

Tattoo Policy Condensed, the full policy may be accessed <u>here</u>.

Grayson County Sheriff Office, General Order 2.06A Tattoo's and Body Art

GCSO allows members to display tattoos that have been determined as business appropriate by the Chief Deputy. Members are prohibited from having tattoos on any part of their hands, neck, face, head, eyelids, mouth, and ears with the following exceptions:

- 1. Tattoo of one wedding band on a ring finger;
- 2. Permanent facial make-up on the eyebrows, eyeline, and lips that is business appropriate.
- 3. The Chief Deputy may approve small and/or inconspicuous tattoos that do not diminish or distract from the professional appearance of the member or applicant.

Some tattoos, body art and brands are prejudicial to good order and are prohibited by all members, regardless of visibility. Anything extremist, indecent, sexiest, racist, implies a negative bias toward any group or individual, contrary to law enforcement or contrary to our agency values.

Generally, tattoos on the arms are approved if deemed appropriate by the Chief Deputy and would not be scary to a child victim i.e. skulls or scary clowns.

Beard Policy Condensed, the full policy may be accessed here.

Grayson County Sheriff Office, General Order 2.06 Uniforms and Personal Appearance VIII. C. 1-3

- C. Facial Hair: mustaches, goatees, and beards are permissible (unless participating in Honor Guard duties) within the following guidelines:
 - 1. All facial hair will be neatly trimmed, groomed, and no more than 1/4 inch in length.
 - 2. Members choosing to wear facial hair shall begin the growth during time off.
 - Supervisors will ensure all facial hair is of professional appearance. Any beard, Mustache, or goatee that is uneven in growth, sparse, patchy, and/or untidy in form or appearance is not professional looking and is not authorized. Any facial hair deemed unprofessional will be required to be shaven.

For more information regarding either policy, please contact the Office of Professional Standards at (903) 813-4200 Ext 2550.