


FLORIDA HIGHWAY PATROL POLICY MANUAL

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3.01.01 PURPOSE

To establish an oath to be administered to personnel upon becoming members of the Florida Highway Patrol.

3.01.02 POLICY

The Florida Highway Patrol will administer an oath to prospective members at the time of induction as a sign of sworn status and allegiance to the Department/Division and the standards expressed in the oath.

3.01.03 OBJECTIVE

To promote professionalism and adherence to ethical principles of law enforcement among sworn members by requiring them to affirm under oath to abide by the regulations set forth by the Department/Division and the laws of the society they serve.

3.01.04 PROCEDURES

- A. The Director or Deputy Director will administer the oath to personnel to be sworn.
- B. Upon graduating from the Academy, and as part of the commencement ceremony, each prospective member will recite the oath.
- C. After reciting the oath, the newly sworn member will sign their name and People First identification (ID) number on a dated copy of the oath. (Addendum 3.01-1)
- D. A copy of the signed and dated oath will be filed in the personnel file of the newly sworn member. The newly sworn member will receive a copy of the signed oath.
- E. Troop Commanders will administer the oath to personnel re-employed with the agency who return to duty at a field headquarters installation.
- F. In the event of the merger of another entity into the Florida Highway Patrol, the Director or designee will administer the oath to those new members collectively; following the oath, procedures C. and D. above will be followed.

3.01.05 REGULATIONS

Failure to abide by the conditions and standards set forth in this oath (see Addendum 3.01-1) will be considered a violation of the Code of Conduct and may result in disciplinary action.

OATH OF OFFICE
FLORIDA HIGHWAY PATROL

"I do solemnly swear: I will support, protect and defend the Constitution and Government of the United States and of the State of Florida; I will render strict obedience to my superiors in the Florida Highway Patrol, and observe and abide by all orders and regulations prescribed by them for the government and administration of said Patrol; I will always conduct myself soberly, honorably and honestly; I will maintain strict, punctual and constant attention to my duties; I will abstain from all offensive personality or conduct unbecoming a police officer; I will perform my duties fearlessly, impartially and with all due courtesy and I will well and faithfully perform the duties of a Law Enforcement Officer on which I am now about to enter. So help me God.

Member's Signature / People First ID#

WITNESS:

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF _____

Before me personally appeared the said _____,
who says that he/she executed the above instrument of his/her own free will and accord, with full knowledge of the purpose therefore.

Sworn and subscribed in my presence this _____ day of, _____ 20____.

My Commission expires: _____, 20____. _____

Notary Public

Personally Known _____ OR Produced Identification _____

Type of Identification Produced _____

ADDENDUM 3.01 - 1

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