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PREAMBLE

ARTICLE 1

RECOGNITION

- A. The Township hereby recognizes the Lodge as the sole and exclusive collective negotiating agent and representative for all full-time employees of the Township of Pennsauken employed as Patrolmen, including Detectives, of the Township of Pennsauken Police Department, but excluding all managerial employees, professional employees, supervisors, and all other Township employees.
- B. The title "employee" shall be defined to include the plural as well as the singular and to include males and females.

ARTICLE II

MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITY

- A. The Township of Pennsauken hereby retains and reserves unto itself, without limitation, all powers, rights, authority, duties and responsibilities conferred upon and vested in it prior to the signing of this Agreement by the laws and Constitution of the State of New Jersey and of the United States, including, but without limiting the generality of the foregoing the following rights:
- 1. The executive management and administrative control of the Township Government and its properties and facilities and activities of its Police Officers utilizing personnel methods and means of the most appropriate and efficient manner possible as may from time to time be determined by the Township.
- 2. To make rules of procedure and conduct, to use improved methods and equipment, to determine work schedules and shifts, to decide the number of Police Officers needed for any particular time and to be in sole charge of the quality and quantity of the work required.
- 3. The right of management to make such reasonable rules and regulations as it may from time to time deem best for the purposes of maintaining order, safety and/or the effective operation of the Department after advance notice thereof to the Police Officers.

- 4. To hire all Police Officers, to promote, transfer, assign or retain Police Officers in positions within the Township.
- 5. To suspend, demote, discharge or take any other appropriate disciplinary action against any Police Officer for good and just cause according to law.
- 6. To layoff Police Officers in the event of lack of funds or under conditions where continuation of such work would be inefficient and non-productive.
- 7. The Township reserves the right with regard to all other conditions of employment not reserved to make such changes as it deems desirable and necessary for the efficient and effective operation of the Police Department.
- B. In the exercise of the foregoing powers, rights, authority, duties and responsibilities of the Township, the adoption of policies, rules, regulations, Code of Conduct and practices in the furtherance thereof, and the use of judgment and discretion in connection therewith, shall be limited only by the specific and express terms of this Agreement and then only to the extent such specific and express terms hereof are in conformance with the Constitution and laws of New Jersey and of the United States.
- C. Nothing contained herein shall be construed to deny or restrict the Township of its rights, responsibilities and authority under R.S. 40A: 1-1 et.

<u>seq.</u> or any other national, state, county or local laws of regulations.

ARTICLE III

RULES AND REGULATIONS

A. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, proposed new rules or modifications of existing rules, orders, procedures or policies governing negotiable working conditions shall be negotiated with the majority representative before they are established.

ARTICLE IV

NUN-DISCRIMINATION

- A. The Township and the Lodge agree that there shall be no discrimination against any Police Officer because of race, creed, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or political affiliation.
- Officers covered under this Agreement have the right without fear of penalty or reprisal to form, join, and assist any employee organization or to refrain from any such activity. There shall be no discrimination by the Township or the Lodge against any Police Officer because of the Police Officer's membership or non-membership or activity or non-activity.

ARTICLE V

MAINTENANCE OF WORK OPERATIONS

- A. The Lodge hereby covenants and agrees that during the term of this Agreement, neither the Lodge nor any person acting in its behalf will cause, authorize or support, nor will any of its members take part in any strike, (i.e., the concerted failure to report for duty or willful absence of any employee from his position, or stoppage of work, or absence in whole or in part, from the full, faithful and proper performance of the employee's duties of employment), work stoppage, slow-down, walk-out or other illegal job action against the Township. The Lodge agrees that such action would constitute a material breach of this Agreement.
- B. In the event of a strike, slow-down, walk-out, or job action, it is convenanted and agreed that participation in any such activity by any Lodge member shall entitle the Township to consider such activity grounds for termination of employment of such Police Officer or Police Officers.
- C. The Lodge agrees that it will make every reasonable effort to prevent its members from participating in any strike, work stoppage, slow-down, or other activity aforementioned or supporting any such activity by any other employee or group of employees of the Township and that the Lodge will publicly disavow each action and order all such

members who participate in such activities to cease and desist from same immediately and to return to work, and take such other steps as may be necessary under the circumstances to bring about compliance with the Lodge order.

D. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed to limit or restrict the Township in its right to seek and obtain such judicial relief as it may be entitled to have in law or in equity for injunction or Jamages, or both, in the event of such breach by the Lodge or its members.

