# **Tex. Gov’t Code § 2054.52007**

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**Sec. 2054.52007. Department Powers and Duties. [Expires September 1, 2025]**

**(a)** The department shall:

**(1)** approve the incident response tools the incident response team may use in responding to a cybersecurity event;

**(2)** establish the eligibility criteria an individual must meet to become a volunteer;

**(3)** develop and publish guidelines for operation of the incident response team, including the:

**(A)** standards and procedures the department uses to determine whether an individual is eligible to serve as a volunteer;

**(B)** process for an individual to apply for and accept incident response team membership;

**(C)** requirements for a participating entity to receive assistance from the incident response team; and

**(D)** process for a participating entity to request and obtain the assistance of the incident response team; and

**(4)** adopt rules necessary to implement this subchapter.

**(b)** The department may require a participating entity to enter into a contract as a condition for obtaining assistance from the incident response team. The contract must comply with the requirements of Chapters 771 and 791.

**(c)** The department may provide appropriate training to prospective and approved volunteers.

**(d)** In accordance with state law, the department may provide compensation for actual and necessary travel and living expenses incurred by a volunteer on a deployment using money available for that purpose.

**(e)** The department may establish a fee schedule for participating entities receiving incident response team assistance. The amount of fees collected may not exceed the department’s costs to operate the incident response team.

**History**

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