

AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
THE CITY OF MERIDEN  
AND  
MERIDEN POLICE LOCAL #1016  
AMERICAN FEDERATION OF STATE,  
COUNTY, AND  
MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES  
AFL-CIO

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## **PREAMBLE**

The following Agreement by and between, respectively, the City of Meriden, hereinafter referred to as the "City" and Local #1016 and Council #4; AFSCME, AFL-CIO, hereinafter referred to as the "Union", is designated to promote and maintain a harmonious relationship between the City of Meriden and such of its employees who are within the provisions of this Agreement, in order that a more efficient and progressive service may be rendered.

## **ARTICLE I** **Recognition**

The City hereby recognizes the Union as the sole and exclusive bargaining agent for all full-time uniformed and investigatory members of the Police Department, including probationary candidates, with authority to exercise Police powers up to and including the rank of Captain and including Matrons and Meter Maids, but excluding the ranks of Chief, Deputy Chief and Major.

## **ARTICLE II** **Payroll Deductions of Union Fees, Dues and Assessments**

The City shall weekly deduct Union dues, initiation fees and assessments from the earned wages of each employee in such amount as determined by the Union provided that no deduction shall be made from any employee's wage except when authorized by him on an appropriate form, a copy of which must be submitted to the City's Personnel Director. Such authorization shall be for the life of the Contract and shall be continued thereafter if a Contract exists between the City and the Union.

## **ARTICLE III** **Union Security**

Upon receipt of an employee's signed authorization to deduct membership dues, the Employer agrees to deduct from the pay of the employee an amount as established and periodically adjusted by the Union. Such deductions shall continue unless the employer is notified in writing that the employee is no longer a member. Council 4 reserves the right to modify and/or replace any such authorization form.

## **ARTICLE IV** **Management Rights**

**Section 1.** The City has and will continue to retain, whether exercised or not, all of the rights, powers and authority heretofore had by it and, except where such rights, powers and authority are specifically relinquished, abridged or limited by the provisions of this Agreement, it shall have the sole and unquestioned right, responsibility and prerogative to manage the affairs of the City and direction of the working forces, including, but not limited to the following:

- a) To determine the care, maintenance and operation of equipment and property used for and on behalf of the purposes of the City.
- b) To establish or continue policies, practices and procedures for the conduct of City business and, from time to time, to change or abolish such policies, practices or procedures.
- c) To discontinue work processes or operations or to discontinue their performance by employees.
- d) To select and to determine the number and types of employees required to perform the City's operations.
- e) To employ, transfer, promote or demote employees, or to lay-off, terminate or otherwise relieve employees from duty for lack of work or other legitimate reasons when it shall be in the best interests of the City or the Department. In the event of a reduction in force, lay-off shall be in inverse order of hiring, and any recall to work shall be by seniority.
- f) To prescribe and enforce reasonable rules and regulations for the maintenance of discipline and for the performance of work in accordance with the requirements of the City, provided such rules and regulations are made known in a reasonable manner to the employee affected by them.
- g) To insure that incidental duties connected with departmental operations, whether enumerated in job description or not shall be performed by employees.
- h) To establish contracts or sub-contracts for municipal operations provided that this right shall not be used for the purposes or intention of undermining the Union or of discriminating against its members. All work customarily performed by the employees of the bargaining unit shall be continued to be so performed unless in the sole judgment of the City, it can be done more economically or expeditiously otherwise.

**Section 2.** The above rights, responsibilities and prerogatives are inherent in the Chief of Police and the City Manager by virtue of Statutory and Charter provisions and are not subject to delegation in whole or in part. Such rights may not be subject to review of determination in any grievance or arbitration proceedings, but the manner of exercise of such rights may be subject to the grievance procedure described in this Agreement.

## **ARTICLE V**

### **Employees to Receive Copies of the Contract**

The City shall give to each new employee when hired a copy of this Contract, an Identification Card and on-line access to the Rules and Regulations of the Department. A copy of the contract shall be posted on the City's Website within forty-five (45) working days of the signing of the Agreement.

**ARTICLE VI**  
**Bulletin Boards**

The City shall designate one bulletin board on the premises of the Police Department in the Squad Room for the purpose of posting notices concerning Union business and activities. This shall be an enclosed bulletin board with a lock and shall be furnished and controlled by the Union.

**ARTICLE VII**  
**Disciplinary Action**

**Section 1. Union Representation**

When any employee is ordered to appear before the Chief for any violation of any department rule or regulation, personal or otherwise, which may result in disciplinary action, such employee shall have the right to be attended by the Local Union. An attorney of his/her choice may be present only if there is a properly executed waiver in place. The employee shall designate who will be his/her spokesperson prior to the beginning of the hearing.

**Section 2. Compensation**

Any employee who is ordered to appear before any superior officer or other City official outside of his normal work day shall be compensated according to Article XII.

**Section 3. Reinstatement/Remedy for Discipline**

Any employee who has been disciplined or discharged and who is subsequently exonerated shall be reinstated without prejudice or loss of seniority and compensated for any loss in wages provided that any judgment that results from an appeal by an employee or the City shall prevail.

**Section 4. Indemnification**

Whenever a civilian civil action is made against a member or group of members of the Department relating to his or their conducts as an officer(s), or the manner in which such officer(s) discharges his duties, said member shall be entitled to be represented by the City of Meriden Law Department or other counsel of the City's choice in the event of any future hearing or inquiry as codified in CT General Statutes 7-101a.

**ARTICLE VIII**  
**Grievance Procedure**

**Section 1. Grievances**

No permanent employee shall be removed, dismissed, discharged, suspended, fined or reduced in rank except for just cause. Should any employee or group of employees feel aggrieved concerning disciplinary action, his or their wages, hours, conditions of employment or interpretation and application of Rules, Regulations and Policies of the Police Department, as agreed to hereunder, all of which wages, hours and conditions are controlled by this Contract, adjustments shall be sought as follows:

## Section 2. Grievance Procedure

- a) This grievance procedure may only be utilized by the Union on behalf of its member(s) pursuant to state statutes.
- b) A grievance shall be processed in the following three (3) steps:

STEP ONE – Any employee who has a grievance shall reduce the grievance to writing and submit it to the Chief of Police or his designee within fifteen (15) working days of the date of the occurrence or event causing the grievance. The Chief or his designee shall use his best efforts to settle the dispute. The grievance must state name or names of the aggrieved employee(s), class of employees or Union as a whole, the date the incident occurred, names of all persons involved, if known (i.e., supervisor or witness) and must cite the section(s) of the contract violated if a contract violation is claimed. The Chief's decision shall be submitted in writing to the aggrieved employee and his representative, if represented, within ten (10) working days of receipt of the grievance.

STEP TWO – If the complainant and his representative, if represented, are not satisfied with the decision rendered by the Chief of Police, the employee or his representative shall submit the grievance in writing within ten (10) working days to the Personnel Director. Within fifteen (15) working days after receiving such grievance, the Personnel Director shall render his decision in writing to the aggrieved employee and his representative.

STEP THREE – If the complainant and his representative are not satisfied with the decision rendered, he or his representative may, within fifteen (15) working days, submit the grievance to the Connecticut State Board of Mediation and Arbitration. Said Board shall hear and act on such grievance in accordance with its rules and regulations and render a decision which shall be final and binding on all parties. In the event such grievance involves disciplinary action, the Board of Mediation and Arbitration will have the power to uphold the action of the City or to rescind or modify such action, and such powers shall include but shall not be limited to the right to reinstate a suspended or discharged employee, with full back pay.

Alternate Step 3: Either party may request the option of taking a simple grievance stating a breach of no more than two contract articles to expedited arbitration. Mutual agreement is required and the request must be submitted within seven (7) working days of the step two (2) decision.

- a) The mediation services of the State Board of Mediation and Arbitration may be used in second or third step grievance procedures provided both parties mutually agree on this service.
- b) If either of the parties related to the grievance process desire to meet for the purpose of oral discussion, a meeting shall be requested and scheduled.
- c) Time extensions beyond those stipulated in this Grievance Procedure may be arrived at by mutual agreement between the City and the Union and shall be in writing.
- d) Either party shall have the right to employ a public stenographer at any step in this grievance at its own expense.

- e) The Police Union shall be entitled to submit grievances in the name of the Police union in the same manner as is provided herein for employees.
- f) Employees and the Police Union shall have the right and choice of representation whenever representation is desired by either an employee or the Police Union.
- g) Time Limitation:  
If a grievance is not submitted and/or appealed within the prescribed time limits, including the provisions for time limit extensions, it shall be deemed settled at the previous step. If the City fails to meet and/or answer any grievance within the prescribed time limits as hereinbefore provided, including the provisions for time limit extension, such grievance may be processed to the next step.
- h) The definition of working days as used in this Article shall mean Monday through Friday and shall exclude Saturday, Sunday and Holidays.
- i) Any hearings which may be held in the first three steps of this Grievance Procedure shall be closed to the public, including the press, unless both parties agree that it be an open hearing.
- j) In matters relative to disciplinary actions taken by the Chief, the Union may elect to grieve at Step 1 or Step 2 of the Grievance Procedure.

## **ARTICLE IX**

### **Union Business Leave**

#### **Section 1. Negotiating Committee**

The three (3) members of the Union Negotiating Committee shall be granted leave from duty with full pay for all meetings between the City and the Union for the purpose of negotiating the terms of Contract when such meetings take place at a time during which such members are scheduled to be on duty. (If such meetings extend to within four (4) hours of the time such members are scheduled to be on duty, such member shall be relieved of duty with pay for that tour).

#### **Section 2. Grievance Committee**

The two (2) members of the Union Grievance Committee shall be granted leave from duty with full pay for all meetings between the City and the Union for the purpose of processing grievances, when such meetings take place at a time during which such members are scheduled to be on duty.

#### **Section 3. Union Business Days**

Such officers and members of the Union, as may be designated by the Union, shall be granted leave from duty with full pay for Union business while attending Council, State or National Labor Conventions or educational conferences, Union meetings, or council conferences; provided that the total leave for the bargaining unit for the purpose set forth in this Section shall

not exceed 20 working days per year. In no event shall this leave be granted to more than two (2) employees on duty on any given shift (a third employee who does not need to be replaced may also attend.) Proof of attendance and/or brochure may be required.

If an employee has a paid position with the national union this leave shall not cover such absences and his/her personal time must be used.

**ARTICLE X**  
**Paid Holidays**

**Section 1. Holiday Pay/Premium**

Holiday pay is defined as a day's pay for each of the following legally observed holidays. A Holiday Choice Day is an additional floating holiday in lieu of holiday pay for each of the following legally observed holidays. Each employee who works on a holiday shall in addition receive the rate of time and one half for the hours so worked. Each employee who works on Christmas Day, Thanksgiving Day and Independence Day shall receive double time rather than time and one half.

**New Year's Day**  
**President's Day**  
**Martin Luther King Day**  
**Good Friday**

**Memorial Day**  
**Juneteenth**  
**Independence Day**  
**Labor Day**

**Veterans' Day**  
**Thanksgiving Day**  
**Day after Thanksgiving**  
**Christmas Day**

The Holiday work schedule, Holiday Choice Day eligibility and Holiday Pay eligibility for each Work Assignment/Division and Work Schedule is depicted in the chart below.

<b>Work Assignment / Division</b>	<b>Work Schedule</b>	<b>Reports to work on Holiday</b>	<b>Holiday Choice Day Eligible</b>	<b>Holiday Choice Days Available</b>	<b>Holiday Pay Eligible</b>
<b>Patrol</b>	<b>4 &amp; 2</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>Corporal</b>	<b>4 &amp; 2</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>Corporal</b>	<b>5 &amp; 2</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>N.I.</b>	<b>4 &amp; 2</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>N.I.</b>	<b>5 &amp; 2</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>SRO</b>	<b>5 &amp; 2</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>ADMIN*</b>	<b>5 &amp; 2</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>NO</b>
<b>DB*</b>	<b>5 &amp; 2</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>NO</b>

\*With respect to those Members in the "Police Employees' Pension Plan Part II Special Acts" who retire on or after the date of approval of this contract by the Meriden City Council and who are no longer eligible to receive holiday pay, as a result of this agreement, the Emoluments shall include holiday pay based on the prevailing rate of holiday pay as of the date of each member's retirement as if the member was being paid holiday pay for all holidays included in the contract.

\*With respect to those Members in the "Municipal Employees Pension Plan" who retire on or after the date of approval of this contract by the Meriden City Council and who are no longer eligible to receive holiday pay as a result of this agreement, the amount of "Pay" as defined in Section 35-1D of that pension plan shall include holiday pay based on the prevailing rate of holiday pay as of the date of each member's retirement as if the member was being paid holiday pay for all holidays included in the contract.

For the above legally observed holidays, the ADMIN and DB personnel will follow the City Hall work schedule. ADMIN and DB shall also follow the City Hall work schedule for non-essential personnel as directed by the City Manager regarding the closure of City Hall for snow days or other inclement weather.

#### **Section 1a. Floating Holiday in lieu of holiday pay.**

Employees who are eligible for Holiday Choice days as shown in the above chart may elect an additional floating holiday in lieu of holiday pay for each of the above holidays.

Thirty (30) days prior to the bid shift changes, each employee shall complete a Holiday Choice Form for the Holidays that fall in the upcoming bid cycle, the employee will make an irrevocable choice for either holiday pay or floating holidays in lieu of holiday pay.

Employees who elect to have additional floating holidays in lieu of pay, shall have such days added to their floating holiday bank at the start of the respective upcoming bid shift.

If an employee elects a day off it will be treated like a "floating holiday." Only one (1) employee per shift may be off on a floating holiday except as specifically designated by the Chief of Police.

Employees who have been denied use of floating holidays in lieu of holiday pay, and are subsequently unable to use them before the end of the calendar year, shall be allowed to carry them over (up to a total of six (6)). This does not include the four (4) they receive at the beginning of each calendar year.

#### **Section 2. Floating Holidays**

- a) For employees hired before September 1, 2015 in addition to the holidays as set forth in Section 1 of this Article, each employee shall receive four (4) "Floating" holidays which he/she may take off with pay at his/her convenience, subject to the following restrictions: An employee desiring to take a "Floating" holiday shall be required to provide his/her supervisor with a minimum of eight (8) hours' notice prior to taking "Floating" holiday time. The first member to give notice shall be given preference. In the event of a conflict (i.e., two or more members give notice

at the same time for the same date), preference shall be given the employee with the greatest amount of regular Police Department service. No more than one employee may be on a floating holiday, per watch, per day. Any employee who fails to use his floating holidays prior to the end of the calendar year shall forfeit the holidays. In unusual circumstances the Chief shall have the right to waive the foregoing restrictions.

- b) For employees hired after September 1, 2015 in addition to the holidays as set forth in Section 1 of this Article, each employee shall receive two (2) "Floating" holidays which he/she may take off with pay at his/her convenience, subject to the following restrictions: An employee desiring to take a "Floating" holiday shall be required to provide his/her supervisor with a minimum of eight (8) hours' notice prior to taking "Floating" holiday time. The first member to give notice shall be given preference. In the event of a conflict (i.e., two or more members give notice at the same time for the same date), preference shall be given the employee with the greatest amount of regular Police Department service. No more than one employee may be on a floating holiday, per watch, per day. Any employee who fails to use his floating holidays prior to the end of the calendar year shall forfeit the holidays. In unusual circumstances the Chief shall have the right to waive the foregoing restrictions.

### **Section 3. Unforeseen Holidays**

In the event of an unforeseen national or state holiday that is declared as such and is in fact celebrated by the municipality, each employee shall receive an additional day of holiday pay, whether or not the employee worked on said date.

## **ARTICLE XI** **Work Week**

### **Section 1. Work Week**

The regular work week for all employees in the bargaining unit shall average not more than forty (40) Hours computed over a period of one (1) fiscal year based on the following schedule. The work schedule for all members of the bargaining unit shall be a constant repetition of four (4) consecutive eight (8) hour days worked, followed by two (2) consecutive days off except as stated in Section 3 of this Article. 4 & 2 work schedule: A continuous work schedule of four (4) consecutive eight (8) hours worked, followed by two (2) consecutive days off.

### **Section 2. Work Shifts and Hours of Work**

Employees may bid for one of the following work shifts and hours of work, according to the bidding process outlined in Section 4.

- 1<sup>st</sup> Watch:** 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. (primary patrol shift)  
12:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. (overlap patrol shift)  
10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. (overlap shift)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Watch:** 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (primary patrol shift)  
8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (overlap patrol shift)  
6:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (overlap shift)

**3<sup>rd</sup> Watch:** 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. (primary patrol shift)  
4:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. (overlap patrol shift)  
6:30 p.m. to 2:30 a.m. (overlap patrol shift)  
2:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. (overlap shift)

One Officer and one Supervisor per shift may bid for early (overlap) bid by seniority.

**DEFINITIONS:**

**Patrol Watch:** Refers to the 8-hours work shift that the employee is assigned to, based on bidding, regardless of the actual starting time of the employee. (The words watch and shift are interchangeable).

**Day off Grouping:** Refers to one of three (3) day off groupings for employees who are assigned to a 4 and 2 work schedule. Day off groupings are referred to as Group 1, Group 2, or Group 3.

**Squad:** Employees are assigned a Squad according to their day off grouping. Employees share the same four workdays as the Sergeant assigned to that Squad.

**Flex Schedule:** Captains who are assigned to Patrol Services shall be allowed to vary their starting times and work a flexible work shift, depending on the needs of the Department, with the approval of the Chief of Police and with the consent of the employee.

**5 & 2 work schedule:** A continuous work schedule of five (5) consecutive eight (8) hours worked, followed by two (2) consecutive days off, with fixed days off each week, as indicated in the chart below.

**Work Week:** A work period shall consist of one (1) work week. The work week shall commence on Sunday at 12:01 a.m. and end the following Saturday at midnight.

**Flex Hours:** Patrol officers assigned to a particular Watch, shall be permitted to flex their hours on a given workday and work a different work shift and/or hours of work, to the extent permitted by the provisions of Article XI, Section 4.

**Seniority:** For the purpose of bidding, seniority is determined according to the provisions in Section XXI, Seniority.

The Chief of Police has the sole prerogative to determine how many employees (Patrol Officers and Supervisors) will be assigned to each of the above hours of work as stated in Section 2 above (primary and overlap patrol shifts). When staffing permits, a minimum of fifteen (15) patrol officers shall be assigned to each Watch. Other hours of work may be established with the approval of the Chief of Police, the Union, and the employee, providing this section shall not be

used for purposes of undermining the bargaining unit, nor to impair the efficient management of the Department.

One Corporal per watch; (i.e. only on these shifts-7a.m.-3p.m. or 3 p.m.-11p.m. or 11 p.m. - 7a.m.) shall be allowed to work a 5 & 2 schedule for the entire bid cycle. The Corporal with the most seniority in terms of total years of service with the department shall be provided with first choice of working this 5 & 2 schedule, with successive choices likewise being determined by said seniority in terms of total years of service.

**Section 3. Work Assignments**

Employees assigned to Patrol Services shall be allowed to choose their primary work shift and hours of work according to their seniority (time in rank). However, the City and the Union understand and agree, that from time-to-time that there may be extraordinary circumstances, events, and/or reasons, where the right of such employee may be denied.

Likewise, the Chief of Police may also temporarily assign employees working in Patrol Services to a particular work shift and/or hours of work, up to a four (4) month duration, on the basis of personal hardship or exceptions. (Personal hardships, extraordinary circumstances, events, reasons, and/or exceptions, may be granted with the approval of the Chief of Police and the Union, providing these exceptions shall not be used for purposes of undermining the bargaining unit, nor to impair the efficient management of the Department. The granting, or denial, of such decisions, shall not be subject to the grievance procedure as long as the reasons meet those above and are clearly stated). Employees requesting such consideration shall make their request in writing to the Chief of Police.

The work schedule and hours of work for all employees are as follows:

RANK	ASSIGNMENT	WORK SCHEDULE	DAYS OFF	WORK SHIFT/ DETERMINED BY
Patrol Officer	Patrol Services	4&2	Rotates	Bid by Seniority
Canine Officer	Patrol Services	4&2	Rotates	Bid by Seniority
Patrol Officer	Court Liaison Unit	5&2	Sat/Sun	7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Patrol Officer	School Resource Officer (assigned to a school during the school year)	5&2	Sat/Sun	7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., or 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. depending on the needs of the school.
	School Resource Officer (assigned to Patrol Services (during the summer))	4&2	Rotates	Chief of Police
Detective	Major crimes, special investigative bureau, special crimes, and identification unit:	5&2	Sat/Sun or Weekdays	7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. or 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
			Sat/ Sun	3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.
Sergeant	Patrol Services	4&2	Rotates	Bid by Seniority

RANK	ASSIGNMENT	WORK SCHEDULE	DAYS OFF	WORK SHIFT/ DETERMINED BY
Detective Sergeant	Major crimes, special investigative bureau, special crimes and identification unit	5&2	Sat/Sun	7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.
Lieutenant	Patrol Services	4&2	Rotates	Bid by Seniority
Detective Lieutenant	Major crimes, special investigative bureau, special crimes and identification unit	5&2	Sat/Sun	8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Captain		5&2	Sat/Sun	Flex Schedule
	Professional Development Unit	5&2	Sat/Sun	8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
	Professional Standards Unit/ Scheduling	5&2	Sat/Sun	7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. or 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
	Parking Enforcement	5&2	Sat/Sun	8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
	Motorcycle Officer	4&2	Rotates	8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. or any regular patrol hrs.
	Internal Affairs Unit	5&2	Sat/Sun	8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Records		5&2	Sat/Sun	8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
	Adjutant to Chief	5&2	Sat/Sun	8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. or flex schedule
	External Affairs Unit	5&2	Sat/Sun	8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. or flex schedule
Lieutenant/ Captain	Task Force Supervisor	5&2	Sat/Sun	8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. or flex schedule
Sergeant/ Lieutenant	Special Operations Tactical Unit	5&2	Sat/ Sun	8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. or flex schedule

The Meriden Police Union and the City agree not to contest the civilianization of the Training Coordinator and Scheduling Clerk positions. It is agreed that this is shared work and as such off hour/absences will be covered by Local 1016.