ARTICLE VI

GRIEVANCE PROPCEDURE

- A. The purpose of this procedure is to secure, at the lowest possible level, an equitable solution to the problems which may arise affecting the terms and conditions of employment under this Agreement.
- B. Nothing herein shall be construed as limiting the right of any Police Officer having a grievance to discuss the matter informally with any appropriate member of the Department.
- C. 1. The term "grievance" as used herein means an appeal by an individual Police Officer or the Lodge on behalf of an individual Police Officer or group of Police Officers, from the interpretation, application or violation of terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- 2. No grievance may proceed beyond Step 1 herein unless it constitutes a controversy arising over the interpretation, application or alleged violation of the terms and conditions of this Agreement. Disputes concerning terms and conditions of employment controlled by statute or administrative regulation, incorporated by reference in this Agreement either expressly or by operation of law, shall not be processed beyond Step 1 herein. Discipline shall be arbitrable so long as its mandatorily arbitrable pursuant to law.

D. The following constitues the sole and exclusive method for resolving grievances between the parties covered by this Agreement, and shall be followed in its entirety unless any step is waived by mutual consent:

Step One: The aggrieved or the Lodge shall institute action under the provisions here of within five (5) calendar days after the event giving rise to the grievance has occurred, and an earnest effort shall be made to settle the differences between the aggrieved Police Officer and the immediate supervisor for the purpose of resolving the matter informally. Failure to act within said five (5) calendar days shall be deemed to constitute an abandonment of the grievance.

Step Two: If no agreement can be reached orally within five (5) calendar adays of the initial discussion with the immediate supervisor, the Police Officer or the Lodge may present the grievance in writing within five (5) calendar days thereafter to the Chief of Police or his designated representative. The written grievance at this Step shall contain the

relevant facts and a summary of the preceding oral discussion, the applicable Section of this contract violated, and the remedy requested by the grievant. The Chief of Police or his designated representative will answer the grievance in writing within five (5) calendar days of receipt of the written grievance.

Step Three: If the Lodge wishes to appeal the decision of the Chief of Police, such appeal shall be presented in writing to the Township Administrator within five (5) calendar days thereafter. This presentation shall include copies of all previous correspondence relating to the matter in dispute. The Township Administrator shall respond, in writing, to the grievance within fifteen (15) calendar days of the submission.

Step Four: If the Lodge wishes to appeal the decision of the Township Administrator, such appeal shall be presented in writing to the Township Committee within five (5) calendar days thereafter. This presentation shall include copies of all previous

correspondence relating to the matter in dispute. The Township Committee shall respond in writing, to the grievance within thirty (30) days of the submission.

Step Five: In the event the grievance has not been resolved in or at Step Four, the matter may be referred to arbitration as hereinafter provided. In the event that the Township or the Lodge desires to submit a greivance to arbitration, the following procedure shall be followed:

- a. The party demanding arbitration shall serve written notice of its intention to arbitrate on the other party(ies) within ten (10) working days following receipt of the Township Committee's determination.
- b. The party demanding arbitration shall request P.E.R.C. to appoint an arbitrator. The selection of the arbitrator shall be conducted in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of P.E.R.C.
- c. The costs of the services of the arbitrator shall be borne equally by the Township and the Lodge.

- d. The decision of the arbitrator shall be in writing and shall include the reasons for such decision.
- e. The decision of the arbitrator shall be final and binding upon the Township and the Lodge.
- f. The parties direct the arbitrator to decide, as a preliminary question, whether he has jurisdiction to hear and decide the matter in dispute.
- by the provisions of this Agreement and the Constitution and Laws of the State of New Jersey, and be restricted to the application of the facts presented to him involved in the grievance. The arbitrator shall not have the authority to add to, modify, detract from or alter in any way the provisions of the Agreement or any amendment or supplement thereto.
- E. Opon prior notice to and authorization of the Chief of Police, the designated Lodge Representatives shall be permitted as members of the Grievance Committee to confer with Police Officers and the Township on specific grievances in accordance with the grievance procedure set forth herein during work hours of Police Officers, without loss of pay,

provided the conduct of said business does not diminish the effectiveness of the Township of Pennsauken or require the recall of off-duty Police Officers.

- F. The time limits expressed herein shall be strictly adhered to. If any grievance has not been initiated within the time limits specified, then the grievance shall be deemed to have been abandoned. If the grievance is not processed to the next succeeding step in the grievance procedure within the time limits prescribed thereunder, then the disposition of the grievance at the last preceding step shall be deemed to be conclusive. If a decision is not rendered within the time limits prescribed for decision at any step in the grievance procedure, then the grievance shall be deemed to have been denied. Nothing herein shall prevent the parties from mutually agreeing to extend or contract the time limits for processing the grievance at any step in the grievance procedure.
- G. Police Officers covered by this Agreement shall have the right to process their own grievance without representation.
- H. In the event the aggrieved elects to pursue remedies available through Civil Service, the grievance shall be cancelled and the matter withdrawn from this procedure. It is agreed between the parties that no arbitration hearing shall be held until after the expiration at least thirty (30) calendar days after the decision

rendered by the Township Committee and the grievance. In the event the grievant pursues his remedies through Civil Service, the arbitration hearing, if any, shall be cancelled and the filing fees and expenses incurred thereby shall be paid by the grievant or the Lodge.

