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Juvenile Arrest Procedures

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According to Minnesota State Statutes, juveniles under the age of 10 cannot commit a crime.

This means that juveniles under the age of 10 cannot be:

- arrested;
- issued a citation;
- placed in secured detention at the Juvenile Unit or JDC;
- fingerprinted or photographed.

Juveniles under the age of 10 may be detained to conduct an investigation.

Juveniles under 10 years of age shall be taken into custody if a parent/legal guardian cannot be located. Officers shall contact First Response to determine where the child can be placed. A CAPRS report shall be completed for the offense, to include whom the child was released to and/or the facility that the child was transported to.

Cases in which a juvenile under 10 years of age is listed as a suspect will be referred to the Hennepin County Attorney's Office with an accompanying Hennepin County Attorney "Delinquent Under 10 Referral Form". These forms can be obtained through the Juvenile Unit or Hennepin County Attorney's Office.