This does not waive the Union's right to contest other civilianization, however, is being agreed upon as the. Union recognizes the need for savings in the current budget and keeping police officers on the street. This, in no way, warrants the city's argument that civilianization in these cases meet the rules under MERA.

There will always be one (1) light duty position (includes off duty injuries). Their work schedule shall be determined by the Chief of Police or their designee.

#### **Section 4. Shift Bids**

Patrol Officers, Sergeants, and Lieutenants, assigned to Patrol Services, will be allowed to bid for their work shift and hours of work according to the provisions of Section 3. Probationary

employees shall not have any bidding rights, and shall be assigned as determined by the Chief of Police, and shall remain in their assignment until the end of the 4-month bid cycle, if the end of their probation occurs within sixty (60) days of the completion of the 4-month bid cycle. Otherwise the employee shall be transferred and the vacancy shall be filled as indicated below.

Shift bids will be for a four (4) month duration as follows:

January 15th to May 14th

May 15th to September 14th

September 15th to January 14th

Bid notices shall be issued no later than forty-five (45) days in advance of the next shift change.

Employees shall have fifteen (15) days to submit their bid, indicating their choice of work shift and hours of work. Employees cannot choose their day off grouping. Employees shall be given the opportunity to indicate their 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choice by priority. Employees on extended leave shall be entitled to submit their request prior to the official notice date. Employees desiring no change in work shift or hours of work must still submit a bid form. Any employee who fails to submit a bid request may forfeit their right to bid for the coming 4-month work cycle, and will be assigned as determined by the Chief of Police.

The Department shall post all bids, indicating the work shift (Watch), hours of work, and day off grouping (Squad) at least fifteen (15) days in advance of all changes.

Employees, who are awarded their bids, thus resulting in a change of work shift, hours of work, and/or work group, will be allowed to complete their current work cycle including their days off prior to the beginning of their bid cycle. All transfers shall take place within seven (7) days of the start of the new 4-month bid cycle.

If the Chief of Police decides to fill a vacancy on a particular work shift, hours of work, or work group, during the 4-month period, for reasons such as the retirement, resignation, reassignment, promotion, long-term absence, or dismissal of an employee, the position shall be filled for the duration of that bid cycle, as follows:

1. Reassignment of a Probationary employee
2. Reassignment of an employee, based on seniority, who had bid for that particular work shift and/or hours of work during the last bid process.
3. Reassignment of an employee based on reverse seniority. Exceptions for personal hardship may be granted, as indicated above.

Upon successfully bidding to a particular work shift and/or hours of work, employees must remain in their assignment until the completion of the 4-month bid cycle, unless promoted or assigned to a five and two work assignment, i.e., a non-patrol duty assignment. Once assigned, employees shall be prohibited from swapping their assignment (work shift, hours of work, and/or work group) with another employee.

To prevent the bid shift and the rights of seniority from being circumvented, employees will be allowed to swap a work shift, in whole or in part, with another employee once during each work cycle (4 consecutive work days), unless permitted otherwise by the Chief of Police. However, the Chief of Police shall have the right to limit the frequency of shift swaps for those employees who demonstrate that they are either using this provision to circumvent the seniority rights of other employees, or have developed a pattern of swapping that indicates that they have created a work schedule that is not consistent with the contractual work schedule.

If an employee does not repay the Swap he has agreed to more than twice in one (1) year period, he will be prohibited from swapping for 1 year from the second instance.

Employees will be able to flex their work shifts and/or hours of work, generally for operational effectiveness, with the approval of the Chief of Police. Such reasons include, attending meetings, or following-up on a particular crime problem/investigation or quality of life issue, and for other purposes, when the granting of such requests will not result in a reduction of staffing below the minimum levels established by the Chief of Police. When granted, such adjustments shall be determined on a "first-come first-served" basis.

Relatives (e.g. husband, wife, father, son, brother, sister) shall not be assigned to the same shift where they would function in a supervisor subordinate relationship. Any relations presently employed in such capacity shall continue in the present assignment until such time as one or the other is promoted (or changes shift or assignment). In future conflicts over shift/assignment; seniority shall prevail.

#### **Section 5. Patrol Assignments**

Patrol Officers assigned to Patrol Services may utilize a variety of patrol tactics, including the use of foot patrol; bicycle patrol; canine patrol, motorized patrol, consisting of a marked or unmarked police cruiser, motorcycle, or ATV, depending on the circumstances as provided by the Chief or his designee.

#### **Section 6. Detectives**

All Detectives in the Major Crime Unit, below the rank of Sergeant shall work a five-day (5) workweek with two (2) consecutive days off, usually Saturday and Sunday, except as described below. Detectives shall rotate between the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Watch, working one twenty-eight (28) day period on the 2<sup>nd</sup> watch (weekends off); one twenty-eight (28) day period on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Watch (weekdays off); followed by one twenty-eight (28) day period on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Watch (weekends off), and work the hours as indicated above.

Detectives may be assigned to other hours of work as provided in Section 3, Work Assignments. It is understood that no acting detective supervisor's pay shall be paid where there is no Sergeant on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Watch.

### **Section 7. School Resource Officers**

School Resource Officer (SRO) is a uniformed assignment, not a promotion, part of Patrol Services, and as such, employees can be moved back to regular patrol by the Chief of Police with twenty-eight (28) days' notice.

SROs will work the work shift and hours as depicted in the chart in Section 3, however, in the event there is a school function, such as PTA meetings, fund raising events, etc., outside of the established work hours or days, the SRO will be expected to notify the Chief of Police, or designee, and change/flex his/her hours to accommodate such functions.

In the event an SRO is needed at a school function and cannot flex his/her hours, time spent will be either compensatory time or overtime at one and one-half (1 1/2) hours, per hour worked in excess of the normal work week.

SROs shall submit their schedule to the Chief of Police, or designee, on a monthly basis. Approval of such schedule is at the discretion of the Department. Changes to the schedule should be cleared through the Chief of Police, or designee. SROs should show preparation time, office hours, functions, etc., on their schedule. Attendance at roll call is at the Department's discretion. The Department may designate an alternate check-in to meet the roll call requirements.

At events where an officer has traditionally been used for private duty, the SRO may be there in addition to the officer(s) hired on private duty, (i.e., dances, large sporting events, graduations, etc.).

SROs shall submit their school's calendar to the Chief of Police, or designee, at the beginning of the school year. When school is not in session due to scheduled vacations, closed because of inclement weather, or cancelled early for the day, the SRO will report to the Chief of Police, or designee, for an assignment in patrol. The Chief of Police, or designee, will determine the specific assignment, according to the Department's needs.

SROs may work in plain clothes when deemed necessary by the Chief of Police, or designee, to address specific problems in their school, the surrounding neighborhoods, or while engaging in such SRO duties as attending meetings within the school while on duty, and while attending other school functions, with the permission of their supervisor.

SROs may also work in plain clothes while assisting Detectives with investigations and undercover surveillance, which are specific aspects of a SRO's job duties, even though it is not intended for an SRO to be a substitute for detectives, or to remove assignments from detectives units.

### **Section 8. Canine Program**

Up to four (4) canine handlers may be selected and assigned to Patrol Division. Canine handlers will bid separately from other members of Patrol. Canine handlers work a 7-hour work shift with 1 hour of paid time for training, canine feeding, grooming, and care. Canine members will be issued an assigned police vehicle suitable for the canine and all equipment for handling the canine.

The chief of police shall determine the number of Canine Handlers bid to each watch. Canine handlers will bid the following primary shifts:  
09:00-16:00, 16:00-23:00, 23:00-06:00.

If two (2) canine handlers are bid to the same watch, where the chief has determined two (2) canine handlers will be bid, then one of the handlers may bid the following shifts:  
08:00-15:00, 15:00-22:00, 22:00-05:00

At the discretion of the Chief of Police, Canine handlers may be provided the opportunity to bid a 19:00-02:00 shift.

Canine Handler seniority for bidding purposes is determined by seniority in the department, not time as a canine handler.

Any member selected as a canine handler shall reside within 30 minutes response time. Canine handlers responding to a call-in must respond within thirty (30) minutes.

Members selected as a canine handler must commit to three (3) years as a patrol officer handling the canine. Canine handlers must be patrol officers.

#### **Section 9. Crime Suppression Unit**

A Crime Suppression Unit shall be established consisting of up to three Detectives, three (3) Patrol Officers, and one (1) Detective Supervisor as the Unit Commander. The Crime Suppression Unit shall be part of the Detective Division.

The Crime Suppression Unit shall have responsibilities regarding robberies, narcotics, and vice crimes.

If there are patrol members of the Crime Suppression Unit they shall serve for at least one hundred twenty (120) days prior to transfer.

The Crime Suppression Unit shall have a flexible schedule of hours of work on 5/2 schedule with Saturday and Sunday off, or flex as needed.

The Crime Suppression Unit is not intended to circumvent the normal operations of the Detective Division and patrol members so assigned shall not perform duties normally performed by Major Crimes, Evidence, Special Crimes, or other Detective assignments.

The Crime Suppression Unit is normally a plainclothes assignment for Patrol personnel so assigned. Patrol Officers may be required to wear duty uniforms and equipment on occasion. All members assigned shall be issued concealment holsters and other equipment required for non-uniformed assignments.

### **Section 10. Corporal Position**

The top ten (10) Union members assigned to the Patrol Division as police officers with fifteen (15) or more years of commendable service, as determined by the Chief of Police and upon recommendation of the members' immediate supervisors, Watch Commander, and Command Staff. The member must request consideration for the position, in writing, and forward the request to the Chief of Police through the appropriate Chain-of-Command.

The position does not have any supervisory responsibility or any authority beyond that of a senior patrol officer. Corporals will not be eligible for any supervisor overtime, nor will they receive any type of compensation or pay raise. The position will not require testing, only the completion of fifteen (15) years of commendable service as a senior patrol officer assigned to the Patrol Division.

The benefit of the position is to identify the member as a senior officer within the Patrol Division who has been recognized as a member in good standing, as determined by the Chief of Police and upon recommendation of the member's immediate supervisors, Watch Commander, and Command Staff. The member, upon appointment by the Chief of Police, may replace his/her badge and name tag with the Corporal designation. The appointed member may also wear the Corporal designation (two stripes) below the shoulder patch on his/her uniform shirt. The member will pay for the Corporal designations out of his/her annual clothing allotment. The Chief of Police may revoke the member's appointment to the position of Corporal based on poor performance and/or discipline resulting in suspension.

### **Section 11. Reporting Time and Roll Call**

Employees shall report to work at the Department, unless directed otherwise, and be fully dressed, equipped, and ready for duty at the start of their assigned work shift. Employees assigned to Patrol Services shall report directly to the Roll Call Room. All other employees shall report to their work area.

Employees shall remain on duty, fully dressed and equipped, until the end of their work shift. Employees assigned to Patrol Services shall not go off-duty until the oncoming work shift is present. Unless so authorized all employees shall go off duty at the end of their respective shift.

All employees shall be allowed a thirty (30) minute meal break during each eight (8) hour tour of duty, provided the employee actually works a minimum of six (6) hours during the shift. The Department shall prescribe the meal period for all employees. The meal period is part of the eight (8) hours worked, thus, employees are considered in a paid, on-duty, and work status while on meal breaks, and may be subject to calls, if no one else is available. It is the responsibility of Shift Commanders and Unit Supervisors to ensure that every employee is provided a meal break.

### **Section 12. Meal Period and Break Period**

Each employee shall be granted a 30 minute meal period for every 6 hours working. Each employee shall be granted a 15 minute break during the same 8 hour work period. Employees who fail to request break or meal shall be deemed to have forfeited the break for that period.

### **Section 13. Comp Time**

All employees shall be permitted to earn compensatory time at the rate of time and one-half (1 1/2) in lieu of overtime. Comp time shall be requested eight (8) hours in advance of the start of the employees assigned hours of work. Comp time shall otherwise be treated like a vacation day, however, the Chief of Police or their designee may regulate the number of employees that may be off on comp-time on any given work shift and/or assignment. All employees are permitted to carry a maximum of ninety-six (96) hours of comp-time on the books.

An employee may request to take compensatory time in increments of one (1) or more hours. Such request will be allowed if there is no replacement cost for the officer's time off. An employee is not permitted to a lunch break if they utilize comp during their shift.

Employees may request to use compensatory time with less than eight (8) hours notice if a replacement officer is not required; however, the Watch Commander has the sole discretion to grant or deny this request. The Watch Commander will take into consideration the operational needs of the Department, such as call volume, available units, scheduled public events, etc. when determining whether to grant such requests.

Employees shall be allowed to do a "comp-for-comp" switch with another employee, in which the employee will give authorization for the employee working his/her work shift, to be credited with twelve hours (12) from his/her comp-time bank. Prior notification and approval is required before this type of swap if allowed.

All comp-time accumulated during the calendar year, January 1 to December 31, must be taken by March 31 of the following year, and if not, the Department reserves the right to require to have employees schedule comp days off during the period from April 1 to June 30, for any such hours earned in the previous year and remaining on the books after March 31.

Any such hours earned in the previous year and still remaining on the books due to employee not being allowed to take it by June 30 shall be paid out to employees at the hourly rate of pay the time was earned at. Upon retirement, any comp-time hours still remaining on the books shall be paid to employees at the time it was earned at.

### **Section 14. Neighborhood Initiative**

Neighborhood Initiative is a uniformed patrol assignment and as such the officer's primary duties are law enforcement. Officers must volunteer for the appointment to be a Neighborhood Initiative Officer. While the intent of Neighborhood Initiative is for officers to respond to the needs of their assigned area, officers are still members of the patrol division and as such they may on occasion, be needed to perform Patrol Division work. The job description is that of a patrol officer. In addition to this description, the Neighborhood Initiative Officer shall organize the community, plan and institute community based efforts to eliminate problems and work with other agencies and city departments.

Neighborhood Initiative officers will work in plain clothes if necessary by the officer and approved by his supervisor to address specific problems of the neighborhood or while engaging in such Neighborhood Initiative duties as attending meetings within the community while on

duty and attending other neighborhood functions with the permission of the supervisor. Neighborhood Initiative Officers may also work in plain clothes while assisting the detective bureau with investigations and undercover surveillance, which are specific aspects of the Neighborhood Initiative Officer's duties. It is not intended that the Neighborhood Initiative Officers be a substitute for detectives or to remove assignments from the detective division.

Neighborhood Initiative Officers will normally be assigned to work 0800 to 1600, 1600 to 2400 hrs. and will attend roll call to increase the exchange of information and to increase the effective communication among line patrol officers and their supervisors. Neighborhood Initiative Officers may also work 1800 to 0200 hrs., 0700 to 1500 hrs.; 1500 to 2300 hrs. The shift will be determined in conjunction with the community, their supervisor, who shall have the right to reject a proposed schedule and suggest a change to the schedule where a documented need of the community demonstrates that coverage is needed. The decision to reject an officer's proposed schedule shall be based in even parts, on the needs of the community, officer and supervisor. If an officer believes that the needs of the community were not taken into consideration in a suggested change by the supervisor, the officer may raise this point with the captain in charge of patrol/Neighborhood Initiative and thereafter may challenge the decision through the grievance process contained herein. The Department may require that a Neighborhood Initiative Officer work up to two non-day shifts in a five (5) day period if the community has such a need. Schedules will be presented to the supervisor in at least 28-day increments (with the understanding that changes may need to occur due to the needs of the community, such changes will be communicated to the Supervisor, Scheduling Officer and Training Officer.)

Neighborhood Initiative Officers agree to be available to address specific emergency concerns that may arise in their respective neighborhoods on short notice. It is the responsibility of the Neighborhood Initiative Officer, in partnership with their communities, to have flexibility to handle these problems outside the hours stated above.

Article XII (Overtime) of the collective bargaining agreement will apply, except as noted below.

Additionally all Neighborhood Initiative Officers involved in specific Neighborhood Initiative activities/events and these activities/events occur outside his/her normal working hours, he/she may elect to be compensated for this time either at a rate of pay based on time and a half, or compensated with time off to be calculated at a rate of one and a half hours of compensatory time for each hour actually worked. There shall be no more than ninety-six (96) such hours accrued and when such an officer elects to use comp time it shall be taken in increments of one (1) or more hours. Any compensatory time above the ninety-six (96) hours maximum accrual shall be paid exclusively at the overtime rate of time and one half. Neighborhood Initiative Officers will record their time on a form provided by the Department.

When a Neighborhood Initiative Officer has a neighborhood meeting that he/she is required to attend, then the officer will attempt to change his/her schedule to accommodate the meeting. However, there may arise unforeseeable events that would prevent this change from occurring. If this were to occur, above will apply.

Neighborhood Initiative Officers will have the authority to identify and attempt to solve problems with the community using appropriate police protocols and procedures.

Criminal investigations will be forwarded in the same manner and to the appropriate division, however, it will be the responsibility of the Neighborhood Initiative Officer to identify the cause and source and work towards preventing a reoccurrence. Neighborhood Initiative Officers will choose the best mode of transportation for working on a shift. However, it is the officer's responsibility to interact face to face with the public he/she serves. Officers who primarily use only their patrol car as the mode of transportation may be given specific direction by the supervisor as to how to work on the shift.

**Section 15. Other Assignments**

The City agrees to maintain two (2) employees in an open slot in at least one of the following statewide units at all times:

- Statewide Narcotics Task Force
- Computer Crime Task Force
- Auto Theft Task Force
- Organized Crime
- Gang Task Force
- Terrorism Task Force
- Any other state, federal, or regional Task Force.

In the event an employee is removed from the unit and brought back to the department, the City will have sixty (60) days to fill another slot.

**ARTICLE XII**  
**Overtime**

**Section 1. Overtime Rate/Private-Duty Rate**

Whenever any employee works in excess of eight (8) hours per day or in excess of his normal work week, he shall be paid overtime at the rate of time and one half for all such hours worked. Hours where the City is reimbursed for Police Services performed shall be paid at the time and one-half rate for top step Detective Sergeant.

**Section 2. Overtime Minimum Hours**

Employees who may be required to return to duty to perform overtime duties on a regular working day, and/or when such hours are not contiguous with the regular shift hours, shall be paid not less than four (4) hours pay at time and one half.

Work assignments where the City is reimbursed shall be for a minimum of four (4) hours pay at the time and one-half rate for top step Detective Sergeant. If the work assignment is over four hours, employees shall be paid a minimum of eight (8) hours pay at time and one half top step Detective Sergeant. An assignment over eight (8) hours will then be paid hour by hour. For the purpose of this provision, a regular working day shall be an entire twenty-four (24) hour period commencing at midnight during which the employee is scheduled for a regular tour of duty. This

provision shall include personnel on the 12:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. shifts.

Officers who are called in will be paid from the time they are called, as long as they report within thirty (30) minutes of said call. This language does not increase the 4 hour minimum; it is included in the 4 hour minimum.

An officer who reports more than thirty (30) minutes after the initial call will be paid from when he/she actually reaches the station or assigned location.

### **Section 3. Extended Tours of Duty**

Overtime pay shall not be subject to the minimum hour provisions when such overtime results from extending a tour of duty on any shift to properly complete an investigation or work assignment. When an employee works overtime for a period which is less than one (1) hour, he/she shall be paid at the rate of time and one half in accordance with the following formula:

Less than 15 minutes	No overtime pay
15 — 30 minutes	One half hour overtime pay
31 min - 1 hour	One hour overtime

### **Section 4. Overtime Rotation Lists**

In all overtime assignments, regular members of the department shall be given preference, and shall be allocated by means of a rotation system. As overtime becomes available, assignments shall be offered on a rotation basis. Those employees accepting overtime and those employees who accept an overtime shift or private duty shift shall be placed at the rear of the rotation system. Any employee may make a request to the Chief to remain at the top of the list in extraordinary circumstances.