- The following matter shall not be arbitrable:
- The failure or refusal of the Township Committee to give permanent employment to a probationary or temporary employee, or,
- 2. Matters where a method of review is prescribed by law or by any rule or regulation of the Civil Service Commission, unless the employee involved has permitted his right to appeal to the Civil Service Commission to lapse.

ARTICLE VII

DUES DEDUCTION AND AGENCY SHOP

- A. The Township agrees to deduct from the salaries of its employees, subject to to this Agreement, dues for the Lodge. Such deductions shall be made in compliance with Chapter 123, Public Laws 1974, N.J.S.A. (R.S.) 52:14-15.9e as amended.
- B. A check-off shall commence for each employee who signs a properly dated authorization card, suppplied by the Lodge and verified by the Township Treasurer during the month following the filing of such card with the Township.
- C. If during the life of this Agreement there shall be any change in the rate of membership dues, the Lodge shall furnish to the Township written notice thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of such change and shall furnish to the Township either new authorizations from its members showing the authorized deduction for each employee, or an official notification on the letterhead of the Lodge and signed by the President of the Lodge advising of such changed deduction.
- D. The Lodge will provide the necessary "check-off authorization" form and the Lodge will secure the signatures of its members on the forms and deliver the signed forms to the Township Clerk.

- E. Any such written authorization may be withdrawn at any time by the filing of notice of such withdrawal with the Township Clerk. The filing of withdrawal shall be effective to halt deductions in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-15.9e as amended.
- F. The Township agrees to deduct the fair share fee from the earnings of those employees who elect not to become members of the Lodge and transmit the fee to the majority representative.
- G. The deduction shall commence for each employee who elects not to become a member of the Lodge during the month following written notice form the Lodge of the amount of the fair share assessment. A copy of the written notice of the amount of the fair share assessment must also be furnished to the New Jersey Public Employment Relations Commission.
- H. The fair share fee for services rendered by the Lodge shall be in an amount equal to the regular membership dues, initiation fees and assessments of the Lodge, less the cost of benefits financed through the dues and available only to members of the Lodge, but in no event shall the fee exceed eight-five (85%) percent of the regular membership dues, fees and assessment.
- I. The sum representing the fair share fee shall not reflect the costs of financial support of political causes or candidates, except to the extent that it is necessary for

the Lodge to engage in lobbying activity designed to foster its policy goals in collective negotiations and contract administration, and to secure for the employees its represents which ordinarily cannot be secured through collective negotiations with the Township.

- J. Prior to January 1st and July 31st of each year, the Lodge shall provide advance written notice to the New Jersey Public Employment Relations Commission, the Township and to all employees within the unit, the information necessary to compute the fair share fee services enumerated above.
- K. The Lodge shall establish and maintain a procedure whereby any employee can challenge the assessment as computed by the Lodge. This appeal procedure shall in no way involve the Township or require the Township to take any action other than to hold the fee in escrow pending resolution of the appeal.
- Township harmless agianst any and all claims, demands, suits or other forms of liability that shall arise out of or by reason of action taken by the Township in reliance upon salary deduction authorization cards or the fair share assessment information as furnished by the Lodge to the Township, or in reliance upon the official notification on the letterhead of the Lodge and signed by the President of the Lodge, advising of such changed deduction.

ARTICLE VIII

HOURS OF WORK AND OVERTIME - COURT APPEARANCES

- A. The regular work week for all Police Officers shall be a maximum of forty (46) hours per week, consisting of five (5) shifts of no more than eight (8) hours.
- 8. Overtime shall be paid at one and one-half (1-1/2) times the Police Officer's regular straight time rate for all hours worked in excess of forty (40) hours in any given week subject to the following exceptions:
- 1. The first ten (10) minutes of overtime in each days' work shall not be counted in computing overtime hours.
- 2. The additional eight (8) hours of work which Police Officers approximately every three (3) weeks as a result of the shift schedule will be paid at one and one-half (1-1/2) times the Police Officer's regular straight time rate.
- 3. Vacation days, paid sick leave, and holidays shall be counted as eight (8) hours in computing the forty (40) hour week.
- C. All Police Officers are subject to call in case of emergency or illness or absence of other Police Officers. When instructed by supervisors to work overtime, such overtime shall be mandatory. Overtime work must be

authorized in advance by the Chief of Police or his designee.

