



# Clear Creek County Sheriff's Office

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Effective 9/6/2021:

Pursuant to C.R.S. §16-4-102, the Sheriff's Office will be required by law to release someone from custody within 6 hours of them posting bond, including PR bonds, with some exceptions, i.e. suicidal parties, intoxicated without a sober person to take them, certain medical conditions, etc.

Bonds may be posted using cash, money order, Cashier's check, or credit card. Money Orders or Cashier's checks may be made out to the holding county (Clear Creek County).

Before the bond is posted, the Sheriff's Office will give to the surety, if any, and or the defendant, a copy of a notice explaining how to make a complaint about any violations of the bonding process, as detailed within this document.

After posting bond the surety, if any, and the defendant, shall receive a copy of the bond paperwork which will include the date and time of the next court hearing.

After posting of a bond the defendant will be released from jail, if extenuating circumstances exist, including inclement weather, no transportation or no shelter, the person may remain in the Sheriff's Office lobby. Under no circumstances will they be kept in the jail more than 6 hours.

If the person is not released with the 6 hour period, the jail must inform the surety, if any, and the defendant of the reason for the delay. This will also be documented in the defendants jail file.

If the court should order electronic monitoring (usually an ankle monitor) for the defendant, then the 6 hour time limit does not apply. This shall also be documented in the defendants jail file.

No person shall remain in jail because they cannot pay the bonding fee, booking fee, or any other fee, however the defendant's jail account shall be debited those amounts. **Also, a surety can NEVER be asked to pay a bonding fee.**

If the bond is paid by credit card, the person paying the bond, including the defendant, can refuse to pay the maximum \$10.00 bonding fee, or the maximum 3.5% credit card fee. If it is the defendant, then their jail account will be debited for the amount.

Bond payments are to be made out to the holding county (CLEAR CREEK COUNTY), and are NEVER to be made out to the defendant.

**A Surety may never be asked if the money posted may be used to pay the defendant's debts.** If a defendant posts their own bond with their own funds, they may be asked if they would like to VOLUNTARILY use the funds to pay their debts. This is not mandatory on the part of a defendant, but voluntary.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Rick Albers", is written over a horizontal line.

Rick Albers, Sheriff