Supervisors who are on the overtime list will be eligible to fill patrol officer vacancies. If a patrol officer puts in for any time off and needs to be replaced, and another patrol officer or detective does not put in for overtime, then any supervisor who puts in for the shift will be eligible to work the shift at the supervisor's overtime rate.

The City of Meriden agrees that the Private Duty list will be used for guarding hospitalized prisoners.

### **Section 5. New Employee Overtime**

New employees to the department who indicate their desire for such overtime work shall have their names placed at the rear of the rotation system.

### **Section 6. Overtime on Days Off**

Any employee who works on his/her day(s) off shall be paid at the rate of time and one half for all hours so worked with a minimum of four (4) hours overtime being paid.

For an employee who is subpoenaed or needed for an interview for a case on his/her regular scheduled work day (but not shift), he/she will be paid OT for all hours necessary to be in court

or speak to the prosecutor. The officer may, if the appearance is less than four hours, stay and work the remaining time.

### **Section 7. Overtime Rate Computations**

For the purpose of computing overtime only, the regular hourly rate shall be determined by dividing the employee's annual salary by 1950 hours.

### **Section 8. Shift Premium Pay**

All employees whose regularly schedule shift, or tour of duty, commences or carries into the hours between 15:00 and ~~23:00~~ ~~06:59~~ shall receive, in addition to their regular pay, a premium pay of 7% per hour for this work during those hours.

All employees whose regularly scheduled shift, or tour of duty, commences or carries into the hours between 23:00 and 06:59 hours shall receive, in addition to their regular pay, a premium pay of 6% per hour for th's work during those hours.

The additional compensation is to be paid for hours worked and does not apply to periods an employee is on paid absence such as vacation, sick leave, or any other leave of absence with pay.

### **Section 9. Prisoner Search/Processing/Translation**

When it becomes necessary to hire an officer to conduct a search of an arrested female prisoner (female officer only) or if it becomes necessary to translate, process, or assist a victim of a crime, that officer will receive four (4) hours of overtime pay.

- a) Such an officer who is hired for such overtime will respond to headquarters as soon as possible to complete the assignment. Uniform is optional.
- b) Upon completion of the assignment the officer will be "on call" for the duration of the remaining hours and if required will respond back to headquarters for similar work.
- c) Officers will be hired in the customary manner off the list provided. by scheduling.

### **Section 10. Administrative Leave or Administrative Duty**

- a) Except as provided in subsection B below, an employee who is placed on administrative leave or duty, due to an arrest or other circumstances where an Employee is prohibited from carrying a firearm, shall receive their base pay only for the duration of the administrative leave or administrative duty. If on administrative duty, the officer shall be allowed to work any open slot in entry or the desk. In case of a supervisor, if no slot is available they may use accrued time or unpaid leave. The city is under no obligation to find work for an officer without the ability to carry a firearm. If a slot is not available they must use accrued time or unpaid leave. An officer who is unable to carry a firearm for more than 9 months may apply for leave of absence either unpaid or paid (using any accrued time) for up to 3 more months. An officer who is unable to carry a firearm for more than 12 months will be terminated. He/she may reapply to the department upon obtaining his right to carry a firearm and may, if qualified, fill a vacancy.

- b) An employee put on administrative leave or administrative duty due to any on-duty incident shall be allowed pay based on the previous twenty-six (26) weeks average for that employee, except when the Chief and Personnel Director believe the member has committed a serious policy violation or crime which could result in a suspension of more than 15 days, a temporary or permanent demotion or termination, or has been charged with a violent felony or domestic violence crime while off-duty. In these cases, the City may withhold the overtime portion and the employee will receive base pay only. Employees who are not paid their overtime average and subsequently receive disciplinary action of a 15-day suspension or less and have no criminal charges sustained against them, shall be paid lost overtime wages based on the twenty — six week average. The City shall use its best efforts to expedite any administrative or criminal investigation.

### **Section 11. Mandatory Overtime**

All mandatory overtime will be done by inverse seniority and all new employees assigned to the patrol division at full capacity will automatically be placed to the top of the mandatory list.

Once an employee assigned to the patrol division is ordered to complete a mandatory overtime shift, the employees name will be removed from the "master list" and placed on a separate list, as completing a mandatory shift. (As is in most mandatory overtime situations, the need to mandate employees occurs within hours of the situation that makes it necessary to mandate employees assigned to the patrol division (sick call). Therefore, mandated employees will be taken from the prior shift by using the above mandatory overtime list. The mandated employee may utilize the chain of command to request not to work the mandated overtime shift and may be granted an exception to the mandatory overtime shift if there is an exceptional circumstance, if so, his/her name will remain at the top of the list. (Example: mandated employee has a family situation, travel plans, etc.)

Any mandatory overtime called less than eight (8) hours prior to the shift (double time holiday's already in place will not earn additional time), will be paid at a rate of double time. Where the officer has already worked a shift on Christmas Day, Thanksgiving, New Year's Day or Independence Day and he/she is mandated for another shift on the holiday the mandated employee will also receive an additional floating holiday.

The City will maintain a separate list for supervisors assigned to the patrol division and mandate supervisors assigned to the patrol division as prescribed above.

All employees assigned to the patrol division will only be required to complete mandatory overtime according to their ranks (example: a patrolman assigned to the Patrol Division will not be mandated on overtime to replace a supervisor or act in a supervisory capacity, but there will be no distinction between a sergeant or lieutenant when it becomes necessary to mandate a supervisor).

Supervisors at the rank of Sergeant and above who are not working on the day of a mandatory supervisor's meeting (held up to 2 times per year, with at least two(2) weeks' notice) will be expected to attend (unless they have an excused absence ) and will only be paid the minimum 4 hour overtime.

**Section 12. Emergency Mobilization**

In the event the City Manager or his designee declares a Citywide, State wide or national emergency which affects Meriden, the Department may mandate employees in regardless of the shift they are working or day off. Employees will be paid simple overtime up to the first sixteen (16) Hours.

**ARTICLE XIII**

**Training**

**Section 1. Mandatory Certification, Schedule Changes, Transportation**

- a) The Police Department shall provide and/or schedule all mandatory certification training to allow officers to remain certified. It is the responsibility of each Officer to maintain his/her certification and to attend such mandatory training as is necessary. The Police Department will pay for this training.
- b) The training supervisor shall have the right, with no less than fourteen (14) days' notice, to temporarily change an officers day off and shift, up to six (6) times per fiscal year, in order to attend mandatory training. In lieu of travel time, if an officer is scheduled to attend mandatory training outside the City of Meriden, a cruiser will be provided to those attending to be used for transportation to such training.
- c) If no cruisers are available, the officers will be compensated for mileage at the IRS rate.
- d) If mandatory training is outside of a thirty (30) mile radius (one way) the officer will be compensated at time and one half for the total amount of time over eight (8) hours pursuant to FLSA.
- e) If mandatory training falls on an officers day(s) off, he/she will be given another day off in coordination with scheduling within thirty (30) days.
- f) Employees on vacation or on normal weekly days off shall not normally be expected to participate in seminars being held during said period. Any employee requesting to attend seminars on a regular day off, or while on vacation shall be compensated at his straight hourly rate for the time actually spent attending said training and/or sessions. Employees required to attend training seminars on a regular day off or while on vacation shall receive not less than eight (8) hours pay at time and one half. The midnight to 8:00 a.m. shift employees shall not be required to attend said training sessions and/or seminars unless the time period for such training sessions and/or seminars are contiguous with their normal hours of work or unless they choose to attend.

## **Section 2. Language Training/Compensation**

- a) The City may offer employees Spanish language training or sign language on a voluntary basis. No additional pay for the training will be paid. The City will allow flexibility in scheduling to attend if possible.

Employees who attend Spanish language training through an outside educational class such as a continuing educational program shall be reimbursed through Article XXX, Education Incentive and Reimbursement Program.

- b) Employees who are fluent in Spanish or sign language who wish to provide services to the City as a translator for non-English speaking or non-hearing matters, shall receive an additional bilingual services pay at a rate of twenty (\$20.00) dollars per week. Said bilingual services pay will begin thirty (30) days after application to the Director of Personnel.

Employees must remain fluent in Spanish or sign language and may be tested at the City's discretion.

The Chief of Police may add additional languages, at his discretion, as needed by the Department.

## **Section 3. FTO Pay**

Any employee acting as an FTO will receive two (2) additional hours of straight time pay per day or two (2) hours of straight time compensatory time at the discretion of the officer while assigned as an FTO to a recruit.

## **ARTICLE XIV Acting Officers**

### **Section 1. Acting Pay Rates**

Whenever any employee has worked in a higher classification than his regular classification, i.e., Acting Captain, Acting Lieutenant, or Acting Sergeant, such employee for each day of such service shall receive the rate designated in Step E of the higher classification in which he serves in this Acting capacity.

### **Section 2. Long-Term Absences**

- a) All acting assignments of Acting Captain, Acting Lieutenant, or Acting Sergeant for no longer than 28 day work period shall be filled using the "Rule of 3" wherein the acting assignment shall be made from the top three (3) candidates on the last active promotional eligibility list.
- b) If the last promotional eligibility list is exhausted, such assignments shall be offered to qualified employees as provided in a) or b) above, provided, however, management shall have the right to designate the employees qualified for said acting assignments. The eligibility list to be used for this purpose shall be made available to the union.

**ARTICLE XV**  
**Vacations**

**Section 1. Time Based on Years of Service**

Each employee who has completed one (1) year but less than five (5) years of continuous municipal service shall receive two (2) weeks of annual vacation leave with pay; each employee who has completed five (5) but less than ten (10) years of continuous municipal service, shall receive three (3) weeks of annual vacation leave with pay; each employee who has completed ten but less than twenty (20) years of continuous municipal service shall receive four (4) weeks of annual vacation leave with pay, and each employee who has completed twenty (20) or more years of continuous municipal service, shall receive five (5) weeks of annual vacation leave with pay.

Continuous service is only broken through resignation or retirement.

Effective December 31, 2008 employees can automatically carry over a maximum of 1 1/2 times their vacation allotment as of December 31st of each year (no paperwork necessary). Accrued time above the 1 1/2 times will be forfeited.

Employees with more than 1 1/2 times their allotment due to a comp injury or other bonafide Issue may request by December 1", to carry over additional time as the City's discretion.

Request forms need to be approved by the chief and Personnel Director on or before December 1<sup>st</sup> of each year and employee must assure a copy is in their file or no carry over will be allowed.

**Section 2. Vacation Days Granted In January**

- a) Vacation allowance as listed in Section 1 of this Article shall be granted during the calendar year in which the necessary service has been attained.
- b) For Employees hired on or after 1/1/2012 vacation days granted in January will be pro-rated in the last year of employment.

**Section 3. Vacation Limitations/Seniority**

- a) Each employee may choose his weeks of vacation leave at any time throughout the fiscal year, except that the Chief shall have the right to limit the number of employees who may be off duty simultaneously.
- b) In the event of a conflict over the choice of vacation weeks, preference shall be given on the basis of seniority, except that any employee who is entitled to more than two (2) weeks of vacation leave, shall not choose additional time beyond the two (2) weeks until every employee who is entitled to a two (2) week vacation has chosen time.

**Section 4. Vacation Payout Death Benefit**

In the event that an employee is entitled to vacation leave at the time of his death, his dependent survivors shall receive a sum of money that shall be equal to one (1) week's pay for each week of vacation leave due such employee to a maximum of sixty (60) days.

**Section 5. Vacation Payout Upon Retirement**

In the event that an employee is entitled to vacation leave at the time of his retirement, he shall receive one (1) week of vacation pay for each week of such leave to a maximum of sixty (60) days. This provision does not apply if an employee is terminated by the City in which case no vacation payout will be made.

**Section 6. Work on Vacation Days**

Any employee who works for the Department during his regularly scheduled vacation time shall be paid at the rate of time-and-one half for all such hours, or any portion thereof, worked.

**Section 7. Vacation Used on Daily Basis**

When an employee elects to take his vacation time on a daily basis, he shall not be entitled to more than three (3) consecutive vacation days at one (1) time. Vacation may be requested without notice if a replacement can be secured, will not result in overtime, and the operational needs of the Department allow.

An employee may, at any time, request to take vacation time in increments of one (1) or more hours. Such request will be allowed if there is no replacement cost for the officer's time off. An employee is not permitted to a lunch break if they utilize vacation time during their shift.

**Section 8. Vacation Day Accounting**

The method of computing vacation days used and balance due will be changed to reflect a day for day accounting i.e., four (4) days scheduled to work in a work week and a vacation week is approved and taken -four (4) days will be taken from accrued vacation balance. The amount of payment for weekly wages will remain at 40 hours per work week.

**ARTICLE XVI**

**Sick Leave**

**Section 1. Accrual of Sick Leave**

Each employee shall be entitled to accrue at the rate of one and one-quarter (1.25) working days of sick leave with full pay per working month. Any portion of sick leave which has been or shall be unused shall be accumulated up to ninety (90) working days. Each employee's service prior to the effective date of this Contract shall be credited toward the amount of accumulated sick leave to which such employee is entitled. Whenever any employee exhausts his/her sick leave, such leave may be extended upon the approval of the Chief and Director of Personnel upon application of such employee.

Upon being sworn in as a Police Officer, employees shall be credited with one and one quarter (1.25) sick days for each full month he/she was in the Academy.

## **Section 2. Sick Leave Defined. Undesignated Sick (UDS) Days Defined**

Sick leave as used in this Article is defined as absence from work without loss of pay as a result of a bona-fide illness, injury, disability, or pregnancy. However, the City and the Union realize that there may be times when an employee needs a day off from scheduled work for reasons other than sickness, vacation, and other allowed leave with pay. Therefore, the following sick leave time incentive is offered.

- a) "An undesignated sick leave day," as used in this Article, is defined as absence from work without loss of pay for any reason upon formal notification to the scheduling officer or desk sergeant by the employee.
- b) Each employee may elect to use up to five (5) of his annual accrued sick leave days as "undesignated sick leave days."
- c) An employee who elects to take an "undesignated sick leave day" shall follow the guidelines listed below:
  1. The employee shall notify the desk sergeant prior to the start of the scheduled work shift that he is electing to use an undesignated sick leave day.
  2. An employee cannot take more than one (1) "undesignated sick leave day" in a work week.
  3. An employee cannot take an "undesignated sick leave day" on any contractual Holiday.
  4. An employee must have at least five (5) sick leave days prior to taking an "undesignated sick leave day."
  5. The use of a UDS Day does not interrupt the Earned Day accrual cycle, only the use of a sick day does. Earned Day accrual cycles are 90 days for employees hired before 7/1/14 and 180 days for employees hired after that date.
- d) "Undesignated sick leave days" not used, will accumulate, as always, towards the total contractual allotment of fifteen (15) annual sick leave days.

## **Section 3. Sick Time Donations**

A Union may request that sick time donations be made to employees. These donations must be approved by the Personnel Director. Restrictions on amount of time donated, use of time, how often an employee may receive donations, and if donations will be taken is within the sole discretion of the Personnel Director. In no case will an employee be paid out in cash for any time donated to them. Employees must exhaust their accumulated sick leave before being eligible for sick leave donations. All donated time will count toward and not be in addition to the twelve (12) week FMLA entitlement.

Any questions or concerns regarding sick time, FMLA usage, or absences should be referred to the Personnel Director.

**Section 3a. Earned Days**

- a) Each employee, who after working ninety (90) consecutive work or Academy days without any lost time, due to illness, will accrue one (1) earned day off. This will include: Scheduled days off, vacation days, switches, union days, floating holidays, bereavement leave, military leave, special assignments, training days, and range days. Suspension or termination is not a valid reason for lost time. Injury leave and FMLA leave will stop consecutive count of days toward "perfect attendance" and will resume when the officer returns to work.
- b) Each earned day must be taken within the three (3) month time period that follows and approved according to contractual guidelines for vacation requests.
- c) Each employee hired after 7/1/14, who after working 180 consecutive work or Academy days without any lost time, due to illness, will accrue one (1) earned day off. This will include: Scheduled days off, vacation days, switches, union days, floating holidays, bereavement leave, military leave, special assignments, training days, and range days. Suspension or termination is not a valid reason for lost time. Injury leave and FMLA leave will stop consecutive count of days toward "perfect attendance" and will resume when the officer returns to work.
- d) Each earned day must be taken within the six (6) month time period that follows and approved according to contractual guidelines for vacation requests.
- e) If an officer or supervisor assigned to Patrol Division (excluding Specialized Assignments) works 12 consecutive months in the Patrol Division without using an Undesignated Sick Day or a Sick Day, they will be granted 1 additional day off with pay.

**Section 4. Sick Leave Payout**

- a) When an employee reaches his ninetieth (90) day maximum accumulation of sick leave, in any fiscal year, a separate accounting shall be maintained in order to provide payment for his base daily rate of pay for each unused sick leave day beyond the ninety (90) days he should have accumulated. The maximum number of days beyond ninety (90) which may be computed at his base daily rate of pay shall be fifteen (15) days in any fiscal year. Such payment shall then erase all accumulated sick leave beyond ninety (90) days for said fiscal year.
- b) Effective for employees hired on or after July 1, 2012, when an employee reaches his ninetieth (90) day maximum accumulation of sick leave, in any fiscal year, a separate accounting shall be maintained in order to provide payment at his base daily rate of pay for ½ of each unused sick leave day beyond ninety (90) days he has accumulated. The maximum number of days beyond ninety (90) which may be computed at his base daily rate of pay shall be seven and one half (7 ½) days for said fiscal year. Such payment shall then erase all accumulated sick leave beyond ninety (90) days for said fiscal year.

**Section 5. Terminal Leave Pay**

- A. For employees hired before January 1, 2012, upon retirement or death of any employee, such employee or the employee's dependent survivors, as the case may be, shall receive terminal leave pay in lieu of any accumulated sick leave to which he is entitled at the time of his death or

retirement. Terminal leave pay shall be computed by dividing the employees weekly base pay by five (5) and then multiplied by the number of accumulated sick leave days to which he/she is entitled to at the time of his death or retirement.

B. For employees hired on or after January 1, 2012, upon resignation, retirement or death, such employee, shall receive terminal leave pay in lieu of any accumulated sick leave to which he is entitled at the time of his death or retirement. Terminal leave pay shall be computed by dividing the employees weekly base pay by five (5) and then multiplied by the number of accumulated sick leave days to which he/she is entitled to at the time of his retirement, and paying one half of this amount, no more than fifty three (53) sick days may be paid out except that any employee with twenty five (25) or more years of City service at retirement or death may be paid out for up to sixty (60) days of accumulated time. In the event of the employee's death his/her beneficiary will receive the full payout of sick time up to ninety (90) days. The above does not apply if an employee is terminated by the City in which case no sick payout will be made.

C. Payment for above unused sick leave shall be made in one lump sum in July of the fiscal year following that year in which the payment is for. This payment shall be made in a separate check from usual weekly wages.

#### **Section 6. Physician Certificate**

For sick leave in excess of three (3) working days after forty (40) hours per calendar year has been taken, the Chief may require either a certificate of the attending physician stating that such illness or injury prevents the employee from working, or a medical examination by a physician designated by the Personnel Director and paid for by the Department.

#### **Section 7. Record of Sick Leave Use**

A record of sick leave taken and accumulated shall be maintained by the City and a copy of such record shall be posted.

#### **Section 8. Partial Sick Day**

If an employee is forced to book off sick after working a portion of a normal work day, sick leave shall be computed to the nearest one-quarter (1/4) of a day. If said sick leave is in the first forty (40) hours of the calendar year, the leave shall be computed to the nearest hour.

#### **Section 9. Book on Procedure**

Any employee who booked off on a regular sick or undesignated sick leave day, for a working day, shall notify the Department regarding his availability for working his next shift in accordance with the following schedule: midnight to 8:00 a.m. must call by 3:00 p.m. in the preceding afternoon; 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. by 10:00 p.m. the preceding evening; 4:00 p.m. to midnight must call by noon of the same day the shift is scheduled; 6:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. by noon of the same day the shift is scheduled.

#### **Section 10. Overtime Eligibility**

Where an employee is off-duty, sick or on an undesignated sick leave day, or injured for his regularly scheduled department tour of duty, that employee will not be eligible for an extra duty

assignment until (12) hours after the regularly scheduled department tour of duty would have been completed had he worked.

### **Section 11. FMLA**

FMLA leave, an employee who is an "eligible employee" as defined under the Federal Family and Medical Leave Act ("FMLA"), 29 U.S.C. 1601, et seq., shall be granted up to twelve (12) weeks of FMLA leave during a twelve month period in accordance with the Act. The twelve-month period shall be defined as January 1 through December 31.

Any accumulated paid sick leave must be exhausted first in situations where the leave taken by the employee is covered by the FMLA Act, and said paid leave shall be included in (and shall not be in addition to) the aforementioned twelve (12) weeks leave of allowable leave. Except in the case of leave for the birth or adoption of a child where an employee using more than six (6) weeks may choose to have the second six (6) weeks of FMLA leave as unpaid leave even if they have sick time remaining in their bank. A medical certificate acceptable to the City may be required for FMLA leave situations involving the health of the employee or family member. Employees on leave without pay shall not continue to accumulate sick leave; however, the continuity of employment shall be preserved for purposes of seniority.

