



BRAINTREE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Policy and Procedure

OATH OF OFFICE

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Police are granted their authority by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts 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 all sworn personnel, to maintain the highest level of professional conduct and ethics while serving as a sworn member of this Department.

Before beginning to carry out their duties, a person appointed and employed in a sworn capacity by the Braintree Police Department will take and subscribe to the following Oath of Office. Sworn personnel will be required to take and abide by an oath of office prior to assuming sworn status as directed by the appointing authority and performed by the Town Clerk.

This will be recorded on the Clerk's register to include the date, sworn Employee's name, and signature. A signed Oath of Office form will be filed in the personnel file of newly hired sworn personnel.