



# Florida Highway Patrol Policy Manual

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## **3.02.01 PURPOSE**

To publish a code of professional ethics for employees of the Florida Highway Patrol.

## **3.02.02 AUTHORITY**

Section 112.313, Florida Statutes

DHSMV Policy 3.08

## **3.02.03 POLICY**

It is the policy of the Florida Highway Patrol to provide its employees with a Code of Ethics to assist them in making ethical decisions and judgments. Section 112.313, Florida Statutes, shall serve as the Code of Ethics for all Florida Highway Patrol employees.

## **3.02.04 OBJECTIVE**

To set forth a body of standards which promotes adherence to recognized standards of professional conduct.

## **3.02.05 PROCEDURES**

- A. All employees shall receive ethics training upon initial appointment.
- B. In-service ethics training shall be provided to all employees at least once every two years (biennially).

**3.02.06 REGULATIONS**

- A. All employees shall adhere to the ethical standards established in Section 112.313, Florida Statutes and DHSMV Policy 3.08.
- B. Additionally, all sworn members shall adhere to the Florida Highway Patrol Law Enforcement Code of Ethics located in Addendum 3.02 – 1.

**FLORIDA HIGHWAY PATROL  
LAW ENFORCEMENT  
CODE OF ETHICS**

As a member of the Florida Highway Patrol, my fundamental duty is to serve humankind; 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 laws 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 my duty.

I will never act officiously or permit personal feelings, prejudices, 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 the police service. I will constantly strive to achieve these objectives and ideals, dedicating myself before God to my chosen profession ... law enforcement.

ADDENDUM 3.02 -1