Employees on FMLA leave shall have their health insurance coverage maintained during such leave on the same terms as if the employee had continued to work.

Expectant mothers may apply for light duty work where a doctor's notice is presented. This will consist of inside work, limiting strenuous activity. The officer may continue working with her squad or be transferred to another light duty assignment if such assignment exists at the Chiefs discretion.

### **Section 12. Light Duty Positions available**

There will always be one (1) light duty position available for on-duty or off-duty injuries.

For other light duty positions, an injured officer will contact the Chief or their designee in writing and make a request for modified duty if necessary accompanied by medical clearance documentation for the light duty with restrictions clearly noted.

The Chief or their designee will try to respond within two (2) days (Monday-Friday) to the officer. Availability of light duty at the Meriden Police Department is at the sole discretion of the Chief except as provided above.

If light duty is available and the officer takes it and he/she books off, they will be charged the full amount of hours they have clearance to work.

### **Section 13.**

Notwithstanding the foregoing, employees who have used all their designated sick leave may:

- a) Make application for FMLA if qualified and FMLA has not been exhausted while on sick leave.

- b) Request on the appropriate personnel form to borrow sick time from the amount they expect to earn that year.
- c) Make application for an unpaid leave of absence per policy.

No employee has the right to be absent without the above unless there is a documented emergency preventing the employee from complying.

## **ARTICLE XVII**

### **Injury Leave**

#### **Section 1. Injury On Duty**

- a) Injury leave shall mean paid leave given to an employee due to absence from duty caused by an accident or injury that occurred while the employee was engaged in the performance of his duties with the City.
- b) Employees will be placed on Workers' Compensation for accepted injuries and Q-Time (unapproved workers' compensation) for non-accepted workplace injuries or Light Duty for work at less than full capacity.
- c) The city shall supplement the Workers' Compensation rate up to the employees base rate of pay for up to eighteen (18) months post-injury, provided that if the employee's treating physician gives an opinion that within six months after the expiration of 18 months the employee will be able to return work, the supplement payment shall be extended for an additional six months up to 24 months total. Thereafter, the employee will receive his workers' compensation only.
- d) No sick time will be charged unless the claim is ultimately resolved or denied by the Workers' Compensation Commission.

#### **Section 3. IOD Light Duty**

An employee who has not reached maximum medical improvement and is physically unable to return to regular assigned duties as a result of a compensable injury will be provided, if available, light and/or limited duty assignments as devised by the Chief of Police. All such light and/or limited duty assignments shall be approved by the treating physician prior to the employee's return to work. Any employee who does not return to light duty or is absent must follow normal time off procedures.

#### **Section 4. Duration of Leave**

An employee who has been continuously out for more than 1 year or who has reached maximum medical improvement and is physically unable to return to regular assigned duties as a result of a compensable injury will be separated from work and may enroll in an approved vocational rehabilitation program as outlined in the Workers' Compensation Act with all entitled benefits, or may pursue his right to a disability pension.

#### **Section 5. Compliance with Workers' Compensation Act**

Each employee who is injured and/or disabled during the course of and as a result of employment shall comply with all sections of Workers' Compensation Act.

**ARTICLE XVIII**  
**Funeral Leave**

**Section 1. Bereavement Leave Days**

All employees shall be granted ten (10) days leave with pay in cases of the death of the employee's spouse or child. In the event of a death in an employee's immediate family, an employee shall be permitted five (5) days off at his / her regular rate of pay for the purpose of attending the funeral and providing for matters incident to the death. For the purpose of this Article, the immediate family shall include the following relatives: Mother, father, sister, brother, mother-in-law, father-in-law, step-mother, step-father, step-child or grandchild. Employees shall be granted two (2) day's leave with pay in the event of the death of a grandmother or grandfather, an aunt or an uncle and a brother-in-law or a sister-in-law, or any relative whatever the relationship who lives in the residence of the employee. The aforementioned paid leaves shall start as of the day after the death of the relative and extend thereafter for the ten (10), five (5) or two (2) days, whichever is appropriate. The employee will only be paid for days during the funeral leave period when the employee is scheduled to work.

**Section 2. Sick Time for Additional Leave**

In the event a Police Officer requires additional bereavement time, he/she may be allowed up to fifteen (15) additional days for a spouse, child or parent. Such time shall be deducted from the Police Officer's accumulated sick leave, vacation or other accrued time at the employee's choice.

**ARTICLE XIX**  
**Uniform Allowance**

**Section 1. Uniform and Clothing Issue**

Each employee who is appointed to the Police Department on or after the effective date of this Contract shall receive the following list of clothing and equipment at the time of his appointment. Upon termination of employment, this equipment shall be returned to the City.

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| 1 Single Breasted Blouse                   | 1 21A Inch Gun Belt                                  |
| 1 Winter Coat (Blauer #258)                | 1 Security Holster                                   |
| 2 Pair Trousers                            | 1 Handcuff Case                                      |
| 3 Shirts-Long Sleeve                       | 1 Pair Handcuffs                                     |
| 3 Shirts-Short Sleeve                      | 1 Key Ring (Flat Type)                               |
| 1 Rev. Raincoat NITSA Approved             | 1 31" Riot Baton                                     |
| 1 Riot Helmet                              | 1 Gas Mask w/Carrier                                 |
| (1) 8 Point Winter Hat                     | 2 Blue Knit Ties                                     |
| (1) 8 Point Summer Hat                     | 1 PR-24 Baton  |
| 2 Name Plates                              | 1 Baton Holder                                       |
| 1 Tie Bar                                  | 2 Spare Clips/Case                                   |
| 2 Collar Insignias (M.P.D.)                | 1 Whistle and Chain                                  |
| 3 1 Pr. Gloves- Summer                     | 1 Traffic Vest                                       |
| 1 Pr. Gloves- Winter                       | 1 Duty Belt Flashlight and Holder                    |
| 1 Artic Trooper hat                        | 1 Protective Vest                                    |
| 1 Pair Slush Boots                         | 1 Quik Clot Kits                                     |
| 1 Dark Blue Jump Suit (w/Police Patch)     | 1. Short Sleeve NITSA approved Traffic Control Shirt |
| 1 Taser and two (2) replacement cartridges |  |

### **Clothing for New Recruit Only Entering Academy**

1 Box of Ammo	2 Dickie Khaki Shirts
1 Hat Badge	2 Dickie Khaki Pants
1 Department Key	1 Breast Badge
1 Blue Non-Hooded Sweat Shirt	Department Approved Firearm

### **Section 2. Quartermaster System**

All sworn personnel shall receive the following annual credit with an authorized city vendor to purchase authorized uniform's, accouterments and other required gear as authorized by the Chief of Police;

- All employees with at least 12 months of service as of 7/1 of the affected fiscal year shall receive \$200.00
- All employees with at least 24 months of service as of 7/1 of the affected fiscal year shall receive \$300.00
- All employees with at least 36 months of service as of 7/1 of the affected fiscal year shall receive \$400.00
- All employees with at least 48 months of service as of 7/1 of the affected fiscal year shall receive \$500.00
- All employees with at least 60 months of service as of 7/1 of the affected fiscal year shall receive \$550.00

### **Section 3. Lost/Damaged Clothing and Property**

The City shall reimburse employees for loss or damage to clothing and/or personal property suffered in the performance of duty provided same is not the result of his own negligence. Such claim of loss must be supported by a receipt for replacement of the item with reasonable proof and of the value of the clothing and/or personal property, or to a maximum of three hundred dollars (\$300.00). Such request must be made within thirty (30) days from loss.

Police Officers may carry personal cell phones, however, no other personal electronic communication devices, lost or damaged will be reimbursed. Cell phones will be reimbursed for actual cost up to two hundred dollars (\$200.00). Employee must show to City's satisfaction amount actually paid for damaged phone. Cell phones will only be replaced once per 3 year contract period.

### **Section 4. Bulletproof Vest Replacement**

The Training Officer of the Meriden Police Department shall advise the Chief of Police of the need for bullet-proof replacement vests six months in advance of their expiration date.

### **Section 5. New Uniforms**

If a new uniform is adopted and made mandatory, employees will be supplied with two (2) long sleeved shirts, two (2) short sleeved shirts, two (2) pair of pants, a new uniform belt, and belt accessories from the City's vendor within one-hundred twenty (120) days of the change.

**Section 6.**

Members of the bargaining unit may wear Department authorized shorts while working private duty between, and during, the months of April and September.

**Section 7.**

Police officers who work in Patrol or Patrol Special Assignments such as NI, SRO, and Traffic assignments, etc. will be allowed to wear a Police Polo shirt between May 1 - October 1 of each calendar year. Long sleeve polo shirts are worn the second half of the year.

Police officers who choose to wear this shirt and pant instead of the Class B or Class C shirt is required to pay for the purchase.

The Police Polo style shirt will be selected and approved by the Chief of Police. It will be worn with the selected Class C style pants and the approved outer bullet proof vest carrier.

If the City changes the selected style, it will provide the covered police officers with two (2) of each style (short sleeve and long sleeve), but in the event that a specific style polo shirt is unavailable, the City will provide one (1) long and one (1) short sleeve shirt.

**ARTICLE XX**

**Leaves of Absence without Pay**

The City may grant leaves of absence without pay to any employee upon his request. Upon the expiration of the approved leave, he shall be reinstated in the position held at the time leave was granted. The Chief and the Director of Personnel shall determine the maximum length and conditions of said leave of absence without pay and the conditions of reinstatement, including a physical examination, if deemed necessary. Seniority shall not accrue during the period of such leave. Leaves of absence shall not be granted under any circumstances to an employee who has accepted permanent full time employment with an employer other than the City of Meriden.

Employees on unpaid leave of absence shall not accumulate sick or vacation time, nor will such employees receive paid holidays.

**ARTICLE XXI**

**Insurance**

This article and the attached insurance matrix document contain summaries and descriptions of various insurance benefits. It is agreed and understood by the parties that the insurance descriptions contained in this Agreement and the matrix are descriptive only and are not insurance policies. All questions or issues concerning insurance coverage and related matters shall be determined by reference to the actual insurance policy documents issued or possessed by the insurers. In the event of error or misstatement in this Agreement or matrix, the policies shall always prevail.

**Section 1. Eligibility:**

All Members of the bargaining unit who work an average of not less than 30 hours per week computed over a period of one fiscal year are eligible for all of the plans specified in this Article XXI.

All Members of the bargaining unit and their eligible dependents\* are eligible for the group medical plan described herein at Sections 4, 5, and 6 and the Group Dental Plan described in section 7 herein.

Dependents are:

- your lawful spouse; and
- any child of yours who is:
- Less than 26 years old.
- 26 or more years old, unmarried, and primarily supported by you and incapable of self-sustaining employment by reason of mental or physical disability which arose while the child was covered as a Dependent under this Plan, or while covered as a dependent under a prior plan with no break in coverage.

Proof of the child's condition and dependence may be required to be submitted to the plan within 31 days after the date the child ceases to qualify above. From time to time, but not more frequently than once a year, the plan may require proof of the continuation of such condition and dependence.

The term child means a child born to you or a child legally adopted by you. It also includes a stepchild or a child for whom you are the legal guardian.

Benefits for a Dependent child will continue until the last day of the calendar month in which the limiting age is reached.

Anyone who is eligible as an Employee will not be considered as a Dependent spouse. A child under age 26 may be covered as either an Employee or as a Dependent child. You cannot be covered as an Employee while also covered as a Dependent of an Employee.

No one may be considered as a Dependent of more than one Employee.

Federal rights may not be available to same-sex spouses, or Civil Union partners or Dependents. Connecticut law allows same-sex marriages, and grants parties to a civil union the same benefits, protections and responsibilities that flow from marriage under state law.

However, some or all of the benefits, protections and responsibilities related to health insurance that are available to married persons of the opposite sex under federal law may not be available to same-sex spouses, or parties to a civil union.

**Section 2. Insurance Carriers/Loss of Service:**

If the City can provide the equivalent of service and benefits of all insurance coverage as presently provided for in the Article through another Insurance carrier, the City shall have the right to substitute insurance carriers. The change of insurance carriers by the City shall not cause any employee to suffer any loss of present service nor shall any of the present benefits be reduced in any manner than those previously provided. The Union shall notify the City of such loss in service or benefit and the City shall, upon receipt of such notice, immediately reimburse said employee for the loss of service or benefits.

If the City fails to or refuses to immediately reimburse said employees for the loss of service or benefits within seven (7) calendar days, the City shall then immediately reinstate the insurance programs as provided for in this Article. The City shall be required to make employees whole for any loss in service or benefits during this period of time.

**Section 3: Group Term Life Insurance:** Life Insurance, for the employee, shall be provided in the amount of one times the annual salary rounded off to the next lower thousand.

**Section 4: Group Medical:** The City shall provide and pay, minus applicable bi-weekly cost share, for the following group medical plan for members of the bargaining unit and their eligible dependents\*:

See definition of "Dependent" as fully set forth in Section 1 Eligibility –

High Deductible Health Plan — July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2030

Deductible for Single Member -	\$2,000
Deductible for Member + 1 and Family -	\$4,000

HSA Funding at 50% by City — July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2030

City Funding for Single Member -	\$1,000
City Funding for Member + 1 and Family	\$2,000

New Employees will receive a prorated portion of the contribution based upon months enrolled in the plan.

Upon the initial year of an employee's enrollment into the HSA, the City will fund its full contribution in July. For subsequent years, the City's contribution will be split half in July, half in January.

Closed Express Scripts Rx formulary shall be implemented.

An employee who will be precluded from participating in the HSA bank account in the year beginning 7/1/17 because the individual is/will be enrolled in Medicare and/or receives non-preventative medical services from the Veterans Administration in the fiscal year will be enrolled in the PPO Plan as of July 1, 2017 and shall pay the difference between the net cost of the HSA (cost less applicable cost-share contribution) and the cost of the PPO. Effective for the year beginning 7/1/18 any employee not eligible for an HSA account will be enrolled in the HDHP and the City shall make the monetary value of the City contribution to the applicable deductible amount as compensation to the employee.

The only health plan available to members shall be the High Deductible Health Plan.

**Section 5: Premium Share:**

July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2030	2025-26*	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30
➤ Cost share					
➤ Wellness	14.5%	15.0%	15.5%	16.0%	16.5%
➤ Without Wellness	18.5%	19.0%	19.5%	20.0%	20.5%

\*effective upon ratification/approval.

Upon the initial year of an employee's enrollment into the HSA, the City will fund its full contribution in July. For subsequent years the City's contribution will be split half in July, half in January.

Effective 1/1/16 the Closed Express Scripts Rx formulary shall be implemented.

An employee who will be precluded from participating in the HSA bank account because the individual is/will be enrolled in Medicare and/or receives non-preventative medical services from the Veterans Administration in the fiscal year will be enrolled in the PPO Plan as of July 1 of that year and shall pay the difference between the net cost of the HSA (cost less applicable cost-share contribution) and the cost of the PPO.

**Section 6: Wellness**

For the year beginning July 1, 2017

Employees will have multiple ways to earn up to 300 points to achieve the wellness rate by April 30th, 2017 effective for the year beginning 7/1/17.

Qualifying blood draw which meets the wellness standards set by the vendor or first time during full time employment with the City earns 200 points.

Any Preventative visits (OB/GYN or family practitioner) earn a maximum of 100 points.

Other qualifying events only 100 point total will be acknowledged.

- Complete Coaching Program — 25 points — no further gift cards
- 100 points for colonoscopy
- 100 points for mammogram
- 2 dental cleaning 50 points each — maximum 100 points
- Must be in full 100 point increments to qualify

\*Members who are unable to meet the standards are allowed to obtain a waiver from the vendor if they provide a doctor's medical certification regarding inability to medically meet guidelines they would be eligible for the discounted rate.

For the year beginning July 1, 2018 and all subsequent years covered by this contract employees must achieve the wellness criteria by February 15 of each year as conducted by CIGNA/Quest.

In order to qualify for wellness the employee must participate in the blood draw.

Members who are unable to meet the standards are allowed to submit a physician waiver form or other alternative activity (found on [mycigna.com](http://mycigna.com)). Doing so, you would be eligible for the discounted rate.

Policy and Summary Matrix for both Medical and Dental are located at:

<https://www.meridenct.gov/government/departments/human-resources/employee-benefits/>

<https://www.meridenct.gov/government/departments/human-resources/employee-benefits/>

### **Section 7: Group Dental Coverage: Cigna Dental PPO — Radius Network**

See addendum 4 Dental Plan Benefits Summary

### **Section 8. Vision/Hearing Expenses**

There shall be a pool to cover documented vision care, vision related expenses including Lasik surgery, hearing care and hearing aid expenses of active duty police officers. This pool will cover the above noted expenses not provided by the coverage outlined in Sections 2, 4, 5 and 6 above.

1. Employees will submit original receipt(s) showing clearly the amount paid and the provider of the product and/or service and a copy of applicable prescriptions within 90 days of purchasing the products or having the exam. The receipt(s) must be attached to the appropriate form. Forms will be available in Personnel and the Police Chiefs office. It is the employee's responsibility to submit the form to Personnel in a timely manner.
2. Receipt(s) can be submitted for all hearing and vision products and services prescribed by a licensed medical provider.
  - a) The benefit for hearing will not exceed \$100 in any two year period, except in the case of a hearing aid which will be reimbursed at a cost up to \$1,500 (fifteen hundred dollars) per hearing aid. The benefit covers up to one hearing aid for each ear during a two-year period. (Example 1/1/2013- 12/31/2015).
  - b) The benefit for vision will not exceed \$300 in any two-year period. (Example 1/1/2013 —12/31/2015):
  - c) Forms will be processed in Personnel within fifteen (15) working days of stamped receipt. Reimbursement will be made in a separate check within two (2) pay periods after the Personnel Director signs off on the form.
  - d) Employees must have valid 1-9 forms on file with the City to be eligible for any reimbursement.

**Section. 8 Coverage of Deployed Armed Services Members**

The City and Union agree that an employee who is deployed to active duty during times of war or military conflict will:

- a) Be given the opportunity to continue with the City's health plan at the same cost-share of an active employee for up to one year.
- b) Unless the employee elects to continue with the City's health plan, the employee shall come off the insurance the first month following deployment and be reinstated upon the date of his/her return even if this is before the first of the next month.
- c) At the discretion of the City, insurance may be continued beyond one year of deployment.

**ARTICLE XXII**  
**Seniority**

**Section 1. Seniority Determination**

The seniority rights of all members of the department shall be based upon the length of service in the department and shall be determined from the date such member or members were officially appointed to the department. Rank seniority is defined as the total length of continuous service as a permanent appointee to a given rank.

**Section 2. Appointments/Promotions on Same Date**

Whenever more than one person is appointed to the department on the same day, the seniority of each individual as it relates to others appointed the same day, shall be determined by their relative position on the written entrance examination prior to any additional points being added, with the greatest seniority being granted to the individual standing highest on the list amongst those appointed as provided in section 7.2 of the City's Personnel Policy.

**Section 3. Seniority Protected**

Seniority shall not be broken by temporary demotions, suspension, vacations, sick time, injury leave, layoff, authorized paid leave of absence, or any call to military service for the duration.

**Section 4. Seniority Reinstated**

Employees who resign voluntary, or who are discharged for just cause, shall lose all seniority including time in grade for promotional opportunities. Upon rehiring or reemployment, Accruals/wages shall be as for new hire.

**Section 5. Minimum Service Time**

Employees must have 3 years of service with the department to be considered for special assignment, unless they transferred as a certified officer with at least three (3) years of continuous service with another Connecticut law enforcement agency. Certified officers with at least three (3) years of continuous service with another Connecticut law enforcement agency, who transfer to

the Meriden Police Department may be considered for special assignment after two (2) year of service with the Meriden Police Department.

**ARTICLE XXIII**  
**Union Activity Protected**

Except for the right to strike or to withhold services, which are hereby prohibited, all other union activities are protected. Nothing shall abridge the right of any duly authorized representative of the Union to present the views of the Union to the citizens on issues, which affect the welfare of its members. Provided however, that during negotiations, that neither the City or the Union, nor the representatives of either party shall make any public statement concerning any matter under negotiations, or to report on such matters except when both parties agree to make such a statement or report, or when an impasse in negotiations is reaches; further provided that, for the purpose of this article, no such impasse shall be deemed to have been reached until forty-five (45) days following the convening of negotiations.

**ARTICLE XXIV**  
**Probationary Period**

**Section 1. Seniority**

To enable the City to exercise sound discretion in filling positions within the Police Department, no appointment to the classification of Police Officers shall be deemed final and permanent until the expiration of a period of twelve (12) months from completion of the FTO process. During such period, the employee shall be on probation and may be discharged by the City for failure to meet the standards of the department in terms of work performance. Such determination is not able to be grieved through the contractual arbitration process.

**Section 2. Seniority of Probationary Members**

No newly appointed employee shall attain seniority under this agreement until he has been continuously employed in the Department for a period of twelve (12) months and has graduated from the Municipal Police Training Academy or other approved POSTC Academy.

