, or stalking. A PPO can provide you with a court order for the abuser to stop the abuse; court order for the abuser to be removed from the home for a specified number of days; a court order forbidding contact between the abuser and the victim. In order to obtain a PPO, you must go to the Shiawassee County Circuit Court located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor at 208 N Shiawassee St, Corunna, 48817.

-If you have been a victim of abuse and do not know what steps to take, start by getting yourself to a place of safety and calling the police. We can help with information and other assistance.

### **If I go on vacation, will the Police check on my house and property?**

Yes! The Perry Police Department is proud to provide this service to its residents.

Please click here

<https://shumakergroup.com/~perrymi/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/FORMvacationCheck.pdf>

Please complete the form and return it to City Hall, fax it to (517) 625-6157, or place it in the drop box outside City Hall.

### **How can I get a copy of an Accident Report or Criminal Complaint?**

You can get a copy of an accident report here:

<https://buycrash.lexisnexisrisk.com/search>

You will need the **date of the accident** and the **report number**. There is a charge for this feature.

For a criminal complaint, you must appear in person at the police department and fill out a Freedom of Information Act request if you are not the victim. Some information may be redacted from reports including but not limited to information on juveniles, addresses, phone numbers, and dates of birth. Depending on the request, there may be a cost.

### **My house has been broken into, what do I do?**

DO NOT ENTER THE HOUSE. **CALL 911 FROM A NEIGHBORS OR USE A CELL PHONE.**

All burglary complaints are assigned to an officer. If possible, have a complete list of items missing, including serial numbers and receipts showing the cost of goods. Provide the officer with the names of possible suspects. If there is broken glass or other items that have potentially been handled by the perpetrator, do not touch or disturb. Notify the officer of this possible evidence.

### **Where and when can I have my fingerprints taken?**

The Perry Police Department does not do fingerprinting. The Shiawassee County Sheriff's Office handles this. Click on the link below to make an appointment.

<https://www.shiawassee.net/Sheriff/FINGER-PRINTS.aspx>

**Can I have the police department check someone else's name to see if they have a record or a warrant?**

Absolutely not. Michigan Law strictly prohibits any police department from sharing information obtained from LEIN or the National NCIC computer system with anyone other than law enforcement personnel. The department could be fined or lose its access to violations of these regulations.

-You can perform a record search through the Michigan State Police using iCHAT (internet Criminal History Access Tool). There is a fee involved.

**Can someone answer a question about the status of my case?**

To inquire about your case, call our office at (517) 625-3535 ext 240 or email the officer who first took the report.

**Can the police open my car if I have locked my keys inside?**

Yes, but be prepared to prove you have legal possession of the vehicle. Due to the potential for damage to some vehicles, you must sign a waiver of liability relinquishing the officer and/or the police department of any responsibility.

-Depending on the circumstances, if a child is locked inside your vehicle, the police department may send a rescue unit to remove the child from the vehicle. Breaking a window may become necessary.

**There is an abandoned vehicle in my parking lot or on my property. Can the police tow it away for me?**

The police department can only have vehicles towed that are on public property. Call a wrecker service in your area to have the vehicle towed away. The wrecker service will notify the owner once they have determined who that may be.

**How can I find out if someone is in jail? Can someone in jail have visitors and during what hours?**

The Perry Police Department does not have a jail. To obtain this information you must contact the Shiawassee County Jail directly at (989) 743-2240.

**How do I apply for a CPL permit?**

CPL packets are available at the Perry Police Department free of charge. The packets must be turned to the County Clerk in the county in which you reside. For more

information see the [Michigan State Police CPL FAQ](#) webpage.

### **Where do I return a Pistol Sales Record?**

For city residents ONLY: You may return your pistol sales record to the Perry Police Department during business hours, M-F, 8a-4p, or the drop box outside the main entrance of City Hall. **Make sure you are a resident or you will need to pick this back up** and take it to the Sheriff's Department. Many people with a Perry zip-code believe they are residents of the City while they are not. If you need to ask, call (517) 625-3535 ext 240 beforehand.

### **How do I obtain a purchase permit to buy a handgun?**

For city residents AND person-to-person sales ONLY: There is no cost but the form does need to be notarized. You will need a valid picture I.D. There is a written test you will need to take and an application that you will need to fill out. It usually takes about 15 minutes to complete the paperwork. A purchase permit is valid for 30 days from the date of issue and must be turned in even if it is not used. If you have been convicted of a felony or have shown a propensity for violence or assaultive behavior, your permit application may be denied.