- D. When a Police Officer is required to work on his scheduled day off, he shall be paid one and one-half (1-1/2) times his regular straight time rate for all hours worked or guaranteed on such day.
- E. If a Police Officer is called in for extra duty, such as a potential emergency situation, he is to be guaranteed a minimum of four (4) hours pay at the guaranteed rate of one and one-half (1-1/2) times the Police Officer's regular straight time rate, subject to the requirements of Section B. The four (4) hour minimum shall not be applicable when such call out is contiguous with the employee's normal work day.
- F. If a Police Officer is scheduled for court, municipal, county, federal or grand jury, and he appears, or if the Police Officer is called into work for any other reason on his day off, he is guaranteed a minimum of four (4) hours pay. The day off hours are to be computed at one and one-half (1-1/2) times the Police Officer's regular straight time rate. The Township shall make no requirement for the Police Officer to work the balance of that time.
- G. 1. If a Police Officer is scheduled for court, municipal, county, federal or grand jury, and he appears, or if the Police Officer is called into work for any other reason, he is to be guaranteed a minimum of four (4) hours

- pay. The four (4) hours pay is to be computed at the regular straight time rate. The Township shall make no requirement for the Police Officer to work the balance of that time.
- 2. If a Police Officer's shift is changed solely to accommodate a court appearance, the Police Officer shall still receive court appearance compensation pursuant to Article VIII, Section G1.
- H. Off-duty hours are those hours when a Police Officer has completed his normal eight (8) hour shift and is required to work additional time.
- I. Day off hours are those which fall on or are scheduled on a Police Officer's scheduled day off, and are to be paid at the rate of one and one-half (1-1/2) times the Police Officer's regular straight time rate.
- J. All overtime hours worked by a Police Officer shall be paid to the Police Officer as worked and not carried over.
- K. Any time Police Officers are ordered by the Director of Public Safety and the Mayor to a neighboring city, municipality or borough to work, the Township shall reimburse these Police Officers at the rate of pay as provided by State Statutes and then the Township shall seek reimbursement from said city, municipality or borough.
- L. The hourly rate shall be computed by dividing the annual base pay by 2,080.

ARTICLE 1X

NEGOTIATIONS

A. Those Police Officers who are members of the Bargaining Team in regard to negotiations shall be "temporarily reassigned" to the 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. shift on the days for which negotiations are to occur.

ARTICLE X

SALARIES

A. Effective July 1, 1984, the annual base salaries to be paid bargaining unit employees shall be as follows:

Classifica	Base Salary		
Patrolman	(starting)	\$20,903.00	
Patrolman	(second year)	22,508.00	
Patrolman	(third year)	24,684.00	
Detective		26,663.00	

B. Effective July 1, 1985, the annual base salaries to be paid bargaining unit employees shall be as follows:

Classifica	Base Salary		
Patrolman	(starting)	\$22,367.00	
Patrolman	(second year)	24,084.00	
Patrolman	(third year)	26,412.00	
Detective		28,529.00	

- C. Each Police Officer shall receive his annual salary in equal installments payable every Thursday after 3:00 p.m. throughout the year, and placed in the Police Officer's mailbox in the roll call room. When a payday shall fall on a holiday, the said salary shall be paid on the preceding day.
- D. All Detectives will receive an additional \$600.00 annually to compensate for their clothing. This benefit is to be known as clothing allowance.

- E. All Police Officers who are assigned to the 4 P.M. to midnight shift shall be paid a shift differential equal to three (3%) percent of their base salaries.
- F. All Police Officers who are assigned to the midnight to 8 A.M. shift shall be paid a shift differential equal to five (5%) percent of their base salaries.
- G. No shift differential is to be paid for any hours worked on the 4 P.M. to midnight shift or the midnight to 8 A.M. shift which were not worked as regularly scheduled hours within the meaning of the contract as determined by the clear and unambiguous terms of the contract or as determined by the regular past practice in the application and interpretation of the term "regularly scheduled hours".
- H. Shift differential payment is to be paid twice yearly, once on or before January 1st of each contract year and a second time on or before June 30th of each contract year.
- I. Shift differential payments are to be made by means of a separate check from which no deduction for any purpose shall be made in excess of the pro-rated share of such deduction that would be normally made to a regular compensation check.

ARTICLE X1

LONGEVITY

- A. Longevity pay is to be given to each Police Officer (entitled) at the following rate:
 - 0 4 years service 0% of his base pay
 - 5 9 years service 3% of his base pay
 - 10-14 years service 4% of his base pay
 - 15-19 years service 5% of his base pay
 - 20 years service 6% of his base pay
- B. After twenty (20) years service, each Police Officer will receive an additional one (1%) percent for each five (5) years of service at his base pay. Longevity is not to be deducted from the pay raise but to be in addition thereto, and shall be issued separately on December 1 of each year and shall be based upon his salary in effect as of that time.
- C. All Police Officers presently employed by the Township of Pennsauken, with prior police experience in another city, municipality, or borough, or any Police Officer employed by the Township hereafter with police experience, the Township will credit the time spent in police work with said city, municipality or borough, to the Police Officers service time with this Township for the purpose of receiving longevity pay and vacation pay.