The probationary period shall commence on the date of hire for any certified police officer with 2 years prior police experience. As to all other employees, the probationary period shall commence upon successful completion of the police academy.

Upon completion of this twelve- (12) month probationary period, the employees' seniority shall date back to the time of his original appointment as a regular probationary police officer.

**ARTICLE XXV**  
**[RESERVED]**

**ARTICLE XXVI**

**Longevity**

**Section 1. Longevity Pay**

Effective July 1, 2014 for employees hired before July 1, 2014

Employees who have completed five years of service on July 1	\$450.00
Employees who have completed ten years of service on July 1	\$550.00
Employees who have completed fifteen years of service on July 1	\$650.00
Employees who have completed twenty years of service on July 1	\$750.00
Employees who have completed twenty-five years of service on July	\$800.00

**Section 2. Pay Date**

Longevity payments shall be paid in the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) paycheck in July.

**ARTICLE XXVII**

**Certification Bonus**

Employees hired prior to 12/30/2011, who remain a certified officer with the City of Meriden, shall receive a bonus in the amount of six hundred dollars (\$600.00) in the first pay check in February. A pension deduction will not be made from this check for employees hired prior to April 1, 2003.

If an employee who has received this bonus terminates his employment said employee shall reimburse the City 1 % of the bonus received for each month remaining in the fiscal year. The refund due shall be taken out of the severance pay of the employee.

Employees hired after 1/1/2012 will not receive a certification bonus.

**ARTICLE XXVIII**

**Pension**

For employees sworn in as regular probationary Police Officers prior to April 1, 2003 see Standard Benefit Plan Description titled Police Employees' Pension Plan, Part II Special Acts, Division 1 Pensions.

For employees sworn in as regular probationary Police Officers on or after March 18, 2003 see Standard Benefit Plan Description titled Meriden Municipal Pension Plan.

Health insurance for retirees so entitled shall be described in the document entitled "Retiree Health Insurance Coverage for Police Officers.

**ARTICLE XXIX**

**Wages**

The wages for all employees shall be set forth in the wage schedules attached hereto and shall be increased as follows:

7/1/25 — 6/30/26 3.25%, retroactive to 7/1/25  
7/1/26 — 6/30/27 3.50%  
7/1/27 — 6/30/28 3.25%  
7/1/28 — 6/30/29 3.25%  
7/1/29 — 6/30/30 3.50%

Step C is the normal entering rate  
Step D is attained one year later  
Step E is attained one year later  
Step F is attained one year later.

Employees hired and sent to the Police Academy shall be paid hourly and shall not be entitled to the benefits of this contract until they successfully complete the Academy and are sworn in.

Upon promotion to the rank of Sergeant or higher, the promoted individual shall be placed at Step E. After six (6) month promotional probationary period, and successful completion within the new rank, he/she shall be moved to Step F.

Any employee entering the department with two (2) or more years of continuous certification as a police officer or with comparative Connecticut certification and two- (2) years' experience shall start at Step D. He/she shall still serve a one (1) year probationary period. Employees will be paid bi-weekly.

Employees must sign up for direct deposit with the City as a condition of continued employment within thirty (30) days of employment.

## **ARTICLE XXX** **General Provisions**

### **Section 1. Declaration of Invalidity**

If any Article or Section of this Contract is declared invalid, for any reasons, such declaration of invalidity shall not affect the other Articles or Sections or portions thereof which shall be valid.

### **Section 2. Court Transportation/Reimbursement**

The City shall provide transportation, when available, for any member who is required to attend any Court which is outside the City while in the capacity as a Police Officer. In such instances when reimbursed by the Court for mileage said funds shall be turned over to the City.

### **Section 3. Physical Exams**

Each member of the Department shall be given the opportunity to obtain a complete physical examination once every three (3) years for which the City shall arrange and pay the cost.

### **Section 4. Off-Duty Police Action**

Any member of the Department injured or otherwise disabled while making or attempting to make an arrest, or in the performance of any police duty, during his off-duty time shall be entitled to those benefits provided for and in the same manner as provided in Article XVI, Injury Leave.

**Section 5. Protective Equipment for Transports**

Employees shall not be required to transport persons who are not under Police jurisdiction, when it is known that such person has a history of communicable disease. Whenever such persons are under Police jurisdiction and employees of the Department are required to be in close proximity to such persons, said employees shall be provided with protective equipment and the Department shall use its best efforts to take any and all necessary steps to safeguard the health of said employees. Management shall make available such protective equipment.

**Section 6. Safety and Welfare**

The Police Department will continue to furnish such equipment as is presently furnished, and whenever possible, furnish such additional equipment that will promote the safety and welfare of the Department members, and aid in the efficient performance of their duties.

**Section 7. Emergency Repairs of Vehicles**

Employees shall not be required to make any mechanical repairs, oil changes or change flat tires of Department motor vehicles, except in an emergency.

**Section 8. Working Outside of Job**

Employees shall not be required to perform any function normally done by another City Department, agency, or private concern, except in an emergency.

**Section 9. Personnel Files**

Employees shall receive a copy of all communications that are to be entered into their personnel files.

**Section 10. Fatigue**

In order to insure the well-being of all fellow officers, enforcement against fatigue while on duty shall be the joint responsibility of Union and Management. An officer who is beginning a third (3rd) continuous eight (8) hour shift shall notify his immediate supervisor at the beginning of the shift. That supervisor will notify the Captain of Patrol or his designee and confer as to the status of that officer. In the event management and/or his immediate supervisor feels that an employee is showing signs of fatigue, he/she shall be relieved of duty after a mutual decision is reached between the Captain of Patrol and the Officer's immediate supervisor.

No employee will be permitted to work four (4) contiguous eight (8) hour shifts unless a state of emergency has been declared by the City Manager. Prior to being mandated to work either a third (3rd) or fourth (4th) consecutive shift, any employee shall be provided a reasonable accommodation of a rest period to be determined by the Watch Commander and a reasonable effort will be made to provide said employee a meal.

**Section 11. Union/Management Meetings**

In order to improve Department morale and to discuss items of mutual interest, the Union agrees to meet monthly with Management representative selected by the City Manager and Chief of Police. It is felt that frequent Mutual discussion of issues affecting the police officers in the Department will promote better understanding and provide for smoother operation of the Department.

**Section 12. Subpoena or Court Appearances**

When a member of the bargaining unit is working an entire shift between 11:00 p.m. & 8:00 a.m. receives a subpoena to appear in court he may contact the scheduling officer and request to be placed on special assignment for that tour of duty.

**Section 13. Vaccinations Provided by City**

Each member of the bargaining unit will be afforded the opportunity to be vaccinated against hepatitis and any other vaccine that can be administered as a safety precaution. The City will pay the cost.

**Section 14. Pay for Jury Duty**

An employee serving on jury duty on any regularly scheduled workday shall be paid the employee's normal weekly straight-time wage. Employees called into jury duty shall not be required to work portions of that day.

**Section 15. Agreement is Gender Neutral**

As used in this Agreement, masculine or feminine pronouns shall include reference to either gender.

**Section 16. Facial Hair**

The Chief has control over grooming standards as they relate to facial hair except employees may have small neatly groomed mustaches or goatees (whether facial hair appears neat is at the discretion of the Chief) neither of which shall interfere with issued safety equipment.

Members electing to grow facial hair shall have a shaving kit readily available in their lockers. Such facial hair must be removed whenever circumstances arise where respiratory protection equipment may be required.

**Section 17. Accruals of Sick Time and Vacation Time**

Employees out on any of the following leaves of absence shall not accrue sick leave or vacation leave for the duration of any such leave:

- 1) Paid or unpaid administrative leave due to an arrest or other circumstances where an employee is prohibited from carrying a firearm or due to any on duty incident which results in a suspension of more than twenty days, temporary or permanent demotion or termination or where the employee has been charged with a violent felony or a domestic violence crime while off-duty;
- 2) Authorized leave of absence without pay;
- 3) Unauthorized leave of absence.

**ARTICLE XXXI**

**Education Incentive and Reimbursement Program**

**Section 1. Education/Tuition Programs**

The City of Meriden Personnel Department's Tuition Reimbursement Program shall be part of this agreement.

## **Section 2. Education Incentive**

After three and one half (3 1/2) years of Police Department Service including time at the academy (for this section only), employees shall receive an additional compensation for educational attainment according to the following schedule:

- a. Associates degree, an additional six dollars (\$6.00) per week.
- b. A bachelor's degree, an additional twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per week.
- c. A Master's degree or other post-graduate degree at an accredited college or University, an additional thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) per week.
- d. If an employee is subsequently promoted he shall continue to receive the additional amount of pay as specified above.

The following provisions are established to govern the administration of the City's Tuition Reimbursement Program:

- e. Applications for reimbursement will only be considered from full time employees.
- f. Applications will be approved only for course work related to the employees' present position or for a position to which he/she may be promoted.
- g. Reimbursement shall be made only for course work completed at accredited public or business trade schools, colleges and universities.
- h. Applications may be considered even if the employee is receiving funds for the same course from another source to the extent such funds do not cover the full cost.
- i. Applications will not be considered if the course work is available to the employee through in-service training conducted by the City.
- j. Tuition costs of one thousand four hundred dollars (\$1,400) for undergraduate courses and two thousand dollars (\$2,000) for graduate courses or less are eligible for 100% reimbursement. The employee must present an official school receipt indicating the cost of tuition for the course prior to enrollment.
- k. Reimbursement shall be made only for course work in which the employee received a grade C or its numerical equivalent or better. Employees must present an official transcript showing the final grade received.
- l. The maximum tuition reimbursement is available once per contract year.

## **Section 3. Procedure**

The following procedure permits the employee to know in advance whether or not the course(s) will be approved for tuition reimbursement, assuming the course is completed with a satisfactory grade.

- a) Employee obtains a "Tuition Reimbursement Application" form and submits it to the Personnel Department.
- b) The Personnel Department views the application. One copy is returned to the employee. The other copy is retained by Personnel.
- c) Within one week after the employee has completed the course and has received his final grade, the employee must submit a copy of the approved request form to the Director of Personnel along with his grade and tuition receipt.
- d) Upon receipt of the completed application form, the Director of Personnel will prepare a service voucher to pay the employee for the amount of the tuition reimbursement.

**Section 4. Covered Coursework**

Tuition reimbursement may be applied to any subject taken at an accredited University.

**ARTICLE XXXII**

**Extradition**

**Section 1. Affiant Participation**

When any member of the Bargaining Unit is assigned to an extradition out of state, the affiant on the warrant will participate in the extradition. *Members will be notified at least 24 hours in advance, so they may plan accordingly.*

**Section 2. Out of State Extraditions**

In the event a member of the Bargaining Unit is assigned to an extradition out of State, and said member is absent from the City of Meriden for a period of time over eight (8) hours, but less than twenty-four (24) hours, said member will receive, in addition to this regular daily eight (8) hours salary, overtime as per FLSA.

**Section 3. Pay for Days Off**

In the event a member of the Bargaining Unit is assigned to an extradition on his regular assigned day(s) off, said member will be paid time and one-half for all hours engaged in said assignment.

This section will also apply if a member of the Bargaining Unit is assigned to an extradition on his regular working day and said extradition carries over into a regular assigned day off. In this instance, the time and one-half would commence at midnight starting the regular day off.

**Section 4. Out of City Expenses**

Whenever a member of the Bargaining Unit is required to leave the City of Meriden during his regular tour of duty, said member will be reimbursed for all expenses incurred for such things as meals, tolls, and parking. Receipts for such expenses shall be presented to the Chiefs office.

**ARTICLE XXXIII**

**Non-Discrimination**

Neither the City nor the Union shall discriminate against any employee covered by this Agreement in a manner, which would violate any applicable laws because of race, creed, color, national origin, age, sex, qualified handicap, or political affiliation.

**ARTICLE XXXIV**

**Physical Examinations and Requirements**

**Section 1. General Provisions**

- A) The City may require any employee to undergo a physical examination by a licensed physician should the Police Chief and Personnel Director feel that such examination would be in the best interest of the employee, the Police Department,

and the City. The City agrees to pay for such an examination. A copy of the physical examination report should be forwarded to the Personnel Director and shall be placed in the employee's confidential medical file. It is further agreed that this Article shall not be enforced in an arbitrary manner by the City.

- B) The City and the Union agree it is the responsibility of each employee to achieve and maintain a reasonable level of physical fitness and general good health.
- C) The City and the Union agree that if the State of Connecticut Police Officer Training Council established appropriate Police Officer physical training standards, the schedule standards will be included into this contract as they apply to who is eligible and what the requirements are.
- D) Employees may utilize the gym on their lunch periods however; they are on duty and must have all necessary equipment and necessary clothing readily available in the event it is necessary to call them back to duty.

## **ARTICLE XXXV**

### **Employee Assistance Program**

#### **Section 1. Employee Assistance Program Provided**

The City shall provide and pay for an Employee Assistance Program for members of the bargaining unit and their families which shall include a peer counseling unit.

The confidential nature of this program will be thoroughly explained and emphasized. There is no paperwork or insurance forms to complete.

Officers learn that the program is available to all members of the officer's family.

There is absolutely no cost to the officer or his family to use the services of the program.

Officers seeking counseling will be seen in a comfortable private setting of the Officer's choice. Confidentiality will be assured.

Posters, wallet cards, brochures and mailings are used to promote the program.

The program is available 24 hours a day and includes Critical Incident Situation Debriefing.

There is no limit to the number of times an officer or his family can use the program. There is no limit to the number of sessions a client can be seen for each situation.

#### **Section 2. Meriden Police Officer Stress Team Program**

The keys to a successful Stress Team Program are:

Certain Officers are selected and trained to act as peer counselors. They are usually the first level contact for an officer that seeks information or help.

All departmental personnel receive a series of training sessions designed to recognize the signs of stress and what to do about it.

**ARTICLE XXXVI**

**Duration**

**Section A.** The date of July 1, 2025 shall be the effective date of this agreement, unless otherwise noted, within the contract.

**Section B.** This agreement shall remain in effect until June 30, 2030, unless otherwise noted.

IN WITNESS THEREOF the parties have caused their names to be signed.

CITY OF MERIDEN

MERIDEN POLICE UNION

Local #1016 Council#4

AFSCME AFL-CIO



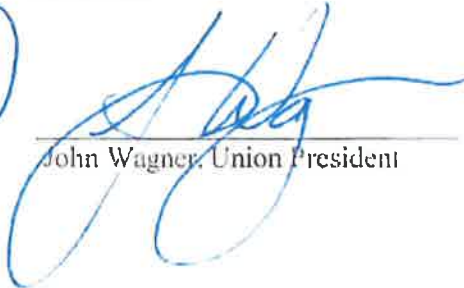
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**APPENDIX A  
POLICE WAGE SCALES**

**POLICE WAGE SCALE 7/1/25**

			Step C	Step D	Step E	Step F
				1 year	2 years	3 years
<b>Range</b>						
33A	Officer	Hourly 40	31.27	41.39	43.44	45.43
		Weekly	1,250.80	1,655.60	1,737.60	1,817.20
		Annual	65,041.60	86,091.20	90,355.20	94,494.40
		OT Rate (37.5)	50.03	66.22	69.50	72.69
33B	Detective	Hourly 40				47.68
		Weekly				1,907.20
		Annual				99,174.40
		OT Rate (37.5)				76.29
33C	Police Sergeant	Hourly 40			47.68	49.94
		Weekly			1,907.20	1,997.60
		Annual			99,174.40	103,875.20
		OT Rate (37.5)			76.29	79.90
33D	Detective Sergeant	Hourly 40			49.94	52.47
		Weekly			1,997.60	2,098.80
		Annual			103,875.20	109,137.60
		OT Rate (37.5)			79.90	83.95
33E	Police Lieutenant	Hourly 40			52.47	54.95
		Weekly			2,098.80	2,198.00
		Annual			109,137.60	114,296.00
		OT Rate (37.5)			83.95	87.92
33F	Detective Lieutenant	Hourly 40			54.95	57.73
		Weekly			2,198.00	2,309.20
		Annual			114,296.00	120,078.40
		OT Rate (37.5)			87.92	92.37
33G	Police Captain	Hourly 40			57.73	60.45
		Weekly			2,309.20	2,418.00
		Annual			120,078.40	125,736.00
		OT Rate (37.5)			92.37	96.72

Reflects 3.25% increase from 7/1/24

<b>PRIVATE DUTY RATE</b>	<b>83.95</b>
PRIVATE DUTY DOUBLE TIME	<b>104.94</b>
PRIVATE DUTY SUPERNUMERARY	<b>69.50</b>

# POLICE WAGE SCALE 7/1/26

			Step C	Step D 1 year	Step E 2 years	Step F 3 years
<b>Range</b>						
33A	Officer	Hourly 40	32.36	42.84	44.96	47.02
		Weekly	1,294.40	1,713.60	1,798.40	1,880.80
		Annual	67,308.80	89,107.20	93,516.80	97,801.60
		OT Rate (37.5)	51.78	68.54	71.94	75.23
33B	Detective	Hourly 40				49.35
		Weekly				1,974.00
		Annual				102,648.00
		OT Rate (37.5)				78.96
33C	Police Sergeant	Hourly 40			49.35	51.69
		Weekly			1,974.00	2,067.60
		Annual			102,648.00	107,515.20
		OT Rate (37.5)			78.96	82.70
33D	Detective Sergeant	Hourly 40			51.69	54.31
		Weekly			2,067.60	2,172.40
		Annual			107,515.20	112,964.80
		OT Rate (37.5)			82.70	86.90
33E	Police Lieutenant	Hourly 40			54.31	56.87
		Weekly			2,172.40	2,274.80
		Annual			112,964.80	118,289.60
		OT Rate (37.5)			86.90	90.99
33F	Detective Lieutenant	Hourly 40			56.87	59.75
		Weekly			2,274.80	2,390.00
		Annual			118,289.60	124,280.00
		OT Rate (37.5)			90.99	95.60
33G	Police Captain	Hourly 40			59.75	62.57
		Weekly			2,390.00	2,502.80
		Annual			124,280.00	130,145.60
		OT Rate (37.5)			95.60	100.11

Reflects 3.5% increase from 7/1/25

<b>PRIVATE DUTY RATE</b>	<b>86.90</b>
PRIVATE DUTY DOUBLE TIME	<b>108.62</b>
PRIVATE DUTY SUPERNUMERARY	<b>71.94</b>

# POLICE WAGE SCALE 7/1/27

			Step C	Step D 1 year	Step E 2 years	Step F 3 years
<b>Range</b>						
<b>33A</b>	Officer	Hourly 40	<b>33.41</b>	<b>44.23</b>	<b>46.42</b>	<b>48.55</b>
		Weekly	1,336.40	1,769.20	1,856.80	1,942.00
		Annual	69,492.80	91,998.40	96,553.60	100,984.00
		OT Rate (37.5)	53.46	70.77	74.27	77.68
<b>33B</b>	Detective	Hourly 40				<b>50.95</b>
		Weekly				2,038.00
		Annual				105,976.00
		OT Rate (37.5)				81.52
<b>33C</b>	Police Sergeant	Hourly 40			<b>50.95</b>	<b>53.37</b>
		Weekly			2,038.00	2,134.80
		Annual			105,976.00	111,009.60
		OT Rate (37.5)			81.52	85.39
<b>33D</b>	Detective Sergeant	Hourly 40			<b>53.37</b>	<b>56.08</b>
		Weekly			2,134.80	2,243.20
		Annual			111,009.60	116,646.40
		OT Rate (37.5)			85.39	89.73
<b>33E</b>	Police Lieutenant	Hourly 40			<b>56.08</b>	<b>58.72</b>
		Weekly			2,243.20	2,348.80
		Annual			116,646.40	122,137.60
		OT Rate (37.5)			89.73	93.95
<b>33F</b>	Detective Lieutenant	Hourly 40			<b>58.72</b>	<b>61.69</b>
		Weekly			2,348.80	2,467.60
		Annual			122,137.60	128,315.20
		OT Rate (37.5)			93.95	98.70
<b>33G</b>	Police Captain	Hourly 40			<b>61.69</b>	<b>64.60</b>
		Weekly			2,467.60	2,584.00
		Annual			128,315.20	134,368.00
		OT Rate (37.5)			98.70	103.36

