

## TITLE 7. PUBLIC PEACE, MORALS, AND WELFARE

### Chapter 7.10

#### FRAUD

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**7.10.1. Definitions.** The following definitions and the definitions of this section are applicable in this chapter unless the context otherwise requires:

(a) "Written instrument" means:

(1) Any paper, document, or other instrument containing written or printed matter or its equivalent; or

(2) Any credit card, as defined in §7.9.1(c), token, stamp, seal, badge, trademark, or other evidence or symbol of value, right, privilege, or identification.

(b) "Complete written instrument" means one which is fully drawn with respect to every essential feature thereof.

(c) "Incomplete written instrument" means one which contains some matter by way of content or authentication but which requires additional matter in order to render it a complete written instrument.

(d) To "falsely make" a written instrument means to make or draw a complete or incomplete written instrument which purports to be authentic but which is not authentic either because the ostensible maker is fictitious or because, if real, he or she did not authorize the making or drawing thereof.

(e) To "falsely complete" a written instrument means to transform an incomplete written instrument into a complete one by adding or inserting matter without the authority of anyone entitled to grant it.

(f) To "falsely alter" a written instrument means to change without authorization by anyone entitled to grant it a written instrument whether complete or incomplete by means of erasure, obliteration, deletion, insertion of new matter, transposition of matter, or in any other manner.

(g) "Forged instrument" means a written instrument which has been falsely made, completed, or altered. (Res. 93-025 (part), passed Mar. 8, 1993)

**7.10.2. Fraud.** (a) A person is guilty of fraud if he or she obtains something of value by willful misrepresentation or deceit or by the intentional use of false weights or measures.

(b) Fraud is a gross misdemeanor. (Res. 93-025 (part), passed Mar. 8, 1993)

**7.10.3. Forgery.** (a) A person is guilty of forgery if with intent to injure or defraud:

(1) He or she falsely makes, completes, or alters a written instrument; or

(2) He or she possesses, utters, offers, disposes of, or puts off as true a written instrument which he or she knows to be forged.

(b) Forgery is a felony. (Res. 93-025 (part), passed Mar. 8, 1993)

**7.10.4. Obtaining a Signature by Deception or Duress.** (a) A person is guilty of obtaining a signature by deception or duress if by deception or duress and with intent to defraud or deprive, he or she causes another person to sign or execute a written instrument.

(b) Obtaining a signature by deception or duress is a felony. (Res. 93-025 (part), passed Mar. 8, 1993)

**7.10.5. Criminal Impersonation.** (a) A person is guilty of criminal impersonation if he or she:

(1) Assumes a false identity and does an act in his or her assumed character with intent to defraud another or for any other unlawful purpose; or

(2) Pretends to be a representative of some person or organization or a public servant and does an act in his or her pretended capacity with intent to defraud another or for any other unlawful purpose.

(b) Criminal impersonation is a gross misdemeanor. (Res. 93-025 (part), passed Mar. 8, 1993)

**7.10.6. Unauthorized Use of Tribal Identification Card.** (a) A person is guilty of unauthorized use of a tribal identification (ID) card if:

(1) He or she is an enrolled member of the Suquamish Tribe and he or she loans his or her tribal ID card to another person not legally entitled to the benefits of Suquamish tribal membership; or

(2) He or she is not legally entitled to the benefits of Suquamish tribal membership and he or she uses the ID card of a member of the Suquamish Tribe.

(b) Unauthorized use of a tribal ID card is a gross misdemeanor. (Res. 93-025 (part), passed Mar. 8, 1993)

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All Arabic numerals (1, 2, 3, etc.) used as subsection headings have been changed to lower case letters (a, b, c, etc.)

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