ARTICLE_XII

HOLIDAYS

- A. The following days shall be recognized as Holidays:
 - 1. New Years Day
 - Washington's Birthday
 - Memorial Day
 - 4. Independence Day
 - 5. Labor Day
 - Thanksgiving Day
 - 7. Christmas Day
 - 8. Veterans Day
 - 9. Good Friday
 - -10. Easter Sunday
 - ll. Election Day
 - 12. Lincoln's Birthday
 - 13. Martin Luther King Day
- B. Each Police Officer shall receive three (3) additional working days leave of absence in addition to said holidays with pay, bringing a total of sixteen (16) holidays. The three (3) additional days shall be known as Personal Days.
- C. Police Officers may taken such holiday leave at a time convenient to the Township and with the approval of the member of the governing body in charge of the Police Department. These holidays will be able to be carried

overto the following years, or the Police Officer may be paid for his unused holidays as an option on December 1st by separate check.

- The maximum number of unused days for which a Police Officer is entitled to be paid is ten (10) days per year, including both unused holidays and vacation days.
- All additional holidays declared by the Mayor for Township employees during the duration of this contract shall be declared for the Police Officers when given to Township employees. The use of such holidays shall be subject to availability of manpower. "Additional Holidays" shall not include the emergency closing of Township offices (i.e. snow days).
- D. Holidays which arise while a Police Officer is out of work due to an injury in the line of duty, may be carried over by the Police Officer for one year following the date of the holiday, any provision in this agreement to the contrary notwithstanding.

ARTICLE XIII

ANNUAL VACATION LEAVE

Α.	Τ.	Annual	vacatio	n, leave	or absence	Shail	рe
granted	to each	Police O	fficer, a	as follow	s:		
STARTING	TO END	OF FIRST	YEAR		15	DAYS	
START OF	2ND YEA	R TO END	OF 4TH	YEAR	17	DAYS	
START OF	5TH YEA	R TO END	OF 9TH	YEAR	20	DAYS	
START OF	, JOLH AE	AR TO END	OF 141	YEAR	23	DAYS	
START OF	15ТН УЕ	AR TO EN	OF 19T	I YEAR	26	DAYS	
START OF	20TH YE	AR TO EN	OF 24T	H YEAR	29	DAYS	
	2.	Each Po	lice Of	ficer wi	ll then red	ceive	(3)
days add	ditional	vacatio	on for ea	ach five	(5) years o	f serv	ice
based on	working	days.					

B. The maximum number of unused days for which a Police Officer is entitled to be paid is ten (10) days per year, including both unused holidays and vacation days.

ARTICLE XIV

SICK LEAVE WITH PAY

- A. All permanent full-time Police Officers covered by this Agreement shall be granted sick leave with pay in the amount of one (1) working day for every month of service during the remainder of the first calendar eyar of service and seventeen (17) working days in every calendar year thereafter.
- B. Any amount of sick leave not used in any calendar year shall accumulate to the Police Officer's credit from year to year to be used if and when needed for such purpose.
- C. Sick leave is hereby defined as an absence from post duty of a Police Officer because of illness, accident, exposure to contagious disease, attendance upon a member of the Police Officer's immediate family seriously ill and requiring the care or attendance of such Police Officer, or absence caused by death in the immediate family of such Police Officer.
- D. Immediate family, for the purposes of the use of sick leave shall mean mother, father, sister, brother, spouse, or child.
- E. Any Police Officer who shall be absent from work for five (5) or more consecutive working days for sick leave, or for more than fifteen (15) working days in any

calendar year, shall be required to submit acceptable medical evidence substantiating the illness.

- F. A Police Officer's supervisor, at his or her discretion and at any time, may require the Police Officer to submit acceptable medical evidence of proof of illness or may require the Police Officer to undergo a physical examination, whenever such a requirement appears reasonable to the supervisor.
- G. In order to receive compensation while absent on sick leave, a Police Officer shall report his or her absence at least one (1) hour prior to the start of his or her shift, where possible, except where emergent circumstances prevent the Police Officer from doing so. In those circumstances, the Police Officer shall report his or her absence as promptly as possible. Where it is not possible to report the absence at least one (1) hour prior to the start of the shift, the Police Officer shall report his or her absence at some point in time prior to the start of the shift. Failure to so notify may be cause of denial of the use of sick leave for that absence, and constitute cause for disciplinary action.
- H. Absence without notification for five (5) consecutive days shall constitute a resignation as per Title 11.