Reflects 3.25% increase from 7/1/26

<b>PRIVATE DUTY RATE</b>	<b>89.73</b>
PRIVATE DUTY DOUBLE TIME	<b>112.16</b>
PRIVATE DUTY SUPERNUMERARY	<b>74.27</b>

# POLICE WAGE SCALE 7/1/28

			Step C	Step D	Step E	Step F
				1 year	2 years	3 years
<b>Range</b>						
<b>33A</b>	Officer	Hourly 40	<b>34.50</b>	<b>45.67</b>	<b>47.93</b>	<b>50.13</b>
		Weekly	1 380.00	1 826.80	1 917.20	2 005.20
		Annual	71 760.00	94 993.60	99 694.40	104 270.40
		OT Rate (37.5)	55.20	73.07	76.69	80.21
<b>33B</b>	Detective	Hourly 40				<b>52.61</b>
		Weekly				2 104.40
		Annual				109 428.80
		OT Rate (37.5)				84.18
<b>33C</b>	Police Sergeant	Hourly 40			<b>52.61</b>	<b>55.10</b>
		Weekly			2 104.40	2 204.00
		Annual			109 428.80	114 608.00
		OT Rate (37.5)			84.18	88.16
<b>33D</b>	Detective Sergeant	Hourly 40			<b>55.10</b>	<b>57.90</b>
		Weekly			2 204.00	2 316.00
		Annual			114 608.00	120 432.00
		OT Rate (37.5)			88.16	92.64
<b>33E</b>	Police Lieutenant	Hourly 40			<b>57.90</b>	<b>60.63</b>
		Weekly			2 316.00	2 425.20
		Annual			120 432.00	126 110.40
		OT Rate (37.5)			92.64	97.01
<b>33F</b>	Detective Lieutenant	Hourly 40			<b>60.63</b>	<b>63.69</b>
		Weekly			2 425.20	2 547.60
		Annual			126 110.40	132 475.20
		OT Rate (37.5)			97.01	101.90
<b>33G</b>	Police Captain	Hourly 40			<b>63.69</b>	<b>66.70</b>
		Weekly			2 547.60	2 668.00
		Annual			132 475.20	138 736.00
		OT Rate (37.5)			101.90	106.72

Reflects 3.25% increase from 7/1/27

<b>PRIVATE DUTY RATE</b>	<b>92.64</b>
PRIVATE DUTY DOUBLE TIME	<b>115.80</b>
PRIVATE DUTY SUPERNUMERARY	<b>76.69</b>


# POLICE WAGE SCALE 7/1/29

			Step C	Step D	Step E	Step F
				1 year	2 years	3 years
<b>Range</b>						
33A	Officer	Hourly 40	35.71	47.27	49.61	51.88
		Weekly	1,428.40	1,890.80	1,984.40	2,075.20
		Annual	74,276.80	98,321.60	103,188.80	107,910.40
		OT Rate (37.5)	57.14	75.63	79.38	83.01
33B	Detective	Hourly 40				54.45
		Weekly				2,178.00
		Annual				113,256.00
		OT Rate (37.5)				87.12
33C	Police Sergeant	Hourly 40			54.45	57.03
		Weekly			2,178.00	2,281.20
		Annual			113,256.00	118,622.40
		OT Rate (37.5)			87.12	91.25
33D	Detective Sergeant	Hourly 40			57.03	59.93
		Weekly			2,281.20	2,397.20
		Annual			118,622.40	124,654.40
		OT Rate (37.5)			91.25	95.89
33E	Police Lieutenant	Hourly 40			59.93	62.75
		Weekly			2,397.20	2,510.00
		Annual			124,654.40	130,520.00
		OT Rate (37.5)			95.89	100.40
33F	Detective Lieutenant	Hourly 40			62.75	65.92
		Weekly			2,510.00	2,636.80
		Annual			130,520.00	137,113.60
		OT Rate (37.5)			100.40	105.47
33G	Police Captain	Hourly 40			65.92	69.03
		Weekly			2,636.80	2,761.20
		Annual			137,113.60	143,582.40
		OT Rate (37.5)			105.47	110.45

Reflects 3.5% increase from 7/1/28

<b>PRIVATE DUTY RATE</b>	<b>95.89</b>
PRIVATE DUTY DOUBLE TIME	<b>119.86</b>
PRIVATE DUTY SUPERNUMERARY	<b>79.38</b>

**APPENDIX B**  
**HIGH DEDUCTIBLE HEALTH**  
**PLAN**

 <b>The Summary of Benefits and Coverage (SBC) document will help you choose a health plan. The SBC shows you how you and the plan would share the cost for covered health care services. NOTE: Information about the cost of this plan (called the premium) will be provided separately. This is only a summary. For more information about your coverage, or to get a copy of the complete terms of coverage, go online at <a href="http://www.ctira.com/usa">www.ctira.com/usa</a>. For general definitions of common terms, such as allowed amount, balance billing, coinsurance, copayment, deductible, provider, or other undefined terms see the Glossary. You can view the Glossary at <a href="https://www.healthcareprovider.glossary">https://www.healthcareprovider.glossary</a> or call 1-800-678-2424 to request a copy.</b>	
Important Questions	Answers
<b>What is the overall deductible?</b>	<b>For in-network providers: \$2,000/individual or \$4,000/family</b> <b>For out-of-network providers: \$2,000/individual or \$4,000/family</b> <b>Combined medical/behavioral and pharmacy deductible Deductible per individual applies when the employee is the only individual covered under the plan.</b>
<b>Are there services covered before you meet your deductible?</b>	Yes. In-network preventive care & immunizations are covered before you meet your deductible.
<b>Are there other deductibles for specific services?</b>	No.
<b>What is the out-of-pocket limit for this plan?</b>	For in-network providers \$4,000/individual or \$8,000/family (no more than \$4,000 per individual in the family). For out-of-network providers \$4,000/individual or \$8,000/family (no more than \$4,000 per individual in the family).
<b>What is not included in the out-of-pocket limit?</b>	Penalties for failure to obtain pre-authorization for services, premiums, balance-billing charges, and health care this plan doesn't cover.
	<b>Why This Matters:</b> Generally, you must pay all of the costs from providers up to the deductible amount before this plan begins to pay. If you have other family members on the policy, the overall family deductible must be met before the plan begins to pay. This plan covers some items and services even if you haven't met the deductible amount. But a copayment or coinsurance may apply. For example, this plan covers certain preventive services without cost-sharing and before you meet your deductible. See a list of covered preventive services at <a href="https://www.healthcareprovider.glossary">https://www.healthcareprovider.glossary</a> .
	You don't have to meet deductibles for specific services. The out-of-pocket limit is the most you could pay in a year for covered services. If you have other family members in this plan, they have to meet their own out-of-pocket limits until the overall family out-of-pocket limit has been met. Even though you pay these expenses, they don't count toward the out-of-pocket limit.

Important Questions	Answers	Why This Matters
Will you pay less if you use a network provider?	Yes. See <a href="http://www.myCigna.com">www.myCigna.com</a> or call 1-800-Cigna24 for a list of network providers.	This plan uses a provider network. You will pay less if you use a provider in the plan's network. You will pay the most if you use an out-of-network provider, and you might receive a bill from a provider for the difference between the provider's charge and what your plan pays (balance billing). Be aware your network provider might use an out-of-network provider for some services (such as lab work). Check with your provider before you get services.
Do you need a referral to see a specialist?	No.	You can see the specialist you choose with out a referral.

**⚠ All copayment and coinsurance costs shown in this chart are after your deductible has been met, if a deductible applies.**

Common Medical Event	Services You May Need	What You Will Pay		Limitations, Exceptions, & Other Important Information
		In-Network Provider (You will pay the least)	Out-of-Network Provider (You will pay the most)	
If you visit a health care provider's office or clinic	Primary care visit to treat an injury or illness	No charge	20% coinsurance	None
	Specialist visit	No charge	20% coinsurance	None
If you have a first	Preventive care/ screening/ immunization	No charge/visit** No charge/screening No charge/immunizations**	20% coinsurance/visit 20% coinsurance screening 20% coinsurance immunizations	None None None None None
	Diagnostic test (x-ray, blood work) Imaging (CT/PET scans, MRIs)	No charge	20% coinsurance	You may have to pay for services that aren't preventive. Ask your provider if the services you need are preventive. Then check what your plan will pay for. None

Common Medical Event	Services You May Need	What You Will Pay		Limitations, Exceptions, & Other Important Information
		In-Network Provider (You will pay the least)	Out-of-Network Provider (You will pay the most)	
If you need drugs to treat your illness or condition  More information about prescription drug coverage is available at <a href="http://www.myCigna.com">www.myCigna.com</a>	Generic drugs (Tier 1)	No charge, No charge	Not covered	Coverage is limited up to a 30-day supply (retail) and a 90-day supply (home delivery). Certain limitations may apply, including, for example, prior authorization, step therapy, quantity limits.
	Preferred brand drugs (Tier 2)	No charge/prescription (retail), No charge/prescription (home delivery)	Not covered	
	Non-preferred brand drugs (Tier 3)	No charge/prescription (retail), No charge/prescription (home delivery)	Not covered	
If you have outpatient surgery	Facility fee (e.g., ambulatory surgery center)	No charge	20% coinsurance	None
	Physician/surgeon fees	No charge	20% coinsurance	None
	Emergency room care	No charge	No charge	None
If you need immediate medical attention	Emergency medical transportation	No charge	No charge	None
	Urgent care	No charge	No charge	None
	Facility fee (e.g., hospital room)	No charge	20% coinsurance	Lesser of 50% of covered expenses or \$500 penalty for no precertification.
If you have a hospital stay	Physician/surgeon fees	No charge	20% coinsurance	Lesser of 50% of covered expenses or \$500 penalty for no precertification.
	Outpatient services	No charge	20% coinsurance	None
	Inpatient services	No charge	20% coinsurance	Lesser of 50% of covered expenses or \$500 penalty for no precertification.
If you need mental health, behavioral health, or substance abuse services	Office visits	No charge	20% coinsurance	Primary Care or Specialist benefit levels apply for initial visit to confirm pregnancy.
	Childbirth/delivery professional services	No charge	20% coinsurance	Depending on the type of services, a copayment, coinsurance or deductible may apply. Maternity care may include tests and services described elsewhere in the SBC (i.e. ultrasound).
	Childbirth/delivery facility services	No charge	20% coinsurance	



**Your Rights to Continue Coverage:**

There are agencies that can help if you want to continue your coverage after it ends. The contact information for those agencies is: Department of Health and Human Services, Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight, at 1-877-267-2323 x61565 or [www.ccoio.cms.gov](http://www.ccoio.cms.gov). Other coverage options may be available to you too, including buying individual insurance coverage through the Health Insurance Marketplace. For more information about the Marketplace, visit [www.HealthCare.gov](http://www.HealthCare.gov) or call 1-800-318-2596.

**Your Grievance and Appeals Rights:**

There are agencies that can help if you have a complaint against your plan for a denial of a claim. This complaint is called a grievance or appeal. For more information about your rights, look at the explanation of benefits you will receive for that medical claim. Your plan documents also provide complete information to submit a claim, appeal, or a grievance for any reason to your plan. For questions about your rights, this notice, or assistance, you can contact Cigna Customer service at 1-800-Cigna24. You may also contact the Department of Labor's Employee Benefits Security Administration at 1-866-444-EBSA (3272) or [www.dol.gov/ebsa/healthreform](http://www.dol.gov/ebsa/healthreform). Additionally, a consumer assistance program can help you file your appeal. Contact the program for this plan's situs state: State of Connecticut Office of the Health Care Advocate at (866) 466-4446. However, for information regarding your own state's consumer assistance program refer to [www.healthcare.gov](http://www.healthcare.gov).

**Does this plan provide Minimum Essential Coverage? Yes**

If you don't have Minimum Essential Coverage for a month, you'll have to make a payment when you file your tax return unless you qualify for an exemption from the requirement that you have health coverage for that month.

**Does this plan meet the Minimum Value Standards? Yes**

If your plan doesn't meet the Minimum Value Standards, you may be eligible for a premium tax credit to help you pay for a plan through the Marketplace.

**Language Access Services:**

Spanish (Español): Para obtener asistencia en Español, llame al 1-800-244-6224.

Tagalog (Tagalog): Kung kailangan ninyo ang tulong sa Tagalog tumawag sa 1-800-244-6224.

Chinese (中文): 如果需要中文的帮助, 请拨打这个号码 1-800-244-6224.

Navajo (Dine): Dine'ehgo shika a'ohwo' ninisingo, kwijigo holne' 1-800-244-6224.

-----To see examples of how this plan might cover costs for a sample medical situation, see the next section.-----

**About these Coverage Examples:**



This is not a cost estimator. Treatments shown are just examples of how this plan might cover medical care. Your actual costs will be different depending on the actual care you receive, the prices your providers charge, and many other factors. Focus on the cost-sharing amounts (deductibles, copayments and coinsurance) and excluded services under the plan. Use this information to compare the portion of costs you might pay under different health plans. Please note these coverage examples are based on self-only coverage.

**Peg is Having a Baby**

(9 months of in-network pre-natal care and a hospital delivery)

- The plan's overall deductible \$2,000
- Specialist copayment \$0
- Hospital (facility) coinsurance 0%
- Other coinsurance 0%

This EXAMPLE event includes services like:  
 Specialist office visits (*prenatal care*)  
 Childbirth/Delivery Professional Services  
 Childbirth/Delivery Facility Services  
 Diagnostic tests (*ultrasounds and blood work*)  
 Specialist visit (*anesthesia*)

Total Example Cost	\$12,800
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In this example, Peg would pay:

Cost-Sharing	
Deductibles	\$2,000
Copayments	\$0
Coinsurance	\$20
<i>What isn't covered</i>	
Limits or exclusions	\$10
The total Peg would pay is	\$2,030

**Managing Joe's type 2 Diabetes**

(a year of routine in-network care of a well-controlled condition)

- The plan's overall deductible \$2,000
- Specialist copayment \$0
- Hospital (facility) coinsurance 0%
- Other coinsurance 0%

This EXAMPLE event includes services like:  
 Primary care physician office visits (*including disease education*)  
 Diagnostic tests (*blood work*)  
 Prescription drugs  
 Durable medical equipment (*glucose meter*)

Total Example Cost	\$7,400
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In this example, Joe would pay:

Cost-Sharing	
Deductibles	\$2,000
Copayments	\$0
Coinsurance	\$2,000
<i>What isn't covered</i>	
Limits or exclusions	\$200
The total Joe would pay is	\$4,200

**Mia's Simple Fracture**

(in-network emergency room visit and follow up care)

- The plan's overall deductible \$2,000
- Specialist copayment \$0
- Hospital (facility) coinsurance 0%
- Other coinsurance 0%

This EXAMPLE event includes services like:  
 Emergency room care (*including medical supplies*)  
 Diagnostic test (*x-ray*)  
 Durable medical equipment (*cutches*)  
 Rehabilitation services (*physical therapy*)

Total Example Cost	\$1,900
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In this example, Mia would pay:

Cost-Sharing	
Deductibles	\$1,900
Copayments	\$0
Coinsurance	\$0
<i>What isn't covered</i>	
Limits or exclusions	\$0
The total Mia would pay is	\$1,900

The plan would be responsible for the other costs of these EXAMPLE covered services.

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## **APPENDIX C OPEN ACCESS PLUS PLAN**

### **RETIREE HEALTH INSURANCE FOR POLICE IN THE MUNICIPAL PENSION PLAN- Tier II**

Employees who retire with twenty-five (25) or more years of City service will be eligible for 100% paid health insurance for retiree minus the active applicable monthly cost share plus 50% of spousal coverage minus the active applicable monthly cost share.

The health insurance offered to retirees is the same plan design as the active police employees and changes as the active plan changes.-

At age 65 Retiree shall be eligible for Medicare supplemental coverage offered by the City for retiree and may pay for any eligible spouse.

Employees hired on or after July 1, 2012 shall not be eligible for retiree medical benefits.



## SUMMARY OF BENEFITS

Cigna Health and Life Insurance Co.  
 For - Meriden City and Board of Education  
 Open Access Plus Plan- Effective 07/01/2012 Branch - 100, 101, 102, 168, 169, 170, 200, 201, 202

**Selection of a Primary Care Provider** - your plan may require or allow the designation of a primary care provider. You have the right to designate any primary care provider who participates in the network and who is available to accept you or your family members. If your plan requires designation of a primary care provider, Cigna may designate one for you until you make this designation. For information on how to select a primary care provider, and for a list of the participating primary care providers, visit [www.mycigna.com](http://www.mycigna.com) or contact customer service at the phone number listed on the back of your ID card. For children, you may designate a pediatrician as the primary care provider.

**Direct Access to Obstetricians and Gynecologists** - You do not need prior authorization from the plan or from any other person (including a primary care provider) in order to obtain access to obstetrical or gynecological care from a health care professional in our network who specializes in obstetrics or gynecology. The health care professional, however, may be required to comply with certain procedures, including obtaining prior authorization for certain services, following a pre-approved treatment plan, or procedures for making referrals. For a list of participating health care professionals who specialize in obstetrics or gynecology, visit [www.mycigna.com](http://www.mycigna.com) or contact customer service at the phone number listed on the back of your ID card.

Plan Highlights		In-Network	Out-of-Network
<b>Lifetime Maximum Coinsurance</b>		Unlimited Your plan pays 100%	Unlimited Your plan pays 80%
<b>Maximum Reimbursable Charge</b>		Not Applicable	200%
<b>Calendar Year Deductible</b>		Individual: None Family: None	Individual: \$250 Family: \$500
<b>Calendar Year Out-of-Pocket Maximum</b>		Individual: \$3,300 Family: \$6,600	Individual: \$1,250 Family: \$2,500
<b>Calendar Year Deductible</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Only the amount you pay for in-network covered expenses counts toward your in-network deductible. The amount you pay for out-of-network covered expenses counts toward both your in-network and out-of-network deductibles.</li> <li>After each eligible family member meets his or her individual deductible, covered expenses for that family member will be paid based on the coinsurance level specified by the plan. Or, after the family deductible has been met, covered expenses for each eligible family member will be paid based on the coinsurance level specified by the plan.</li> </ul>		
<b>Calendar Year Out-of-Pocket Maximum</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Only the amount you pay for in-network covered expenses counts toward your in-network out-of-pocket maximum. The amount you pay for out-of-network covered expenses counts toward both your in-network and out-of-network out-of-pocket maximums.</li> <li>Plan deductible contributes towards your out-of-pocket maximum.</li> <li>All copays and benefit deductibles contribute towards your out-of-pocket maximum.</li> <li>Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder covered expenses contribute towards your out-of-pocket maximum.</li> <li>After each eligible family member meets his or her individual out-of-pocket maximum, the plan will pay 100% of their covered expenses. Or, after the family out-of-pocket maximum has been met, the plan will pay 100% of each eligible family member's covered expenses.</li> </ul>		

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Benefit	In-Network	Out-of-Network
<p>Note: Services where plan deductible applies are noted with a caret (^)</p>		
<p><b>Physician Services</b></p>		
<p><b>Physician Office Visit</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All services including Lab &amp; X-ray</li> <li>Plan pays 100% after you pay copay</li> </ul>	\$25 Primary Care Physician (PCP) copay or \$25 Specialist copay	Your plan pays 80% ^
<p><b>Surgery Performed In Physician's Office</b></p>	Your plan pays 100%	Your plan pays 80% ^
<p><b>Allergy Serum</b></p> <p>Dispensed by the physician in the office</p>	Your plan pays 100%	Your plan pays 80% ^
<p><b>Allergy Treatment/Injections</b></p>	Your plan pays 100%	Your plan pays 80% ^
<p><b>Preventive Care</b></p>		
<p><b>Preventive Care</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Includes well-baby, well-child, well-woman, and adult preventive care</li> <li>Includes coverage of additional services, such as urinalysis, EKG, and other laboratory tests, supplementing the standard Preventive Care benefit.</li> <li>Includes coverage for preventive Breast Ultrasounds</li> </ul>	Your plan pays 100%	Your plan pays 80% ^
<p><b>Immunizations</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Includes travel Immunizations</li> </ul>	Your plan pays 100%	Your plan pays 80% ^
<p><b>Mammogram, PAP, and PSA Tests</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Coverage includes the associated Preventive Outpatient Professional Services.</li> <li>Diagnostic-related services are covered at the same level of benefits as other x-ray and lab services, based on place of service.</li> </ul>	Your plan pays 100%	Your plan pays 80% ^
<p><b>Inpatient</b></p>		
<p><b>Inpatient Hospital Facility</b></p>	\$200 per admission copay, then your plan pays 100%	Your plan pays 80% ^
<p><b>Semi-Private Room: In-Network: Limited to the semi-private negotiated rate / Out-of-Network: Limited to semi-private rate</b></p> <p><b>Private Room: In-Network: Limited to the semi-private negotiated rate / Out-of-Network: Limited to semi-private rate</b></p> <p><b>Special Care Units (Intensive Care Unit (ICU), Critical Care Unit (CCU)):</b> In-Network: Limited to the negotiated rate / Out-of-Network: Limited to ICU/CCU daily room rate</p>		
<p><b>Inpatient Hospital Physician's Visit/Consultation</b></p>	Your plan pays 100%	Your plan pays 80% ^
<p><b>Inpatient Professional Services</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For services performed by Surgeons, Radiologists, Pathologists and Anesthesiologists</li> </ul>	Your plan pays 100%	Your plan pays 80% ^
<p><b>Outpatient</b></p>		
<p><b>Outpatient Facility Services</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Non-surgical treatment procedures are not subject to the facility per visit copay/benefit deductible</li> </ul>	\$200 per facility visit copay, then your plan pays 100%	Your plan pays 80% ^

