

**TITLE 11: PEACE AND SAFETY  
CHAPTER 4: INTERFERENCE WITH PUBLIC OFFICERS**

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**11-4-1: DEFINITIONS**

**Emergency Management Worker**

Emergency Management Worker includes the following: 1) Any person, paid or unpaid, who is a member of a local or county emergency services and disaster agency as defined by the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, or who is an employee of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency or the Federal Emergency Management Agency, 2) Any employee or volunteer of the American Red Cross, 3) Any employee of a federal, State, county, or local government agency assisting an emergency services and disaster agency, the Illinois Emergency Management Agency, or the Federal Emergency Management Agency through mutual aid or as otherwise requested or directed in time of disaster or emergency, and 4) Any person volunteering or directed to assist an emergency services and disaster agency, the Illinois Emergency Management Agency, or the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

**Firefighter**

Any individual, either as an employee or volunteer, of a regular constituted fire department of a municipality or fire protection district who performs firefighting duties, including, but not limited to the fire chief, assistant fire chief, captain, engineer, driver, ladder person, hose person, pipe person, and any other member of a regularly constituted fire department. Firefighter also means a person employed by the Office of the State Fire Marshal to conduct arson investigations.

**Identification Card**

A document made or issued by or under the authority of the United States Government, the State of Illinois or any other state or political subdivision thereof, or any governmental or quasi-governmental organization that, when completed with information concerning the individual, is of a type intended or commonly accepted for the purpose of identifying the individual.

**Legal Name**

The full given name and surname of an individual as recorded at birth, recorded at marriage, or deemed as the correct legal name for use in reporting income by the Social Security Administration or the name as otherwise established through legal action that appears on the associated official document presented to the Illinois Secretary of State. "Personally identifying information" means information that identifies an individual, including his or her identification card number, name, address and telephone number. (Ord. 11-3206-28, Eff. 6/13/11)

## **Peace Officer**

Any person by virtue of his office or public employment is vested by law with a duty to maintain public order or to make arrests for offenses, whether that duty extends to all offenses or is limited to specific offenses or any person who, by statute, is granted and authorized to exercise power similar to those conferred upon any peace officer employed by a law enforcement agency of this State.

### **11-4-2: RESISTING OR OBSTRUCTING A PEACE OFFICER OR A FIREFIGHTER**

It is unlawful for a person to knowingly resist or obstruct the performance by one known to the person to be a peace officer or a firefighter of any authorized act within his or her official capacity commits an offense.

### **11-4-3: OBSTRUCTING IDENTIFICATION**

It is a violation of this Code for any person to intentionally or knowingly furnish a false or fictitious name, residence address or date of birth to a peace officer who has:

- A. Lawfully arrested the person;
- B. Lawfully detained the person; or
- C. Requested the information from a person that the peace officer has good cause to believe is a witness to a criminal offense. (Ord. 11-3206-28, eff. 6/13/11)

### **11-4-4: UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF FRAUDULENT, FICTITIOUS OR ALTERED IDENTIFICATION**

It is a violation of this Code for any person to knowingly possess, display, or cause to be displayed any fraudulent, fictitious or unlawfully altered identification card. (Ord. 11-3206-28, Eff. 6/13/11)

### **11-4-5: REFUSING TO AID AN OFFICER:**

Whoever upon command refuses or knowingly fails reasonably to aid a person known by him or her to be a peace officer in:

- A. Apprehending a person whom the officer is authorized to apprehend; or
- B. Preventing the commission by another of any offense, commits an offense.

### **11-4-6: OBSTRUCTING SERVICE OF PROCESS**

A person commits the offense of obstructing service of process when he or she knowingly resists or obstructs the authorized service or execution of any civil or criminal process or order of any court.

### **11-4-7: OBSTRUCTING AN EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT WORKER**

A person who knowingly obstructs the performance, by one known to the person to be an emergency management worker, of any authorized act within his or her official capacity. (6-28, Eff. 6/13/11)

### **11-4-8: PENALTY**

Any person violating any provisions of this Chapter shall be subject to the fine set forth in the Comprehensive Fine/Penalty Schedule of the Code described in Title 1, Chapter 17.