



# DPS Sex Offender Registration Authorized User Acknowledgement

Authorized users are defined as users approved by the Department to *access* Sex Offender Registration information in Department of Public Safety (DPS) databases as a part of their job duties. Approved users will receive notification via email along with a User ID and temporary password. The User ID is uniquely assigned to each user of the site and sharing the ID with others is prohibited.

All authorized users must clearly understand any unauthorized retrieval, use, or dissemination of criminal justice information is a violation of state law and can lead to the filing of criminal charges against the authorized user, in addition to the cancellation of access to DPS databases. The following is a copy of Texas Government Code Section 411.085, which describes the criminal penalties related to unauthorized retrieval, use, or dissemination of this information, (referred to as Criminal History Record Information, which includes sex offender registration information):

§ 411.085. Unauthorized Obtaining, Use, or Disclosure of Criminal History Record Information; Penalty

- a. A person commits an offense if the person knowingly or intentionally:
  - 1. obtains criminal history record information in an unauthorized manner, uses the information for an unauthorized purpose, or discloses the information to a person who is not entitled to the information;
  - 2. provides a person with a copy of the person's criminal history record information obtained from the department; or
  - 3. violates a rule of the department adopted under this subchapter.
- b. An offense under Subsection (a) is a Class B misdemeanor, except as provided by Subsection (c).
- c. An offense under Subsection (a) is a felony of the second degree if the person:
  - 1. obtains, uses, or discloses criminal history record information for remuneration or for the promise of remuneration; or
  - 2. employs another person to obtain, use, or disclose criminal history record information for remuneration or for the promise of remuneration.
- d. The department shall provide each person who applies for access to criminal history record information maintained by the department with a copy of this section.

Information regarding security requirements, which must be followed by those who have access to criminal justice information, is found on the DPS Secure Website. These policies were provided to your organization at the time of application for access, and you may obtain another copy from the Department if necessary.

**I acknowledge that I have read the above-mentioned law and policy applicable to my access to confidential sex offender registration information and I understand their provisions. I further acknowledge that I am required to abide by the provisions of the above-mentioned laws and policies.**

Printed Name	Date of Birth	Full SSN	Work E-Mail Address
Mailing : Street or P.O. Box	City	Zip	Phone
Physical: Street	City	Zip	Fax
Agency Name	ORI Number	Signature	

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