

TITLE 1

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Chapter 1. Codification

Part 1. Name and Structure

1. As provided in the 2001 Constitution of the Crow Tribe, the official name of the laws of the Crow Tribe is the “Crow Law and Order Code.”
2. The Crow Law and Order Code will contain all general law which governs the conduct of persons or affects the general welfare of persons within the exterior boundaries of the Crow Reservation. “Persons” includes individuals, corporations, governmental agencies, and any other organizational entity unless otherwise specified.
3. The Crow Law and Order Code may be cited using the abbreviation “CLOC”.
4. References to the “Code” will mean the CLOC, unless otherwise clearly indicated.
5. The organization structure of the CLOC will be: Title, Chapter, Part, Section, Subsection.
6. The standard numerical structure of the CLOC will be, for example: 1.1.1.1.1 to indicate Title 1, Chapter 1, Part 1, Section 1, Subsection 1.

Part 2. Effects

1. Subject only to Constitutional review, the Crow Law and Order Code is the controlling law of the Crow Nation.
2. The Crow Law and Order Code shall include all laws which are intended to govern the conduct or to affect the general welfare of persons within the exterior boundaries of the Crow Reservation.

Part 3. Development of the Law

1. As provided in the 2001 Constitution of the Crow Tribe, the Crow Tribal Legislature is the body responsible for enacting provisions of the Crow Law and Order Code.
2. Acts of the Legislature which are intended to govern the conduct of persons or to affect the general welfare of persons within the exterior boundaries of the Crow Reservation will be presented as bills for legislative action.
3. Bills which are enacted by the Legislature and approved, either by the Chairman or by the people after constitutional referendum, will be incorporated in and become part of the Crow Law and Order Code.
4. Acts, resolutions, statements or other expressions of the Legislature which are not incorporated in the Crow Law and Order Code shall have only the limited effect intended upon their adoption.

Part 4. Incorporation in the Code

1. When a bill is enacted by the Legislature, it is submitted to the Chairman of the Executive Branch for final approval or veto.
2. Upon approval by the Chairman, the legislation will be transmitted within five working days to the Secretary of the Legislature by the Chairman.
3. On receipt of approved legislation, the Secretary of the Legislature will, within five working days, transmit a copy bearing the signatures of the Secretary of the Legislature and the Chairman of the Executive Branch to the Chief Judge of the Crow Tribal Court and to the Crow Tribe’s Legal Department.
4. Annually, on or before December 1, the Secretary of the Legislature will cause the Crow Tribal Law and Order Code to be updated to include codification of all approved legislation and will ensure that the updated CLOC is readily available to the public.

Chapter 2. Procedure for Joint Action Resolutions

Part 1. When authorized.

1-2-101. When Authorized. Joint Action Resolutions are authorized when:

a) the Crow Tribal Constitution requires approval by the Legislature of actions proposed by the Executive Branch

i) pertinent to the sale, disposition, lease or encumbrance of Tribal lands, interests in lands or mineral assets;

ii) to approve or disapprove an annual budget prepared by the Executive Branch; and

iii) to approve or disapprove limited waivers of sovereign immunity by the Executive Branch of Government when waivers are necessary for business purposes; or

b) it is in the best interest of the Apsaalooke (Crow) Nation for the Legislative Branch and the Executive Branch to act jointly on a matter which is not an amendment or addition of statutory general law which must be included in the Crow Law and Order Code.

Part 2. How Presented.

1-2-101. How Presented. A joint action resolution may be proposed by the Legislature or the Executive Branch fifteen (15) days prior to a regularly scheduled session of the Legislature.

1-2-102. Form of Joint Action Resolution. A Joint Action Resolution will be submitted in writing in substantially the following form:

(Month and Year) CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE

JOINT ACTION RESOLUTION NO. _____

INTRODUCED BY (CHAIRMAN, CROW TRIBAL EXECUTIVE BRANCH) (CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE) (OR BOTH)

JOINT ACTION RESOLUTION OF THE CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE AND THE CROW TRIBAL EXECUTIVE BRANCH ENTITLED:

“[TITLE]”

WHEREAS, ...

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CROW TRIBAL LEGISLATURE AND THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH:

“[RESOLUTION]”

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that this Joint Action Resolution was duly approved by the Crow Tribal Legislature with a vote of _____ in favor, _____ opposed, and _____ abstained, and that a quorum was present on this _____ day of _____, 2____.

Speaker of the House
Crow Tribal Legislature

ATTEST:

Secretary, Crow Tribal Legislature

EXECUTIVE ACTION

I hereby
_____ approve
_____ veto

this Joint Action Resolution pursuant to the authority vested in the Chairman of the Crow Tribe by Article V, Section 8 of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Crow Tribe of Indians, on this ____ day of _____, 2____.

Chairman
Crow Tribal Executive Branch