

SPLASH ALERT

Trespass Arrest Authorization Form



Per California Penal Code 602, a Trespass Arrest Authorization Form (TAAF) grants local law enforcement the authority to take necessary action, verbal warning, or issuance of a citation, against an unauthorized person who may be trespassing on agency property without the need of an agency representative being present. This allows for a speedier resolution by eliminating the need for law enforcement to first contact the agency.

The JPIA encourages our members to review and consider signing its local law enforcement's TAAF for agency locations where "No Trespassing" signs are present and especially important for vacant sites, high transient areas, facilities with graffiti, or where general trespass typically occurs.

Having a TAAF on file may reduce the risk of theft, vandalism, and property damage. TAAFs assist law enforcement with communicating unauthorized entry on an agency's property. A TAAF may send a message to repeat offenders who quickly learn that a site has a higher risk of law enforcement response.

Risk reduction techniques to prevent theft, vandalism, or property damage are a JPIA Commitment to Excellence Program, **Infrastructure** loss reduction best practice.

By completing a Trespass Arrest Authorization Form in your city or county, it provides an additional safeguard for agency property. Check your local jurisdiction for specific forms and filing procedures. By authorizing law enforcement in advance to act on the agency's behalf, it ensures that agency property is better protected.



Resources

[CA Penal Code 602](#)

Examples of Trespass Arrest Authorization Forms

[Bakersfield](#)

[Butte County](#)

[City of Los Angeles](#)

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