

GUIDELINES FOR DOMESTIC ABUSE

1. DEFINITION OF DOMESTIC ABUSE

CRIMES AGAINST THE PERSON, **21 O.S., Chapter 20** ASSAULT and BATTERY, §**644(C)**:

Any person who commits any assault and battery against a current or former spouse, an individual with whom the defendant has had a child, or a person living in the same household as the defendant shall be guilty of **domestic abuse**.

PREVENTION OF PUBLIC OFFENSES, **22 O.S., Chapter 2** PROTECTION FROM DOMESTIC ABUSE, §**60.1**:

As used in the Protection from Domestic Abuse Act and in the Domestic Abuse Reporting Act, §40.5 through 40.7 of Title 22 and Section 150.12B of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes:

Subsection 1. **“Domestic abuse”** means any act of physical harm, or the threat of imminent physical harm which is committed by an adult, emancipated minor, or minor children thirteen (13) years of age or older against another adult, emancipated minor or minor child who are **family or household members** or who are or were in a **dating relationship**.

Subsection 4. **“Family or household members”** means (a) spouses (b) ex-spouses, (c) present spouses of ex-spouses, (d) parents, including grandparents, stepparents, adoptive parents and foster parents; (e) children, including grandchildren, stepchildren, adopted children and foster children; (f) persons otherwise related by blood or marriage, (g) persons living in the same household or who formerly lived in the same household, and (h) persons who are the biological parents of the same child, regardless of their marital status, or whether they have lived together at any time. This shall include the elderly and handicapped.

Subsection 5. **“Dating relationship”** means a courtship or engagement relationship. For purposes of the Protection of Domestic Abuse Act, a casual acquaintance or ordinary fraternization between persons in a business or social context shall not constitute a dating relationship.

2. DATE OF OCCURENCE—the date the offense occurred or was reported.
3. TIME OF OCCURENCE—the time the offense occurred or was reported (in military time).
The time must be present on each entry.
4. CODE—Use the definition on the form to indicate the type of offense (A, B, C, D).
5. Offenses that qualify for Part I crimes **must** also be entered on the UCR report.
6. Submit a monthly report, even if it is a negative report.
7. Make sure all departmental information is filled out, including month and year.