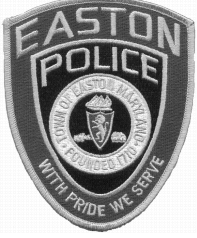


**EASTON POLICE DEPARTMENT  
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER  
CHAPTER 1  
MISSION STATEMENT, VALUES, OATH OF OFFICE, CODE OF CONDUCT**

	Title: <b>Oath of Office</b>		Number: <b>01-2</b>
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Authority: _____ <div style="text-align: center;">Chief of Police</div>			Total Pages: <b>2</b>

**2-1.0 PURPOSE**

The purpose of this General Order is to establish the Oath of Office to be taken by all sworn members of the Department.

**2-1.1 DEFINITIONS/ABBREVIATIONS**

None

**2-1.2 FORMS**

None

**2-1.3 POLICY**

Prior to assuming sworn status, police officers will take and subsequently abide by an oath of office, to enforce the laws of the Town, County, State and Federal governments, to support the Constitution of the United States and the State of Maryland.

**2-1.4 PROCEDURE**

1. The Mayor of Easton administers the Oath of Office, as specified in the Town Charter of Easton.
2. Officers will receive their Oath of Office upon graduation from an approved training academy as designated by the Maryland Police Training Commission.
3. Officers hired on the basis of lateral transfer will receive their Oath of Office on their first official day of employment, or as soon thereafter.

## **2-1.5 THE OATH**

“I, \_\_\_\_\_, do swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States, and that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to the State of Maryland, and support the Constitution and laws thereof, and that I will to the best of my skill and judgment, diligently and faithfully without partiality or prejudice, execute the office of Police Officer according to the Constitution and laws of this State.

I further swear that since adoption of this charter, I have not in any Town Election in any manner directly or indirectly, violated the provisions of said charter and the Constitution and laws of the State of Maryland in relation to bribery of voters.”