I. Abuse of sick leave shall be cause for disciplinary action, and may constitute justifiable cause for dismissal.

ARTICLE XV

INJURY LEAVE

- A. In the event a Police Officer becomes disabled by reason of a work related injury or illness and is unable to perform his duties, then, in addition to any sick leave benefits otherwise provided for herein, he shall be entitled to full pay for a period of up to one (1) year, provided all conditions of this Article are met.
- B. Any Police Officer who is injured, whether slight or severe, while working, must make an immediate report prior to the end of the shift thereof to the immediate supervisor. Failure to so report said injury may result in the failure of the Police Officer to receive compensation under this Article.
- c. The Police Officer shall be required to present evidence by a certificate of a duly authorized physician that he is unable to work and, the Township may reasonably require the Police Officer to present such certificate from time to time.
- D. If the Township does not accept the certificate of the physician, the Township shall have the right at its own cost, to require the Police Officer to obtain a physical examination and certification of fitness by a physician appointed by the Township.

- E. In the event the Township certifies the Police Officer fit to return to duty, injury leave benefits granted under this Article shall be terminated.
- F. In the event any Police Officer is granted said injury leave, the Township's sole obligation shall be to pay the Police Officer the difference between his regular pay and any compensation, disability or other payments received from other sources paid for by the Township. At the Township's option, the Police Officer shall either surrender and deliver any compensation disability or other payments to the Township and receive his entire salary payment, or the Township shall only pay the difference.
- G. If the Township can prove that a Police Officer has abused his privileges under this Article, the Police Officer will be subject to disciplinary action by the Township, up to and including termination.
- H. Cardiac failure on or off the job shall be construed as occurring on the job for any purpose including compensation. All compensation checks realized by the Police Officer during such time as the Police Officer is receiving full salary from the Township shall be endorsed over to the Township. The Township's maximum liability under this section shall be one (1) years salary. However, in no event shall a Police Officer be entitled to any Workmen's Compensation from any source other than the Township's Workmen's Compensation insurance company. Any

decision by the Workmen's Compensation court, or, if an appeal, the Appeals court, shall be binding on both the Township and the Police Officer.

ARTICLE XVI

FUNERAL LEAVE

- A. In the event of death in the Police Officer's immediate family, the Police Officer shall be granted time off without loss of pay from day after the death, but in no event shall said leave exceed five (5) calendar days.
- B. The "immediate family" shall include husband, wife, child, mother, father, brother, sister, mother-in-law, father-in-law, or any family member residing in the Police Officer's home.
- C. Three (3) days leave without loss of pay from day of death or day of funeral shall be granted for the following: brother-in-law, sister-in-law, daughter-in-law, grandchild or grandparents.

ARTICLE XVII

MILITARY LEAVE

- A. Police Officers who are members of the National Guard or Naval Militia of this State or of the military or naval forces of the United States who are required to undergo field training therein, shall be entitled to an additional leave of absence with pay for the period of such field training. Any Police Officer called into extended active serve with the armed forces of the United States, shall be placed upon leave of absence without pay for the period of his service.
- B. Any Police Officer entering extended active military service with the armed forces of the United States shall be granted one month's salary in the form of military leave with pay. Such Police Officer shall be granted military leave without pay for the balance of his active military service and to include New Jerse National Guard and/or New Jersey Naval Militia.
- C. Earned and unused annual vacation leave of absence may be used by the Police Officer before military leave without pay becomes effective.

ARTICLE XVIII

SPECIAL LEAVE WITH PAY

- A. Subject to the approval of the member of the Governing Body at the Head of the Department, Police Officers who may be appointed or elected to an executive position in a bona fide service organization, may be granted leave of absence without loss of pay, to attend regular organized local, state and national meetings of the Fraternal Order of Police at the sole discretion of the Governing Body or the Head of the Department. The criterion to be used for refusing such leave is available manpower. Additional Police Officers may also be granted leave of absence without loss of pay to attend such meeting, at the sole discretion of the member of the Governing Body or the Head of the Department.
- B. Police Officers notified to appear for a scheduled Civil Service examination shall be granted leave of absence without loss of pay covering the period required for such examination, including travel time, unless the examination falls on his regular scheduled day off.
- C. All special leaves of absence granted under this section shall be recorded and reported to the Chief of Police.
- D. Emergency leaves of absence may be granted Police Officers by the Chief of Police, or in his absence and if

unavailable, the next most senior officer in the chain of command who is available. Such leaves of absence shall be granted only upon the submission of ample proof which substantiates the nature of the emergency.

ARTICLE X1X

LEAVE OF ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY

- A. The member of the Governing Body at the Head of said Department may grant a leave of absence without pay to any Police Officer upon the presentation of satisfactory reasons.
- B. Such leave of absence may be extended by the Head of such Department for a period not to exceed an additional six (6) months.

