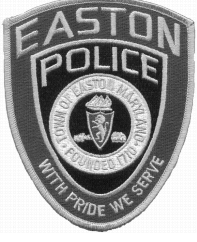


**EASTON POLICE DEPARTMENT
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
CHAPTER 1
MISSION STATEMENT, VALUES, OATH OF OFFICE, CODE OF CONDUCT**

	Title: Code of Ethics		Number: 01-3
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3-1.0 PURPOSE

The purpose of this General Order is to establish the Code of Ethics that all sworn members of the Department are expected to abide by as a guide in their daily activities.

3-1.1 DEFINITIONS/ABBREVIATIONS

None

3-1.2 FORMS

None

3-1.3 POLICY

The Easton Police Department has adopted a Law Enforcement Code of Ethics, based on that of the International Chiefs of Police. Its aim is to further true professionalism in law enforcement and it has as its basic objectives:

1. Elevating the standing of the profession in the public mind, and strengthening public confidence in law enforcement.
2. Encouraging law enforcement officers to fully appreciate the responsibilities of their office.
3. Developing and maintaining complete support and cooperation of the public in law enforcement.
4. Ensuring the effectiveness of the Department by encouraging the complete cooperation of its members for their mutual benefit.
5. Striving for full coordination of effort in all official relationships with other governmental agencies.
6. Considering police work to be an honorable profession and recognizing in it an opportunity to render a worthwhile service to society.

3-1.4 CODE OF ETHICS PLEDGE

"As a law enforcement officer, my fundamental duty is to serve mankind; to safeguard lives and property; to protect the innocent against deception, the weak against oppression or intimidation, and the peaceful against violence or disorder; and to respect the constitutional rights of all people to liberty, equality, and justice.

I will keep my private life unsullied as an example to all; maintain courageous calm in the face of danger, scorn or ridicule; develop self-restraint; and be constantly mindful of the welfare of others. Honest in thought and deed in both my personal and official life, I will be exemplary in obeying the law of the land and the regulations of my Department. Whatever I see or hear of a confidential nature or that is confided to me in my official capacity will be kept ever secret, unless revelation is necessary in the performance of duty.

I will never act officiously or permit personal feelings, prejudice, animosities, or friendships to influence my decisions with no compromise for crime and with relentless prosecution of criminals. I will enforce the law courteously and appropriately without fear or favor, malice, or ill will, never employing unnecessary force or violence and never accepting gratuities.

I recognize the badge of my office as a symbol of public faith, and I accept it as a public trust to be held so long as I am true to the ethics of police service. I will never engage in acts of corruption or bribery, nor will I condone such acts by other police officers. I will cooperate with all legally authorized agencies and their representatives in the pursuit of justice.

I know that I alone am responsible for my own standard of professional performance and will take every reasonable opportunity to enhance and improve my level of knowledge.

I will constantly strive to achieve these objectives and ideals, dedicating myself before God to my chosen profession - law enforcement."