

**ILLINOIS STATE POLICE DIRECTIVE
ROC-001, CODE OF ETHICS**

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RELATED DOCUMENTS: None	RELATED CALEA STANDARDS: 1.1.2, 1.2.9, 61.1.8, 61.4.1

I. POLICY

The Illinois State Police (ISP) will provide officers with a Code of Ethics to assist them in making correct decisions throughout their law enforcement career.

II. PROCEDURES

The ISP will consider the failure to abide by the conditions and standards as set forth in this Code of Ethics as a violation of the Rules of Conduct. Violations may result in disciplinary action as provided in the Rules and Regulations of the ISP Merit Board or the appropriate collective bargaining agreement.

CODE OF ETHICS

As an Illinois State Police Officer, 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; maintain self-restraint; and be constantly mindful of the welfare of others. Honest in thought, word, 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 undisclosed 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 pursuit 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.

-End of Directive-