

**Ogden City Police Policy Manual**  
**Excerpts from Policy 23-Authorized Uniform and Equipment**

J. Jewelry, Body Piercing and Tattoos

Conservative watches and rings may be worn with all uniforms. Female officers or CSOs may wear conservative, stud style earrings, one per ear; however, larger or ring style earrings, or more than one per ear are prohibited with duty uniforms as they have a higher potential for injury to female officers engaged in uniform police work. Male officers will not wear any earrings. No necklaces, medallions, or other jewelry items will be worn exposed.

All OPD employees will be governed by the following: body piercing, jewelry and tattoos will not be visible at any time with the OPD uniform or at any time while representing the Ogden Police Department at training, court or in any on-duty status, regardless of location, job or assignment. The only exception is the performance of an on-duty physical fitness test for department purposes of annual or promotional testing. "Representing the Ogden Police Department" includes any off-duty employment that involves use of police authority granted under employment with the Ogden Police Department, any off-duty employment where the police vehicle is utilized and/or the uniform or any markings indicating employment with the Ogden Police Department are utilized, or any off-duty employment where the officer is identified as an Ogden Police officer for the purpose of credibility in the employment, e.g. teaching at any of the Law Enforcement Academies or institutions of higher learning. For the purpose of this policy, "visible" means that while wearing the uniform or clothing appropriate within Policy 23, engaged in any of the activities governed by this policy and standing upright with arms down at the side, the tattoo is not visible. The occasional display of the tattoo due to various body or arm positions during the performance of duties is not a violation of this policy.

Officers who have tattoos that may violate this policy and that were placed on the officer prior to February 1, 2005, may apply to the Chief's Office for a waiver to this policy. Tattoos applied after this date will be governed by this policy with no exceptions. Ogden Police Department members of the Weber Morgan Narcotics Strike Force are under the jurisdiction of the Strike Force's policy during the time of their assignment, but must keep in mind that they will be governed by this policy upon their return to Ogden Police Department assignments.