



## Person County, NC Government Social Media Comment Policy

Social Media is used by Person County to encourage awareness about our programs, services, projects, events, activities, and other matters of public interest. Our social media sites permit public comments and shall be subject to the following guidelines:

- Views and opinions expressed are those of the authors and do not reflect those of Person County Government officials and employees.
- People who comment shall not expect privacy. Comments are public records retained and subject to disclosure following applicable laws and County policies.
- County social media policies are subject to amendment or modification at any time.
- Public users should not use the site for emergency communications or when another form of notification or request is required.

The following **Rules of Use** apply to all County social media sites:

This site is a moderated discussion site and is subject to North Carolina public record and e-discovery laws. Person County reserves the right to delete or hide submissions that violate these Rules of Use. All comments on this site must pertain to items within the jurisdictional control or authority of the County. The following are examples of unacceptable content. This list is not intended to be all-inclusive:

- Any comments or content that does not relate to the jurisdiction or authority of the County.
- Profane or obscene language as determined by this social media platform's profanity filters (such posts will be blocked through the platform's profanity filter).
- Content that promotes, fosters, or perpetrates discrimination based on race, color, sex, national origin, religion, disability, age, genetic information, military or veteran status, or any other classification protected by applicable Federal, State, and local laws.
- Solicitations of commerce and/or content containing gratuitous links (links to other relevant governmental webpages or official government sites are acceptable).
- Promotions or content related to political organizations of any type.
- Advocation of illegal activity, services, or products or those that compromise the safety or security of the public.
- Infringement on intellectual property.
- Confidential or non-public information, including but not limited to, personally identifiable information, and content that violates the legal rights of the owner of said content.
- Information that may compromise the security of public systems, including uploading files that contain viruses or corrupted files or any criminal/civil investigations, or violate this social media platform's Terms of Use.

Any comments that are blocked, hidden, or removed shall be retained as required by North Carolina law.