

CHESWOLD POLICE

Department of Public Safety

SEASONAL BIKE PATROL OFFICERS

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I. PURPOSE

This general order establishes and defines the procedures for the operation and administration of the Cheswold Police Department's Seasonal Bicycle Patrol program.

II. POLICY

In order to enhance its pro-active approach toward law enforcement, the Cheswold Police will maintain a Seasonal Bicycle Patrol unit which is responsible for both patrol and public relations functions in designated areas of the Town.

III. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Bicycle Patrol will consist of designated seasonal police officers who will pass a background investigation, physical exam, bicycle training course and the necessary hours of training in accordance with current C.O.P.T standards concerning Seasonal Police Officers.

Their primary focus will be on Fox Pointe and Parkers Run area of Town, but may, on occasion, be assigned temporarily to other areas/assignments by officers and/or supervisors. Bicycle Patrol Officers will also be expected to maintain their physical condition to successfully perform the duties of a Seasonal Bicycle Patrol Officer, as they will be operating a bicycle for long periods of time in sometimes hot weather.

Bicycle Patrol Officers will be expected to participate in bicycle safety programs and other possible public relations programs concerning bicycle safety.

IV. UNIFORMS AND EQUIPMENT

- A.** The summer uniform for Seasonal Bicycle Patrol Officers consists of:
 - 1. Short-sleeved uniform shirt with reflective side stripes and "POLICE" lettering.
 - 2. Blue riding shorts.
 - 3. Nylon duty belt consisting of:
 - OCS Spray (10%)
 - ASP Baton
 - 800 MgHz radio and holder

Flashlight and holder

Belt keepers

Handcuffs and case

Nylon trouser belt

4. Black water repellent sneaker/boot
5. DOT/Department approved bicycle helmet
6. Riding gloves
7. Long riding pants and pull-over water repellent jacket.

- B.** Bicycle Officers shall take care of the bicycles and equipment issued to them, and will sign out their respective bicycles prior to their shift.
- C.** Bicycle Officers shall report and document on their activity logs any and all damage to any of their issued equipment to the officer overseeing the program, or to any supervisor available at the time. They shall check all issued equipment for deficiencies, defects or damage prior to their shift.
- D.** They shall fill out and submit an activity log at the duration of their shift.
- E.** They shall wear their bicycle helmets properly fastened at all times while riding the bicycles.
- F.** They shall not pursue a moving motor vehicle while on their bicycles for the purposes of issuing a traffic/parking citation or misdemeanor arrest.

ORDER EXECUTED and ISSUED this 13th day of April, 2013.

Christopher Workman
Chief of Police