Purpose
To provide all sworn police officers of the Indiana University Police Department with a standard Oath of Office, and all non-sworn officers with an Affirmation of Duty.

General Order
IUPD will have all sworn police officers, appointed by the Indiana University Boards of Trustees, take an Oath of Office before assuming the duties and responsibilities of a police officer with the IUPD per Indiana Code (IC) 21-39-4-3.

Sworn Officers
The Superintendent for Public Safety, the Division Chief, or their designee(s) may administer the Oath of Office.

As stipulated by Indiana Code (IC) 21-39-4-3, police officers appointed under this chapter will take an appropriate Oath of Office in the form and manner prescribed by the appointing board of trustees.

The officer(s) will stand, raise their right hand, and repeat the Oath of Office, prior to assuming enforcement duties.

- It will be explained to the Officers prior to taking the Oath of Office that they may choose to “affirm” or “swear,” and may elect to state or not state “so help me God.” If the officer elects to “swear” the Oath, it is concluded with “so help me God.” If an officer elects to “affirm” their Oath, then “so help me God” is stricken and not included in the Oath.

A signed copy of F2.1.1 Oath of Office (see below) will be placed in the officer’s personnel file.

Related Information

Indiana University Police Department:
F2.1.1 Oath of Office

Indiana Code:
21-39-4-3 Appointed police officer oath

Benjamin Hunter (07/30/2021)
Superintendent for Public Safety
Oath of Office

I, ____________________________, do solemnly (affirm or swear), that I will at all times in the performance of my duties, abide by the laws and Constitution of the United States of America and the Constitution of the State of Indiana; abide by the policies and regulations established by Indiana University, and the Indiana University Police Department,

I will speak the truth at all times, act with impartiality towards all and respect the rights of others at all times; protect life and property; and endeavor to be a credit to the community, which I serve. (So help me God).

__________________________________________
(Name of Sworn Officer)

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(Title, Campus)

Subscribed and sworn to, before me this ______ day of ________________________, ______.

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(Name of Chief or Swearing-In Officer, Title)