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Benefit		In-Network	Out-of-Network
<p>Note: Services where plan deductible applies are noted with a caret (^)</p> <p><b>Outpatient Professional Services</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For services performed by Surgeons, Radiologists, Pathologists and Anesthesiologists</li> </ul>			
	Your plan pays: 100%	Your plan pays 80% ^	
	Day 1 through 66: \$25 PCP or \$25 Specialist copay	Your plan pays 80% ^	
	Day 67 and over: Plan pays 80%	Your plan pays 80% ^	
<p><b>Short-Term Rehabilitation:</b></p> <p>Calendar Year Maximums:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cognitive Therapy, Physical Therapy, Speech Therapy, Occupational Therapy, and Chiropractic Care – Unlimited days</li> <li>All Speech therapy is covered regardless of condition or diagnosis</li> <li>Physical therapy covered for lack of coordination</li> </ul> <p>Note: Therapy days, provided as part of an approved Home Health Care plan, does not accumulate to the applicable outpatient short term rehab therapy maximum.</p> <p><b>Cardiac and Pulmonary Rehabilitation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Unlimited days maximum per Calendar Year</li> </ul>			
<p><b>Other Health Care Facilities/Services</b></p> <p><b>Home Health Care</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Includes outpatient private duty nursing subject to medical necessity</li> <li>Unlimited days maximum per Calendar Year</li> <li>16 hour maximum per day</li> </ul> <p><b>Skilled Nursing Facility, Rehabilitation Hospital, Sub-Acute Facility</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>180 days maximum per Calendar Year</li> </ul> <p><b>Durable Medical Equipment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Unlimited maximum per Calendar Year</li> <li>Includes coverage for Orthotics when medically necessary</li> </ul> <p><b>Breast Feeding Equipment and Supplies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Limited to the rental of one breast pump per birth as ordered or prescribed by a physician.</li> <li>Includes related supplies</li> </ul> <p><b>External Prosthetic Appliances (EPA)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Unlimited maximum per Calendar Year</li> </ul> <p><b>Early Intervention Services</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For children to age 3</li> </ul>			
	Your plan pays 100%	Your plan pays 80% ^	
	\$200 per facility visit copay, then your plan pays 100%	Your plan pays 80% ^	
	Your plan pays 100%	Your plan pays 80% ^	
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Benefit	In-Network	Out-of-Network
<p><b>Note: Services where plan deductible applies are noted with a caret (^)</b></p> <p><b>Dietary Supplements &amp; Nutritional Formulas</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For children age 12 and under</li> <li>• Includes coverage for infant formula needed for treatment of inborn errors of metabolism, including the treatment of cystic fibrosis.</li> <li>• Includes coverage for nutritional formulas used to treat malabsorption disorders, such as Crohn's disease and gastroesophageal reflux.</li> <li>• Includes coverage for specialized formulas for infants and children through the age of 12 with food allergies or protein intolerance.</li> </ul>	Your plan pays 100%	Your plan pays 80% ^
<p><b>Hearing Aid</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$1,000 maximum per 24 months</li> <li>• Includes one exam testing and fitting of hearing aid devices covered at PCP or Specialist Office visit level</li> <li>• Coverage through age 12</li> </ul>	Your plan pays 100%	Your plan pays 80% ^
<p><b>Oral Surgery - Removal of Bony Impacted Teeth</b></p>	<p><b>Inpatient Facility:</b> \$200 per admission copay, then Plan pays 100% coinsurance</p> <p><b>Outpatient Facility:</b> \$200 per facility visit copay, then Plan pays 100% coinsurance</p> <p><b>Physician's Office:</b> \$25 PCP or \$25 Specialist copay; then Plan pays 100%</p>	Your plan pays 80% ^
<p><b>Wigs</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$350 maximum per Calendar Year</li> </ul>	Your plan pays 100%	Your plan pays 100%
<p><b>Routine Foot Disorders</b></p> <p><b>Note: Services associated with foot care for diabetes and peripheral vascular disease are covered when medically necessary.</b></p>	Not Covered	Not Covered

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Place of Service - your plan pays based on where you receive services									
Note: Services where plan deductible applies are noted with a caret (^)									
Benefit	Physician's Office		Independent Lab		Emergency Room/Urgent Care Facility		Outpatient Facility		Outpatient Facility
	In-Network	Out-of-Network	In-Network	Out-of-Network	In-Network	Out-of-Network	In-Network	Out-of-Network	
Lab and X-ray	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 80%	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 80%	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 80%	Plan pays 80%
Advanced Radiology Imaging	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 80%	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 80%	Plan pays 80%
Advanced Radiology Imaging (ARI) includes MRI, MRA, CAT Scan, PET Scan, etc... Note: All lab and x-ray services, including ARI, provided at Inpatient Hospital are covered under Inpatient Hospital benefit.									
Benefit	Emergency Room / Urgent Care Facility		Outpatient Professional Services		*Ambulance				
	In-Network	Out-of-Network	In-Network	Out-of-Network	In-Network	Out-of-Network	In-Network	Out-of-Network	
Emergency Care	\$100 per visit (copay waived if admitted)		Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 100%	
Urgent Care	\$50 per visit (copay waived if admitted)		Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 100%	
*Ambulance services used as non-emergency transportation (e.g., transportation from hospital back home) generally are not covered.									
Benefit	Inpatient Hospital and Other Health Care Facilities		Outpatient Services						
	In-Network	Out-of-Network	In-Network	Out-of-Network	In-Network	Out-of-Network	In-Network	Out-of-Network	
Hospice Bereavement Counseling	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 80% ^	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 80% ^	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 80% ^	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 80% ^	
Note: Services provided as part of Hospice Care Program									
Note: Services where plan deductible applies are noted with a caret (^)									
Benefit	Initial Visit to Confirm Pregnancy		Global Maternity Fee (All Subsequent Prenatal Visits, Postnatal Visits and Physician's Delivery Charges)		Office Visits in Addition to Global Maternity Fee (Performed by OB/GYN or Specialist)		Delivery - Facility (Inpatient Hospital, Birthing Center)		
	In-Network	Out-of-Network	In-Network	Out-of-Network	In-Network	Out-of-Network	In-Network	Out-of-Network	
Maternity	\$25 PCP or \$25 Specialist copay	Plan pays 80%	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 80%	\$25 PCP or \$25 Specialist copay	Plan pays 80%	Covered same as plan's Inpatient Hospital benefit	Covered same as plan's Inpatient Hospital benefit	
Note: Services where plan deductible applies are noted with a caret (^)									

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Benefit	Physician's Office		Inpatient Facility		Outpatient Facility		Inpatient Professional Services		Outpatient Professional Services	
	In-Network	Out-of-Network	In-Network	Out-of-Network	In-Network	Out-of-Network	In-Network	Out-of-Network	In-Network	Out-of-Network
<b>Abortion</b> (Elective and non-elective procedures)	\$25 PCP or \$25 Specialist copay	Plan pays 80% ^	\$200 per admission copay, then 100%	Plan pays 80% ^	\$200 per facility visit copay, then 100%	Plan pays 90% ^	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 80% ^	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 80% ^
<b>Family Planning - Men's Services</b>	\$25 PCP or \$25 Specialist copay	Plan pays 80% ^	\$200 per admission copay, then 100%	Plan pays 80% ^	\$200 per facility visit copay, then 100%	Plan pays 80% ^	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 80% ^	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 80% ^
Includes surgical services, such as vasectomy (excludes reversals)										
<b>Family Planning - Women's Services</b>	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 80% ^	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 80% ^	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 80% ^	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 80% ^	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 80% ^
Includes surgical services, such as tubal ligation (excludes reversals) Contraceptive devices as ordered or prescribed by a physician.										
<b>Infertility</b>	\$25 PCP or \$25 Specialist copay	Plan pays 80% ^	\$200 per admission copay, then 100%	Plan pays 80% ^	\$200 per facility visit copay, then 100%	Plan pays 80% ^	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 80% ^	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 80% ^
Infertility covered services: lab and radiology test, counseling, surgical treatment, includes artificial insemination, in-vitro fertilization, GIFT, ZIFT, etc. Unlimited lifetime maximum										
<b>TMJ, Surgical and Non-Surgical</b>	\$25 PCP or \$25 Specialist copay	Plan pays 80% ^	\$200 per admission copay, then 100%	Plan pays 80% ^	\$200 per facility visit copay, then 100%	Plan pays 80% ^	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 80% ^	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 80% ^
Services provided on a case-by-case basis. Includes appliances & excludes orthodontic treatment. Subject to medical necessity. Unlimited maximum per lifetime										
<b>Bariatric Surgery</b>	\$25 PCP or \$25 Specialist copay	Plan pays 80% ^	\$200 per admission copay, then 100%	Plan pays 80% ^	\$200 per facility visit copay, then 100%	Plan pays 80% ^	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 80% ^	Plan pays 100%	Plan pays 80% ^
<b>Surgeon Charges Lifetime Maximum: Unlimited</b>										

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Benefit	Physician's Office		Inpatient Facility		Outpatient Facility		Inpatient Professional Services		Outpatient Professional Services	
	In-Network	Out-of-Network	In-Network	Out-of-Network	In-Network	Out-of-Network	In-Network	Out-of-Network	In-Network	Out-of-Network
Treatment of clinically severe obesity, as defined by the body mass index (BMI) is covered. The following are excluded: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• medical and surgical services to alter appearances or physical changes that are the result of any surgery performed for the management of obesity or clinically severe (morbid) obesity.</li> <li>• weight loss programs or treatments, whether prescribed or recommended by a physician or under medical supervision</li> </ul> Note: Services where plan deductible applies are noted with a caret (^)										
<b>Inpatient Hospital Facility</b>										
Benefit	Lifeshore Facility In-Network		Non-Lifeshore Facility In-Network		Out-of-Network		Lifeshore Facility In-Network		Non-Lifeshore Facility In-Network	
Organ Transplants	\$200 per admission copay		\$200 per admission copay, then plan pays 100%		Plan pays 80% ^		Plan pays 100%		Plan pays 100%	
• Travel Lifetime Maximum - Lifeshore Facility: In-Network: \$10,000 maximum per Transplant per Lifetime Note: Services where plan deductible applies are noted with a caret (^)										
<b>Inpatient Professional Services</b>										
Benefit	In-Network		Out-of-Network		Outpatient - Physician's Office In-Network		Outpatient - All Other Services In-Network		Outpatient - All Other Services Out-of-Network	
Mental Health	\$200 per admission copay, then plan pays 100%		Plan pays 80% ^		\$0 copay		Plan pays 80% ^		Plan pays 80% ^	
Substance Use Disorder	\$200 per admission copay, then plan pays 100%		Plan pays 80% ^		\$0 copay		Plan pays 80% ^		Plan pays 80% ^	
Note: Services where plan deductible applies are noted with a caret (^) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Detox is covered under medical</li> <li>• Unlimited maximum per Calendar Year</li> <li>• Services are paid at 100% after you reach your out-of-pocket maximum.</li> <li>• Inpatient includes Residential Treatment.</li> <li>• Outpatient includes partial hospitalization and individual, intensive outpatient and group therapy.</li> </ul>										

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**Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Services**

**Mental Health/Substance Use Disorder Utilization Review, Case Management and Programs**

- Cigna Total Behavioral Health - Inpatient and Outpatient Management
- Inpatient utilization review and case management
- Outpatient utilization review and case management
- Partial Hospitalization
- Intensive outpatient programs
- Changing Lives by Integrating Mind and Body Program
- Lifestyle Management Programs: Stress Management, Tobacco Cessation and Weight Management.
- Narcotic Therapy Management
- Complex Psychiatric Case Management

**Pharmacy**

**In-Network**

Retail - 34 day supply  
 Generic: You pay \$0  
 Preferred Brand: You pay \$25  
 Non-Preferred Brand: You pay \$40

Home delivery - 90day supply  
 Generic: You pay \$0  
 Preferred Brand: You pay \$25  
 Non-Preferred Brand: You pay \$40

**Out-of-Network**

Express Scripts Pharmacy three tier copay plan

Not covered

**Additional Information**

**Case Management**

Coordinated by Cigna HealthCare. This is a service designated to provide assistance to a patient who is at risk of developing medical complexities or for whom a health incident has precipitated a need for rehabilitation or additional health care support. The program strives to attain a balance between quality and cost effective care while maximizing the patient's quality of life.

**Maximum Reimbursable Charge**

Out-of-Network services are subject to a Calendar Year deductible and maximum reimbursable charge limitations. Payments made to health care professionals not participating in Cigna's network are determined based on the lesser of: the health care professional's normal charge for a similar service or supply, or a percentage (200%) of a fee schedule developed by Cigna that is based on a methodology similar to one used by Medicare to determine the allowable fee for the same or similar service in a geographic area. In some cases, the Medicare based fee schedule is not used, and the maximum reimbursable charge for covered services is determined based on the lesser of: the health care professional's normal charge for a similar service or supply, or the amount charged for that service by 20% of the health care professionals in the geographic area where it is received. The health care professional may bill the customer the difference between the health care professional's normal charge and the Maximum Reimbursable Charge as determined by the benefit plan, in addition to applicable deductibles, co-payments and coinsurance.

**Multiple Surgical Reduction**

Multiple surgeries performed during one operating session result in payment reduction of 50% to the surgery of lesser charge. The most expensive procedure is paid as any other surgery.

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**Additional Information**

**Pre-Certification - Continued Stay Review - PHS Inpatient** - required for all inpatient admissions in Network: Coordinated by your physician  
 Out-of-Network: Customer is responsible for contacting Cigna Healthcare. Subject to penalty/reduction or denial for non-compliance.  
 • The lesser of 50% or \$500 penalty applied to hospital inpatient charges for failure to contact Cigna Healthcare to pre-certify admission.  
 • Benefits are denied for any admission reviewed by Cigna Healthcare and not certified.  
 • Benefits are denied for any additional days not certified by Cigna Healthcare.

**Pre-Existing Condition Limitation (PCL)** does not apply.  
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<p>Individuals with one or more of the chronic conditions, identified on the right, may be eligible to receive the following type of support:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Condition Management</li> <li>• Medication adherence</li> <li>• Risk factor management</li> <li>• Lifestyle issues</li> <li>• Health &amp; Wellness issues</li> <li>• Pre/post-admission</li> <li>• Treatment decision support</li> <li>• Gaps in care</li> </ul>	<p>Holistic health support for the following chronic health conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Heart Disease</li> <li>• Coronary Artery Disease</li> <li>• Angina</li> <li>• Congestive Heart Failure</li> <li>• Acute Myocardial Infarction</li> <li>• Peripheral Arterial Disease</li> <li>• Asthma</li> <li>• Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (Emphysema and Chronic Bronchitis)</li> <li>• Diabetes Type 1</li> <li>• Diabetes Type 2</li> <li>• Metabolic Syndrome/Weight Complications</li> <li>• Osteoarthritis</li> <li>• Low Back Pain</li> <li>• Anxiety</li> <li>• Bipolar Disorder</li> <li>• Depression</li> </ul>
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**Definitions**

**Coinsurance** - After you've reached your deductible, you and your plan share some of your medical costs. The portion of covered expenses you are responsible for is called Coinsurance.  
**Copay** - A flat fee you pay for certain covered services such as doctor's visits or prescriptions.  
**Deductible** - A flat dollar amount you must pay out of your own pocket before your plan begins to pay for covered services.  
**Out-of-Pocket Maximum** - Specific limits for the total amount you will pay out of your own pocket before your plan coinsurance percentage no longer applies. Once you meet these maximums, your plan then pays 100 percent of the "Maximum Reimbursable Charges" or negotiated fees for covered services.  
**Transition of Care** - Provides in-network health coverage to new customers when the customer's doctor is not part of the Cigna network and there are approved clinical reasons why the customer should continue to see the same doctor.

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## Exclusions

### What's Not Covered (not all-inclusive):

Your plan provides for most medically necessary services. The complete list of exclusions is provided in your Certificate or Summary Plan Description. To the extent there may be differences, the terms of the Certificate or Summary Plan Description control. Examples of things your plan does not cover, unless required by law or covered under the pharmacy benefit, include (but aren't limited to):

- Care for health conditions that are required by state or local law to be treated in a public facility.
- Care required by state or federal law to be supplied by a public school system or school district.
- Care for military service disabilities treatable through governmental services if you are legally entitled to such treatment and facilities are reasonably available.
- Treatment of an Injury or Sickness which is due to war, declared, or undeclared, riot or insurrection.
- Charges which you are not obligated to pay or for which you are not billed or for which you would not have been billed except that they were covered under this plan. For example, if Cigna determines that a provider is or has waived, reduced, or forgiven any portion of its charges and/or any portion of copayment, deductible, and/or coinsurance amount(s) you are required to pay for a Covered Service (as shown on the Schedule) without Cigna's express consent, then Cigna in its sole discretion shall have the right to deny the payment of benefits in connection with the Covered Service, or reduce the benefits in proportion to the amount of the copayment, deductible, and/or coinsurance amounts waived, forgiven or reduced, regardless of whether the provider represents that you remain responsible for any amounts that your plan does not cover. In the exercise of that discretion, Cigna shall have the right to require you to provide proof sufficient to Cigna that you have made your required cost share payment(s) prior to the payment of any benefits by Cigna. This exclusion includes, but is not limited to, charges of a Non-Participating Provider who has agreed to charge you or charged you at an in-network benefits level or some other benefits level not otherwise applicable to the services received.
- Charges arising out of or related to any violation of a healthcare-related state or federal law or which themselves are a violation of a healthcare-related state or federal law.
- Assistance in the activities of daily living, including but not limited to eating, bathing, dressing or other Custodial Services or self-care activities, home-maker services and services primarily for rest, domiciliary or convalescent care.
- For or in connection with experimental, investigational or unproven services.
- Experimental, investigational and unproven services are medical, surgical, diagnostic, psychiatric, substance use disorder or other health care technologies, supplies, treatments, procedures, drug therapies or devices that are determined by the utilization review Physician to be:
  - o Not demonstrated, through existing peer-reviewed, evidence-based, scientific literature to be safe and effective for treating or diagnosing the condition or sickness for which its use is proposed;
  - o Not approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) or other appropriate regulatory agency to be lawfully marketed for the proposed use;
  - o The subject of review or approval by an Institutional Review Board for the proposed use except as provided in the "Clinical Trials" section of this plan; or
  - o The subject of an ongoing phase I, II or III clinical trial, except for routine patient care costs related to qualified clinical trials as provided in the "Clinical Trials" section(s) of this plan.
- Cosmetic surgery and therapies. Cosmetic surgery or therapy is defined as surgery or therapy performed to improve or alter appearance.
- The following services are excluded from coverage regardless of clinical indications: Acupuncture; Craniosacral/cranial therapy; Dance therapy; Movement therapy; Applied kinesiology; Rolifing; Proliferation; and Extracorporeal shock wave lithotripsy (ESWL) for musculoskeletal and orthopedic conditions.
- Dental treatment of the teeth, gums or structures directly supporting the teeth, including dental X-rays, examinations, repairs, orthodontics, periodontics, casts, splints and services for dental malocclusion, for any condition. Charges made for services or supplies provided for or in connection with an accidental injury to sound natural teeth are covered provided a continuous course of dental treatment is started within six months of an accident. Sound natural teeth are defined as natural teeth that are free of active clinical decay, have at least 50% bony support and are functional in the arch.
- For medical and surgical services intended primarily for the treatment or control of obesity. However, treatment of clinically severe obesity, as defined by the

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## EXCLUSIONS

- body mass index (BMI) classifications of the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute guideline is covered if the services are demonstrated, through peer-reviewed medical literature and scientifically based guidelines, to be safe and effective for treatment of the condition.
- Unless otherwise covered in this plan, for reports, evaluations, physical examinations, or hospitalization not required for health reasons including, but not limited to, employment, insurance or government licenses, and court-ordered, forensic or custodial evaluations.
- Court-ordered treatment or hospitalization, unless such treatment is prescribed by a Physician and listed as covered in this plan.
- Transsexual surgery including medical or psychological counseling and hormonal therapy in preparation for, or subsequent to, any such surgery.
- Any medications, drugs, services or supplies for the treatment of male or female sexual dysfunction such as, but not limited to, treatment of erectile dysfunction (including penile implants), anorgasmia, and premature ejaculation.
- Medical and Hospital care and costs for the infant child of a Dependent, unless this infant child is otherwise eligible under this plan.
- Nonmedical counseling or ancillary services, including but not limited to Custodial Services, education, training, vocational rehabilitation, behavioral training, biofeedback, neurofeedback, hypnosis, sleep therapy, employment counseling, back school, return to work services, work hardening programs, driving safety, and services, training, educational therapy or other nonmedical ancillary services for learning disabilities, developmental delays, autism or intellectual disabilities.
- Therapy or treatment intended primarily to improve or maintain general physical condition or for the purpose of enhancing job, school, athletic or recreational performance, including but not limited to routine, long term, or maintenance care which is provided after the resolution of the acute medical problem and when significant therapeutic improvement is not expected.
- Consumable medical supplies other than ostomy supplies and urinary catheters. Excluded supplies include, but are not limited to bandages and other disposable medical supplies, skin preparations and test strips, except as specified in the "Home Health Services" or "Breast Reconstruction and Breast Prostheses" sections of this plan.
- Private Hospital rooms and/or private duty nursing except as provided under the Home Health Services provision.
- Personal or comfort items such as personal care kits provided on admission to a Hospital, television, telephone, newborn infant photographs, complimentary meals, birth announcements, and other articles which are not for the specific treatment of an injury or Sickness.
- Artificial aids including, but not limited to, corrective orthopedic shoes, arch supports, garter belts, corsets, and dentures
- Aids or devices that assist with nonverbal communications, including but not limited to communication boards, pre-recorded speech devices, laptop computers, desktop computers, Personal Digital Assistants (PDAs), Braille typewriters, visual alert systems for the deaf and memory books.
- Eyeglass lenses and frames and contact lenses (except for the first pair of contact lenses for treatment of keratoconus or post cataract surgery).
- Routine refractions, eye exercises and surgical treatment for the correction of a refractive error, including radial keratotomy.
- Treatment by acupuncture.
- All non-injectable prescription drugs, injectable prescription drugs that do not require Physician supervision and are typically considered self-administered drugs, nonprescription drugs, and investigational and experimental drugs, except as provided in this plan.
- Routine foot care, including the paring and removing of corns and calluses or trimming of nails. However, services associated with foot care for diabetes and peripheral vascular disease are covered when Medically Necessary.
- Membership costs or fees associated with health clubs, weight loss programs and smoking cessation programs.
- Genetic screening or pre-implantations genetic screening. General population-based genetic screening is a testing method performed in the absence of any symptoms or any significant, proven risk factors for genetically linked inheritable disease.
- Dental implants for any condition.
- Fees associated with the collection or donation of blood or blood products, except for autologous donation in anticipation of scheduled services where in the utilization review Physician's opinion the likelihood of excess blood loss is such that transfusion is an expected adjunct to surgery.
- Blood administration for the purpose of general improvement in physical condition.
- Cost of biologicals that are immunizations or medications for the purpose of travel or to protect against occupational hazards and risks.