ARTICLE XX

EXCHANGE OF DAYS OFF OR HOURS OF DUTY

- A. The Police Department may grant the request of any Police Officer to exchange hours, duty days or days off. Such request shall be granted on a uniform basis with standard rules and regulations applying to all Police Officers who make this request. Such requests shall not be unreasonably or arbitrarily denied. Subject to the manpower requirements of the Police Department, any Police Officer may request permission to exchange hours of duty or days off with another Police Officer who is agreeable to make such change. The Township shall not be obliged to pay any overtime by virture of such exchange.
- B. 1. Subject to legitimate manpower needs as determined by the Chief of Police, two patrolmen per shift may be permitted time off in addition to one Platoon Sergeant per shift being off as well. A third patrolman may be permitted off at the discretion of the Platoon Sergeant or his immediate supervisor.
- 2. In the event that a request for a specified day or period of time off is granted to any Police Officer, no other employee even though senior to and/or holding superior rank to the requesting Police Officer, may "bump" said requesting Police Officer out of the day or period of

time requested during the last 30-day period immediately preceding the designated time off.

- C. 1. In the event that a Police Officer is assigned to attend a school which involves attendance on one of his regularly scheduled days off, said employee may change his hours of work or days off for the sole purpose of attending said school.
- 2. In the event that said Police Officers refuses to change his scheduled hours of work or days off, then the Police Department may, at its option, refuse to permit the Police Officer to attend said school.

ARTICLE XXI

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS

- A. If a Police Officer is assigned to the detective division, or to a special assignment, he shall be paid the rate for that position as called for in the pay scale. This rate is to start immediately upon being assigned to the respective position. This section to include all Police Officers appointed to an acting capacity.
- B. Notwithstanding the above, in the event a Police Officer is assigned temporarily to the station commander position, he shall not be entitled to receive the rate therefor until he has been so assigned for at least ten (10) days during the calendar year. Upon reaching the eleventh (11) day, the station commander rate shall be paid retroactively for the first ten (10) days.

ARTICLE XXII

HOSPITALIZATION AND MEDICAL-SURGICAL INSURANCE

- A. Each Police Officer and their families shall receive the following coverages under New Jersey Blue Cross and New Jersey Blue Shield:
 - 1. Blue Cross, Comprehensive Extended
 - 2. Blue Shield
 - Extended Benefit, Known as Rider J
 - Major Medical Plan.

The Township agrees to maintain in effect either the above coverage or its equivalent.

- B. Effective no later than July 1, 1985, the Township shall implement the New Jerse Blue Cross and New Jersey Blue Shield PACE Plan.
- c. The cost of said hospitalization and medical-surgical insurance shall be borne by the Township of Pennsauken.
- D. Each Police Officer and their families shall receive a Dental Program and an eyeglass and prescription program. The said program to be adopted by mutual agreement of both parties concerned. No deletions or changes in this program will be made without the consent of both parties concerned.
- E. The cost of the said dental plan and eyeglass plan shall be borne by the Township of Pennsauken.

- F. Each Police Officer will have the right to choose his own medical facility for emergency treatment if he is injured while on duty. Thereafter, Workmen's Compensation law shall determine control of treatment.
- G. Effetive January 1, 1986, the Township shall implement the New Jersey State Disability Plan.
- H. If available, the Township agrees to pay up to a maximum of sixty-five (\$65.00) dollars per year per Police Officer for the purchase of a vicarious liability insurance plan. Any increase in the premiums above the sixty-five (\$65.00) dollars per year per Police Officer will be borne by the individual Police Officer or the Association.
- I. The Township has the right to change insurance carriers or institute a self-insurance program so long as the same or better benefits are provided after written notification to the Association.

ARTICLE XXIII

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

A. The Township must supply each Police Officer a complete physical each year, said physical examination to be made by a physician selected by the Governing Body and to be at the expense of the Township.

ARTICLE XXIV

EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS

- A. The Township shall agree to establish uniform procedures for assisting Police Officers to attend college or other schools to increase their efficiency and effectiveness as Police Officers.
- B. Those college credits which a Police Officer has obtained on or before December 31, 1976 and for which he has been receiving payment at the rate of twenty-five (\$.25) cents per credit per week shall be continued to be so paid so long as said Police Officer remains in the employ of the Township of Pennsauken as a Police Officer.
- C. All college credits obtained by any Police Officer after December 31, 1976, shall be paid at the rate of twenty-five (\$.25) cents per credit per week for two (2) years from the date of obtaining said credit. Thereafter, the payments shall cease.
- D. In order for credits to be eligible for payment under this Article, they must have been earned from either courses relating to law enforcement or from courses required to be taken in degree programs dealing with law enforcement.
- E. College credit payment requests shall be submitted to the Chief of Police for approval. The Chief shall grant approval when proof of compliance with this Article is produced.

f. Police Officers may have the option of being docked for the hours taken to attend college or to take vacation, holiday or personal days, or any part thereof, in order to attend college, subject to availability of manpower.

