SISSETON-WAHPETON SIOUX TRIBE

CHAPTER 1

TRIBAL POLICE FORCE

S.W.S.T. CODE Amendment New Adoption Judicial Approved
Council Adopted

01-01-01 OATH OF OFFICE

On taking office each member of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribal Police force shall take an oath as follows:

"I , will support and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution and By-Laws of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose or evasion and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter. So help me God."

01-02-01 DISCIPLINE OF TRIBAL POLICE

The Chief of Police shall have power, in their/his discretion, on conviction by him, or by any Court or office of competent jurisdiction of a member of the force for any criminal offense; or neglect of duty, violation of rules; or neglect or disobedience of orders; or absence without leave; or any conduct injurious to the public peace or welfare; or immoral conduct or conduct unbecoming an officer; or any breach of discipline, to punish the offending party by reprimand, forfeiting and withholding pay for a specified time, suspension without pay, or by dismissal from the force; but not more than thirty (30) days salary shall be forfeited or deducted for any offense.

- O1-02-02 Members of the force, except as elsewhere provided herein, shall be fined, reprimanded, removed, suspended, or dismissed from the force only on written charges made or preferred against them, after such charges have been examined, heard and investigated by one of the Tribal Police upon such reasonable notice to the member or members charged, and in such manner or procedure, practice, examination and investigation as such Judicial Committee may, by rules and regulations, from time to time prescribe.
- O1-02-03 Upon having found a member of the force guilty of the charges preferred against him, either upon his plea of guilty or after trial, the Judicial committee or the Tribal Police hearing, examining, and investigating the charges, in his discretion, may suspend judgement and place the member of the force so found guilty upon probation, for a period not exceeding one (1) year; and the Chief of Police may impose punishment at any time during such period.

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If any clause, sentence, paragraph, section, or part of this code shall, for any reason be adjudicated by any Court of competent jurisdiction, to be invalid or unconstitutional, such judgement shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, section, or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which the judgement shall have been rendered.