Oath of Office

102.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE
The purpose of this policy is to ensure that, when appropriate, oaths are administered to department members.

102.2 POLICY
It is the policy of the University of Maryland, Baltimore Police Department that, when appropriate, department members affirm the oath of their office as an expression of commitment to the constitutional rights of those served by the Department and the dedication of its members to their duties.

102.3 OATH OF OFFICE
All sworn department members, when appropriate, shall take and subscribe to the required oath or affirmation required to uphold the Constitutions of the United States of America and Maryland, to enforce federal, state and local ordinances (Md. Const. Art. I § 9; Md. Code CJ § 2-104; Md. Code PS § 3-309), and to follow the orders and directions of those appointed to supervise the UMBPD. If a member is opposed to taking an oath, he/she shall be permitted to substitute the word “affirm” for the word “swear.”

102.4 MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS
The oath of office shall be filed as prescribed by law (Md. Const. Art. I § 10; Md. Code PS § 3-309).