ARTICLE XXV

MILEAGE

- A. In the event a Police Officer is required to use his personal vehicle in connection with Township business, he shall be reimbursed for mileage at the rate of twenty (\$.20) cents per mile.
- B. The Township, in its sole discretion, may unilaterally increase the mileage reimbursement.

ARTICLE XXVI

SEVERANCE PAY

A. Upon retirement or disability, the Police Officer shall receive severance pay of three-quarters (3/4) of one percent of his base pay times the number of years of service with the Police Department of the Township of Pennsauken.

ARTICLE XXVII

RETIREMENT

Α. Police Officers shall retain all pension rights available to them under applicable laws of the State of New Jersey and ordinances of the Township of Pennsauken. In addition thereto, upon retirement or disability which causes termination of employment, the Police Officer shall be paid at his salary rate for all accumulated holidays and vacation days due said Police Officer as of the day of such termination and the employee and his family shall be covered by Blue Cross and Blue Shield (P.A.C.E. Plan no later than July 1, 1985), Rider J, and Major Medicl Program, and adopted Dental Plan, Eyeglass and Prescription Plan, which cost of such hospitalization and Major Medical, and Dental and Eyeglass and Prescription Programs shall be paid by the Township until the said Police Officer reaches the age of sixty-five (65) years of age. A Police Officer is eligible for retirement benefits under this Article so long as he is eligible for full retirement pursuant to the Police and Fire Retirement System.

ARTICLE XXVIII

UNIFORMITY OF EQUIPMENT

- A. Once a year, at a time to be determined, all damaged or worn uniforms shall be reported to a person within the Police Department designated by the Chief of Police. Such replacements as are necessary shall be ordered and obtained expeditiously. In addition, if during the course of the year, a portion of the uniform is damaged while carrying out official duties, the Police Officer involved shall report it, and an inspection will be made and the new item ordered and obtained if required.
- B. All Police Officers will be uniformly equipped with the Township bearing all expense for said uniform.
- C. Uniforms lost or destroyed due to the negligence of the Police Officer shall be replaced at the Police Officer's expense.

ARTICLE XXIX

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A. The Township shall have the discretion upon hiring a Police Officer with experience and/or college background in police affairs to place said Police Officer at a higher pay scale than the starting position called for under the salary scale. This clause is designed to enable the Township to be a competitive employer.

ARTICLE XXX

SUSPENSIONS

- A. The determination of whether or not a Police Officer will be suspended with or without pay in any given case rests with the discretion of the Chief of Police. However, the Township has the policy that whenever a Police Officer is potentially in danger of being suspended, an effort will be made to keep him working in some appropriate capacity so long as it is not inconsistent with manpower coverage considerations, morale of the Department, and good police administration as determined by the Chief of Police.
- B. For any loss of time due to Departmental suspension from duty, the Police Officer's loss of pay shall be spread over that period of time multiplied by two (2).

ARTICLE XXXI

OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT

- A. Upon prior approval and receipt of work permit from the Director of Public Safety, Police Officers shall be entitled to engage in any lawful activity and obtain any lawful work while off-duty. Said approval and work permit shall not be unreasonably withheld.
- 5. It is understood that the full-time Police Officers will consider their position with the Township as their primary employment. Any outside employment or activity must not interfere with the Police Officer's efficiency in his position with the Township and must not constitute any conflict of interest.
- C. No Police Officer planning to or engaging in any outside employment or activity during their off-duty hours shall be permitted to wear the regulation uniform.
- D. All outside employment shall be listed with the Chief of Police. The information provided to the Chief of Police shall include the employer's name, address and the Police Officer's work schedule.

ARTICLE XXXII

SEPARABILITY AND SAVINGS

application of this Agreement to any Police Officer or group of Police Officers is held to be contrary to law, then such provision or application shall not be deemed valid and subsisting, except to the extent permitted by law, but all other provisions or applications shall continue in full force and effect.

ARTICLE XXXIII

FULLY-BARGAINED AGREEMENT

A. This Agreement represents and incorporates the complete and final understanding and settlement by the parties of all bargainable issues which were or could have been the subject of negotiations. During the term of this Agreement, neither party will be required to negotiate with respect to any such matter, whether or not covered by this Agreement, and whether or not within the knowledge or contemplation of either or both parties at the time they negotiated or signed this Agreement.

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ARTICLE XXXIV

DURATION OF AGREEMENT

A. This Agreement shall be in full force and effect as of July 1, 1984, and shall remain in effect to and including June 30, 1986, without any reopening date. This Agreement shall continue in full force and effect from year to year thereafter, until one part or the other gives notice, in writing, no sooner than one hundred fifty (150) nor no later than one hundred twenty (120) days prior to the expiration of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto set their hands and seals at the Township of Pennsauken, New Jersey, on this ______ day of _______, 1984.

FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE GARDEN STATE LODGE NO. 3 _______ TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN

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