

INTRODUCTION

THIS MANUAL IS AN OFFICIAL PUBLICATION OF THE MONROE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE. IT WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH MEMBER OF THE OFFICE TO HAVE KNOWLEDGE OF ALL DIRECTIVES, POLICIES, PROCEDURES, AND RULES AND REGULATIONS CONTAINED IN THIS MANUAL.

THIS MANUAL AND IT'S CONTENTS ARE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2000, AND SUPERSEDES ALL OTHER PRIOR DIRECTIVES, POLICIES, PROCEDURES, ORDERS, MEMOS, RULES AND REGULATIONS.

EACH MEMBER WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR MAINTAINING THE MANUAL IN GOOD CONDITION AND FOR UPDATING IT AS NEW OR REVISED DIRECTIVES ARE ISSUED. THE MANUAL SHALL REMAIN THE PROPERTY OF THE MONROE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE. MEMBERS WILL BE REQUIRED TO PAY FOR LOST OR DAMAGED MANUALS.

MEMBERS WILL, AT ALL TIMES, EXECUTE THEIR DUTIES IN STRICT ACCORDANCE WITH THE DIRECTIVES CONTAINED HEREIN. ANY INFRACTION OF THESE DIRECTIVES WILL BE GROUNDS FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION.

THE SHERIFF SHALL BE THE SOLE AUTHORITY ON AMENDING THIS MANUAL. NO OTHER CHANGES OR DEVIATIONS FROM THE DIRECTIVES, POLICIES, PROCEDURES, ORDERS, RULES, AND/OR REGULATIONS SHALL BE PERMITTED.

NOTHING CONTAINED HEREIN SHALL ESTABLISH A PROPERTY OR LIBERTY INTEREST IN ANY POSITION OF ANY MEMBER OF THE MONROE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE. THE SHERIFF, PURSUANT TO LAW, SHALL MAINTAIN THE SOLE RIGHT TO APPOINT MEMBERS AND WITHDRAW APPOINTMENTS OF MEMBERS AT HIS SOLE DISCRETION.

ALL PERSONNEL SHOULD NOTE AND UNDERSTAND THAT NO OTHER MEMBER OF THE OFFICE, OTHER THAN THE SHERIFF OF MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA, HAS ANY AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO ANY AGREEMENT FOR APPOINTMENT FOR ANY SPECIFIED PERIOD OF TIME OR TO MAKE ANY AGREEMENT CONTRARY TO THE FOREGOING.

THE SHERIFF MAY ADD, DELETE, CHANGE, MODIFY, OR INTERPRET ANY OR ALL PROVISIONS OF THIS OPERATIONS MANUAL AT HIS SOLE DISCRETION.

FAILURE OF ANY MEMBER TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ANY PORTION OF THIS MANUAL MAY RESULT IN DISCIPLINARY ACTION, UP TO AND INCLUDING WITHDRAWAL OF APPOINTMENT.

THIS MANUAL AND ALL OF ITS PROVISIONS SHALL BE IN EFFECT CONTINUOUSLY FROM THE DATE OF PUBLICATION UNLESS RESCINDED BY ORDER OF THE SHERIFF.

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