



ACTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

DEPARTMENT MANUAL; P&P: Administration		
POLICY & PROCEDURE # 4.01	DATE OF ISSUE: 02/28/2019	EFFECTIVE DATE: 03/08/2019
SUBJECT: OATH OF OFFICE	ISSUING AUTHORITY: Chief Richard Burrows	
REFERENCE(S): Massachusetts Police Accreditation Commission # 26.0.1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEW <input type="checkbox"/> AMENDS <input type="checkbox"/> RESCINDS	

I. POLICY

Prior to assuming sworn status, all personnel appointed as Police Officers to the Acton Police Department shall appear before the Town Clerk or his/her designated representative and take and subsequently abide by the following Oath of Office to enforce the law and uphold the United States Constitution or basic law of the land, and where applicable, those of governmental subdivisions. This original document is to be kept in the personnel file, and a copy is to be given to the officer. **[26.0.1]**

II. PROCEDURE

- A. Upon being appointed to the position of Police Officer by the Town Manager, all newly appointed officers shall, as soon as possible and prior to assuming duties, report to the Town Clerk or his/her designated representative to take the Oath of Office.
- B. This original document is to be kept in the personnel file, and a copy is to be given to the Town Clerk and officer.

OATH OF OFFICE INFORMATION

History: **Manual I, Section I.**

OATH OF OFFICE:

I, _____, do solemnly swear that I will bear true faith and allegiance to, and will up-hold, and defend, the “Constitution of the United States of America”, and the “Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts”, and that I will fairly and equitably execute the laws thereof, within the extent of my authority and jurisdiction, (So help me God.)

I, _____, do solemnly swear that I will faithfully and impartially discharge, and perform all of the duties incumbent on me as a Police Officer of the Acton Police Department, and I will obey, and be bound by such rules and regulations as now are, or may be, from time to time, established for the Government of the Town of Acton Police Department, (So help me God.)

I, _____, hereby accept the position of Police Officer, in and for the Acton Police Department, of the Town of Acton.

Given this _____ day of _____, 20____

Name of Officer

Chief of Police

Appointing Authority / Town Manager

ATTEST: _____

Town Clerk

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