

Truro Police Department

OATH OF OFFICE

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Policy:

Police Officers are granted their authority by the Commonwealth in order to maintain an orderly society and to protect the rights of citizens to be free of harassment or unwanted intrusion into their lives. Thus the power granted the police is immense and requires adherence to the highest ethics of office and commitment to follow the principles of law. The Oath of Office and the Code of Ethics are basic standards setting forth the commitment of the Department, and each individual Officer, to maintain the highest level of professional conduct and ethics while serving as a Truro Police Officer.

Before beginning to carry out his/her duties, a person shall be appointed a Police Officer of the Truro Police Department and will take and subscribe to the following Oath of Office.

I, (OFFICERS NAME) do solemnly affirm that I will bear true faith and allegiance to, and will uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America and the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and that I will oppose the overthrow of the Government of the United States of America or of this Commonwealth by force, violence, or by any illegal or unconstitutional methods. I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent on me as a Police Officer in the Police Department of the Town of Truro, so help me God.