

**76-12a16. Security police officers; employment; powers of peace, police and law enforcement; classified civil service; rules and regulations concerning badges.** The secretary for aging and disability services may authorize any superintendent to employ security police officers at the institution of which such person is superintendent. All such security police officers shall be in the classified service of the Kansas civil service act. Such security police officers are hereby vested with the power and authority of peace, police and law enforcement officers anywhere within the county in which the institution is located for which the security police officer is employed, when wearing and publicly displaying the badge of office prescribed hereunder. The secretary shall adopt rules and regulations prescribing the badge of office of security police officers at institutions and when and where any such badge may be displayed. Within the limitations of this act and any such rules and regulations, the superintendent of each institution, with the approval of the director, shall direct and supervise the activities of security police officers at the institution of which such person is superintendent. In accordance with this act, such rules and regulations and such direction and supervision, security police officers shall enforce state laws, rules and regulations of the secretary, policies applicable to the institution and city ordinances. The power of arrest of a security police officer shall extend to the state laws and city ordinances the security police officer is directed to enforce.

**History:** L. 1973, ch. 372, § 2; L. 1973, ch. 373, § 6; L. 1993, ch. 60, § 1; L. 2014, ch. 115, § 418; July 1.