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I. Purpose
The purpose of this Written Directive is to establish the authority of the office of the Chief of Police.

II. Policy
It shall be the policy of the University of Maryland, Baltimore Police Force (UMBPF) to ensure that all rules and regulations are followed as they relate to the authority of Chief of Police.

III. Authority
By virtue of the authority delegated by the Chancellor of the University System of Maryland, the Chief of Police has established policies, rules, regulations, and procedures to govern the operation and conduct of the members of the UMBPF. The Chief of Police reserves the right to amend or repeal any of these policies, rules, regulations and procedures or to make additions thereto as circumstances may dictate. Furthermore, the Chief of Police may issue verbal or written orders that shall have the same force and effect as these policies, rules, regulations, and procedures.

IV. Purpose of Policy and Rules
The UMBPF policies, rules, regulations and procedures are intended for the guidance of all Agency members. They do not provide guidance on every possible eventuality nor can they cover every specific situation or problem that may confront members of the UMBPF. The exercise of good judgment and the application of good morals, good values, good ethical standards, and good safety practices, together with the highest degree of cooperation by those entrusted with law enforcement responsibilities and the security of the campus community is essential to the effective and efficient police Agency.

V. Member Responsibilities
All members of the UMBPF should remember that in the execution of duties they act as a representative of the University of Maryland, Baltimore and the State of Maryland. The development of a well-disciplined and efficient organization that has the confidence and respect of the public can only be accomplished when each member realizes that every action, whether it is a part of official duties or their private life, is closely observed by the public. As such, it is
essential that every member remain familiar with all policies, rules, regulations and procedures and adhere to them.

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