

Chapter: Agency Supports and Controls
Rule: Texas Administrative Code

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(a) **Policy.**

The Texas Youth Commission (TYC) complies with the Texas Administrative Procedure and Texas Register Act (APTRA) for publishing and implementing rules and procedures in the Texas Administrative Code.

(b) **Rules.**

(1) **APTRA Compliance.**

In compliance with APTRA, the Texas Youth Commission:

- (A) indexes and makes available for public inspection all rules and all other written statements of policy or interpretations formulated, adopted, or used for TYC functions;
- (B) indexes and makes available for public inspection all final orders, decisions, and opinions, consistent with other TYC policies and state law; and
- (C) provides for public participation in the formal rule making process.

(2) **Publication Requirements.**

- (A) Communications concerning internal management or organization which do not affect private rights or procedure are not subject to publication requirements of the APTRA.
- (B) Communications which change policies and rules of general applicability or interprets or prescribes policy or practice other than internal management or organizational change are subject to requirements of the APTRA.

(3) **Policy and Rule Changes.**

- (A) New and revised nonemergency policies and rules, which are subject to APTRA, are published according to requirements and are not effective until the official effective date established by the Texas Register.
 - (B) New and revised policies and rules, which are subject to APTRA, and which are communicated by executive notice or administrative memo to alleviate an emergency situation of imminent peril to the public health, safety, or welfare, are published in the Texas Register under emergency adoption of a rule procedures and are effective on filing.
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