

Oath of Office

102.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that oaths, when appropriate, are administered to department members.

102.1.1 LANGUAGE OF OATH OF OFFICE

The oath of office will be given to them by the Mayor of the City of Urbana. The oath given shall read "I, (state name), having been appointed to the office of Probationary Police Officer in the City of Urbana in the County of Champaign, Illinois, do solemnly swear, that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Illinois, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Probationary Police Officer to the best of my ability."

102.2 POLICY

It is the policy of the Urbana Police Department that, when appropriate, department members affirm the oath of their office as an expression of commitment to the constitutional rights of those served by the Department and the dedication of its members to their duties.

102.3 OATH OF OFFICE

All department members, when appropriate, shall take and subscribe to the oaths or affirmations applicable to their positions. The form of oath shall be as follows (65 ILCS 5/3.1-10-25; 55 ILCS 5/3-6004; 55 ILCS 5/3-6010):

"I do solemnly swear (affirm) that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Illinois, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of (state title) to the best of my ability."

If a member is opposed to taking an oath, he/she shall be permitted to substitute the word "affirm" for the word "swear."

102.4 MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS

The oath of office shall be filed as prescribed by law (65 ILCS 5/3.1-10-25; 55 ILCS 5/3-6004; 55 ILCS 5/3-6010).