

Terms of Use for Athens County Social Media Channels

Official social media page/s of the Athens County Departments/offices, including but not limited to facebook. These pages are meant to present matters of public interest for the County, including its many residents, businesses and visitors. Some Athens County social media page/s also allows for two way communication between members of the public and the Athens County departments/offices. Before you post on any Athens County page, please review the following Terms of Use. Commenting on any posts on an Athens County social media page constitutes acceptance of these Terms of Use.

This page should not be used to report crimes in progress or emergencies. If you have an emergency, dial 911 immediately. If you are reporting a crime in progress that is not an emergency, please call Athens County Sheriff at 740-593-6633.

If you post information on this page regarding criminal activity, you COULD become a witness, for any criminal proceedings that result from information you provide. Facebook users who post about their involvement in any criminal activity may be subject to criminal prosecution. "Liking" between any Athens County departments/offices and social media pages does not indicate an endorsement of content on that user's social media page.

Posts and Comments by other social media users on the Athens County departments/offices page are not to be considered the opinion of the Athens County, nor does the Athens County endorse any third party comments on this page unless explicitly specified.

Post Removal Policy

Once posted, the County reserves the right to delete submissions that contain any of the following. The Athens County departments/offices will remove as soon as feasible any posting that involves:

- Advertisements of any kind, post that promote particular services, products, or political organizations
- Profane, vulgar language or content.
- Personal attacks of any kind. Content that promotes, fosters, or perpetuates discrimination on the basis of race, creed, color, age, religion, gender, marital status, status with regard to public assistance, national origin, physical or mental disability, or sexual orientation.
- Explicit or implied sexual content.
- Conduct implying, promoting, or encouraging illegal activity.
- Information that might compromise the safety or security of the public.
- Information that might compromise the safety or security of law enforcement.
- Any other posting that, by its nature or content, might harm public welfare.
- Content that infringe on copyrights or trademarks.
- Comments clearly off topic *Comments/posts that are repetitive *Comments/posts that contain hyperlinks to external websites *Comments on post/photos that do not pertain to the page post (off-topic).

The Athens County departments/offices also reserves the right to remove any user's posting ability if there are repeated violations of these Terms of Use, or if the offense is severe.