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### Exclusions

- Cosmetics and health and beauty aids.
- All nutritional supplements and formulae except for infant formula needed for the treatment of inborn errors of metabolism, except as shown in Covered Services
- Medical treatment for a person age 65 or older, who is covered under this plan as a retiree, or their Dependent, when payment is denied by the Medicare plan because treatment was received from a nonparticipating provider.
- Medical treatment when payment is denied by a Primary Plan because treatment was received from a nonparticipating provider.
- For or in connection with an Injury or Sickness arising out of, or in the course of, any employment for wage or profit.
- Telephone, e-mail, and Internet consultations and telemedicine
- Massage therapy.

### These are only the highlights

This summary outlines the highlights of your plan. For a complete list of both covered and not covered services, including benefits required by your state, see your employer's insurance certificate or summary plan description – the official plan documents. If there are any differences between this summary and the plan documents, the information in the plan documents takes precedence. This summary provides additional information not provided in the Summary of Benefits and Coverage document required by the Federal Government.

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**APPENDIX D  
DENTAL PLAN**

**Cigna Dental Benefit Summary**  
**Meriden City & Board of Education,**  
**DPPOI Effective Date: 07-01-2017**



All deductibles, plan maximums, and service specific maximums (dollar and occurrence) cross accumulate between in and out of network

**Benefits**

**Cigna Dental PPO**

Network	In-Network		Out-of-Network	
	Total Cigna DPPO			
Calendar Year Maximum (Class I, II and III expenses)	Unlimited		Unlimited	
Annual Deductible	None		None	
Individual	None		None	
Family	None		None	
Reimbursement Levels**	Based on Reduced Contracted Fees		Paid as Billed	
	Plan Pays	You Pay	Plan Pays	You Pay
<b>Class I - Preventive &amp; Diagnostic Care</b>	100%	No Charge	100%	No Charge
Oral Exams Routine Cleanings Bitewing X-rays Full Mouth X-rays Panoramic X-ray Emergency Care to Relieve Pain Fluoride Application				
<b>Class II - Basic Restorative Care</b>	100%	0%	100%	0%
Fillings Root Canal Therapy/Endodontics Osseous Surgery Surgical Extractions of Impacted Teeth Brush Biopsies Denture Repairs Denture Relines, Rebases and Adjustments Repairs to Bridges, Crowns and Inlays Oral Surgery - Simple Extractions Stainless Steel Crowns				
<b>Class III - Major Restorative Care</b>	50%	50%	50%	50%
Crowns/Inlays/Onlays Oral Surgery - all except simple extractions Dentures Bridges Prosthesis Over Implant Space Maintainers (Limited to non-orthodontic treatment)				
<b>Class IV - Orthodontia</b>	60%	40%	60%	40%
Lifetime Maximum	\$600 Dependent children to age 19		\$600 Dependent children to age 19	
<b>Class VI Expenses- Periodontics</b>	50%	50%	50%	50%
Major & Minor Periodontics				
Calendar Year Maximum	\$500		\$500	

Pre-treatment review is available on a voluntary basis when extensive dental work in excess of \$200 is proposed.  
 Dental Oral Health Integration Program (OHIP) - All dental customers - Clinical research shows an association between oral health and overall health. The Cigna Dental Oral Health Integration Program (OHIP) is designed to provide enhanced dental coverage for customers with certain eligible medical conditions. Eligible conditions for the program include cardiovascular disease, cerebrovascular disease (stroke), diabetes, maternity, chronic kidney disease, organ transplants, and head and neck cancer radiation. The program provides:

- 100% coverage for certain dental procedures
- guidance on behavioral issues related to oral health
- discounts on prescription and non-prescription dental products

For more information and to see the complete list of eligible conditions, go to [www.mycigna.com](http://www.mycigna.com) or call customer service 24/7 at 1.800.CIGNA24

\*\* For services provided by a Cigna Dental PPO network dentist, Cigna Dental will reimburse the dentist according to a Contracted Fee Schedule. For services provided by an out-of-network dentist, Cigna Dental will reimburse according to Reasonable and Customary Allowances but the dentist may balance bill up to their usual fees.

**Cigna Dental PPO Exclusions and Limitations**

Procedure	Exclusions and Limitations
Exams	Two per Calendar year
Prophylaxis (Cleanings)	Two per Calendar year
Fluoride	2 per Calendar year for people under 19
X-Rays (routine)	Bitewings: 2 per Calendar year
X-Rays (non-routine)	Full mouth: 1 every 36 consecutive months. Panorax: 1 every 36 consecutive months
Model	Payable only when in conjunction with Ortho workup
Moro Prio (non-surgical)	Various limitations depending on the service
Perio Surgery	Various limitations depending on the service
Crowns and Inlays	Replacement every 5 years
Bridges	Replacement every 5 years
Dentures and Partials	Replacement every 5 years
Retainers, Retaxes	Covered if more than 6 months after installation
Adjusters	Covered if more than 6 months after installation
Repairs - Bridge	Reviewed if more than once
Repairs - Dentures	Reviewed if more than once
Space Maintainers	Limited to non-orthodontic treatment; up to age 19, two per lifetime
Prosthetic Over Implant	1 per 60 consecutive months if unserviceable and cannot be repaired. Benefits are based on the amount payable for non-precious metals. No porcelain or white-tooth colored material on molar crowns or bridges

**Benefit Exclusions:**

- Services performed primarily for cosmetic reasons
- Sealants
- Anesthesia (General or IV Sedation)
- Pins, Core build-ups and/or post and cores which are placed under crowns or bridge abutments
- Fixed or removable appliances to control harmful habits (i.e. thumb sucking, and tongue thrusting)
- Replacement of a lost or broken appliance
- Replacement of a bridge or denture within five years following the date of its original installation
- Replacement of a bridge or denture which can be made adjustable according
- Procedures, appliances or restorations, other than full dentures, whose main purpose is to change vertical dimension, diagnose or treat conditions of TMJ, stabilize periodically involved teeth, or restore occlusion
- Veneers of porcelain or acrylic materials on crowns or pontics on or replacing the upper and lower first, second and third molars
- Bite registrations, porcelain or semi-precision attachments, splinting
- A surgical implant of any type
- Instruction for plaque control, oral hygiene and diet
- Dental services that do not meet common dental standards
- Services that are deemed to be medical services
- Services and supplies received from a hospital
- Charges which the person is not legally required to pay
- Charges made by a hospital which performs services for the U.S. Government if the charges are directly related to a condition connected to a military service
- Experimental or investigational procedures and treatments
- Any injury resulting from, or in the course of, any employment for wage or profit
- Any sickness covered under any workers' compensation or similar law
- Charges in excess of the reasonable and customary allowances
- To the extent that payment is unlawful where the person resides when the expenses are incurred.
- Procedures performed by a Dentist who is a member of the covered person's family (covered person's family is limited to a spouse, siblings, parents, children, grandparents, and the spouse's siblings and parents).
- For charges which would not have been made if the person had no insurance.
- For charges for unnecessary care, treatment or surgery.
- To the extent that you or any of your Dependents is in any way paid or entitled to payment for those expenses by or through a public program, other than Medicaid.
- To the extent that benefits are paid or payable for those expenses under the mandatory part of any auto insurance policy written to comply with a "no-fault" insurance law or an uninsured motorist insurance law. Cigna HealthCare will take into account any adjustment option chosen under such part by you or any one of your Dependents.
- In addition, these benefits will be reduced so that the total payment will not be more than 100% of the charge made for the Dental Service if benefits are provided for that service under this plan and any medical expense plan or prepaid treatment program sponsored or made available by your Employer.

*This benefit summary highlights some of the benefits available under the proposed plan. A complete description regarding the terms of coverage, exclusions and limitations, including legislative benefits, will be provided in your insurance certificate or plan description. Benefits are issued and/or administered by Connecticut General Life Insurance Company.*

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DPP0 insurance coverage is set forth on the following policy form numbers: AR: HP-POL77; CA: HP-POL57; CO: HP-POL78; CT: HP-POL58;

DE: HP-POL79; FL: HP-POL69; ID: HP-POL82; IL: HP-POL62; KS: HP-POL84; LA: HP-POL86; MA: HP-POL63; MI: HP-POL88; MO: HP-POL65; MS: HP-POL90; NC: HP-POL96; NE: HP-POL92; NH: HP-POL94; NM: HP-POL95; NV: HP-POL93; NY: HP-POL67; OH: HP-POL98; OK: HP-POL95; OR: HP-POL68; PA: HP-POL100; RI: HP-POL101; SC: HP-POL102; SD: HP-POL103; TN: HP-POL69; TX: HP-POL70; UT: HP-POL104; VA: HP-POL72; VT: HP-POL71; WA: POL-0208; WI: HP-POL107; WV: HP-POL106; and WY: HP-POL106.

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# APPENDIX E VISION PLAN

**SUMMARY OF BENEFITS** Cigna Health and Life Insurance Co.



Cigna Vision  
 Meriden City & Board of Education  
 E1 - Standard PPO Exam Only Plan

Welcome to Cigna Vision  
 Schedule of Vision Coverage

Coverage	In-Network Benefit	Out-of-Network Benefit	Frequency Period**
Exam Copay	\$0	N/A	12 months
Exam Allowance (once per frequency period)	Covered 100% after Copay	Up to \$45	12 months

\*\* Your Frequency Period begins on the 1st of your plan renewal month (Contract year basis)

**Definitions:**

**Copay:** the amount you pay towards your exam.

**Coinurance:** the percentage of charges Cigna will pay. Customer is financially responsible for the balance

**Allowance:** the maximum amount Cigna will pay. Customer is financially responsible for any amount over the allowance.

- To receive in-network benefits, you cannot use this coverage with any other discounts, promotions, or prior orders.
- If you use other discounts and/or promotions instead of this vision coverage, or go to an out-of-network eye care professional, you may file an out-of-network claim to be reimbursed for allowable expenses.

**In-Network Coverage Includes:**

- One vision and eye health evaluation including but not limited to eye health examination, dilation, refraction, and prescription for glasses.

**Vision Network Savings Program:**

- When you see a Cigna Vision Network Eye Care Professional\*, you can save 20% (or more) on additional frames and/or lenses, including lens options, with a valid prescription. This savings does not apply to contact lens materials. See your Cigna Vision Network Eye Care Professional for details.

\* Provider participation is 100% voluntary, please check with your Eye Care Professional for any offered discounts.

**What's Not Covered:**

- Orthoptic or vision training and any associated supplemental testing
- Medical or surgical treatment of the eye
- Any eye examination, or any corrective eyewear, required by an employer as a condition of employment
- Any injury or illness when paid or payable by Workers' Compensation or similar law, or which is work-related
- Charges in excess of the usual and customary charge for covered Services
- Charges incurred after the policy ends or the insured's coverage under the policy ends, except as stated in the policy
- Experimental or non-conventional treatment or device
- Claims submitted and received in-excess of twelve (12) months from the original Date of Service

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#### How to use your Cigna Vision Benefits

(Please be aware that the Cigna Vision network is different from the networks supporting our health/medical plans).

##### 1. Finding a doctor

There are three ways to find a quality eye doctor in your area:

1. Log in to [myCigna.com](http://myCigna.com), go to your Cigna Vision coverage page and select "View Details." Then select "Find a Cigna Vision Network Eye Care Professional" to search the Cigna Vision Directory.
2. Don't have access to [myCigna.com](http://myCigna.com)? Go to [Cigna.com](http://Cigna.com) and click on the orange Find a Doctor tab at the top. Then select "Vision Directory", for routine eye exams and eyewear services, from the Other Directories listed below.
3. Prefer the phone? Call the toll-free number found on your Cigna insurance card and talk with a Cigna Vision customer service representative.

##### 2. Schedule an appointment

Identify yourself as a Cigna Vision customer when scheduling an appointment. Present your Cigna or Cigna Vision ID card at the time of your appointment, which will quickly assist the doctor's office with accessing your plan details and verifying your eligibility.

##### 3. Out-of-network plan reimbursement

#### How to use your Cigna Vision Benefits

Send a completed Cigna Vision claim form and itemized receipt to: Cigna Vision, Claims Department: PO Box 997561, Sacramento, CA 95899-7561.

To get a Cigna Vision claim form:

- Go to [Cigna.com](http://Cigna.com) and go to Forms, Vision Forms
- Go to [myCigna.com](http://myCigna.com) and go to your vision coverage page

Cigna Vision will pay for covered expenses within ten business days of receiving the completed claim form and itemized receipt.

Benefits are underwritten or administered by Connecticut General Life Insurance Company or Cigna Health and Life Insurance Company. Any benefit information displayed is intended as a summary of benefits only. It does not describe all the terms, provisions and limitations of your plan. Participating providers are independent contractors solely responsible for your routine vision examinations and products.

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**APPENDIX F**  
**CHANGES TO RETIREE HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE**  
**FOR THE CURRENT POLICE OFFICER**  
**PENSION PLAN**

**Unless otherwise noted these are effective July 1, 2008**

Effective January 1, 2009, employees who retire with twenty (20) to twenty-four (24) years of service will be eligible for 100% paid health insurance minus the active applicable monthly cost share and fifty percent (50%) paid health insurance for spouse\* (\*this amount is exempt from the health insurance cap) or if no insurance is elected retiree will receive the single emolument.

Effective January 1, 2009 employees who retire with twenty-five (25) or more years of service will be eligible for 100% paid health insurance for retiree and spouse minus the applicable active monthly cost share or if no insurance is elected the retiree will receive the member + 1 emolument (if no spouse, single emolument applies).

The health insurance offered to retirees is the same plan design as the active police employees.

At age 65 Retiree if eligible for Medicare shall receive 100% supplemental coverage offered by the City for retiree and any eligible spouse.

At age 65 an employee who is ineligible personally or through his/her spouse for Medicare shall as an emolument be given the equivalent of the city's cost for the Medicare Supplement for retiree and if eligible for his/her spouse.

The annual medical cost share will be capped at \$2,000 for retirements for the period January 1, 2009 - June 30, 2011.

The annual medical cost share will be capped at \$2,500 per fiscal year for retirements from July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2014.

The annual medical cost share will be capped at \$3,000 per fiscal year for retirements from July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2017.

These caps will not be changed after retirement.

The annual medical cost share will have no cap for retirements occurring on or after 7/1/2017.

Duration for the above levels of retiree health insurance will be January 1, 2009 - June 30, 2020.

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**Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)**  
**Between**  
**The City of Meriden and AFSCME AFL CIO COUNCIL 4 - Local 1016**

**Date: January 10, 2022**  
**(Revised October           , 2025)**

Department of Police 50 WEST MAIN STREET MERIDEN, CONNECTICUT 06451  
ROBERTO M. ROSADO Chief of Police Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Between The  
City of Meriden and AFSCME AFL CIO COUNCIL 4 – Local 1016 Date: January 10, 2022

Effective upon signing of both interested parties, the City of Meriden and AFSCME AFL CIO Council 4- Local 1016 agree to the following terms related to supernumerary Police Officer Program. It is agreed these terms may not be changed unless already expressly stated in this Memorandum of Understanding or through mutual consent.

**PURPOSE:**

To establish within the Meriden Police Department a Supernumerary Police Officer Program to supplement private duty details, special events, and critical incidents as needed within the City of Meriden.

**POLICY:**

It shall be the policy of the Meriden Police Department to establish a Supernumerary Police Officer Program, consisting of retired Meriden Police Officers, who retired in good standing and eligible for retirement benefits from the City of Meriden, in an effort to enhance the operations of the Department and to assist in Department functions. Officers retired from a duty related injury or are receiving a medical pension are ineligible for this program.

**PROGRAM:**

Supernumerary Police Officers shall serve as a reserve police officer component of the Meriden Police Department. A supernumerary officer shall have the same authority as fully sworn police officers, but will be used to supplement and aid the active duty Meriden Police Officers (as needed) in staffing private duty details and special events., Only through mutual agreement of the Chief of Police and the Union Executive Board, and after all other MPD resources have been exhausted, will Supernumerary Police officers be authorized to be used in critical incidents (natural disasters, manmade disasters, etc...). It is agreed that if there is an objection of either the Chief of Police or Union Executive Board, on the proposed use, other than staffing private duty details and special events, it will not occur until there is mutual agreement.

The Supernumerary Police Officer Program shall be managed out of the Patrol Operations and report to the Captain of the said division or their designee. Supernumerary Police Officers will adhere and abide by all the same policies, procedures, regulations, and rules of the Meriden Police Department as a fulltime, active Police Officer would be expected to follow.

The size of the program shall generally be kept between eight (8) and twelve (12) Supernumerary Police Officers; however, the Chief of Police reserves the right to reduce or increase the size of the program based the needs of the department.

Supernumerary Police Officers will not hold rank. All Supernumerary Police Officers will receive the same rate of pay, regardless of the rank they held prior to retirement. They will be issued new badge numbers, which shall assist in identifying them as reserve officers.

The pay rate for a Supernumerary Police Officer shall be step E \_\_\_\_\_ rate in accordance with the American Police Local #1016 American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees AFLCIO Contract.

Reserve Officers shall be reimbursed for four (4) hours pay at the Step E \_\_\_\_\_ rate. If the work assignment is over four hours, employees shall be paid a minimum of eight (8) hours pay at Step E \_\_\_\_\_ Probation rate. An assignment over eight (8) hours will then be paid hour by hour or as may be amended from time to time by mutual agreement of the police union and City of Meriden.

Supernumerary Police Officers will be covered by disability benefits while acting in an official capacity for the City of Meriden.

#### PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY:

Applicants to the Meriden Police Supernumerary Police Officer Program must meet the following minimum criteria:

1. Must be a Connecticut Certified Police Officer, who has retired in "Good Standing" from the Meriden Police Department. Good standing is defined as someone of good reputation eligible for retirement benefits from the City of Meriden however, not medically retired, not under internal investigation and not prohibited by state or federal law or the CT Police Officer Standards and Training Council from maintaining Police certification. a. NOTE: Selection and service in the Meriden Police Department's Supernumerary Program is at the sole discretion of the current Chief of Police.
2. The Supernumerary Police Officer applicant must meet all requirements, at their own expense, concerning fitness-for-duty, certification training, and other hiring standards protocol. The city agrees to pay up to \$250.00 towards the cost of enrollment in POST mandated re-certification.
  - The Badge shall also indicate they are a "reserve officer"

While the Supernumerary Police Officer is responsible for the cost of the initial purchase of their equipment, the City will replace such equipment, up to \$150.00 per item, if it is damaged and made unserviceable during the performance of their duties.

#### DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

Meriden Supernumerary Police Officers shall be authorized to perform the following functions:

- Private Duty Assignments - Private Duty Work is received and distributed from the Meriden Police Scheduling Office via a rotational list.
  - Supernumerary Police Officers may only work a private duty assignment after all regular active duty police officers have been offered the job and had a reasonable opportunity to accept the job offered.
  - Once a Supernumerary has been granted a private duty assignment they cannot be "bumped" or have the job taken from them should a regular officer later decide they want the job.

- Supernumerary Police Officers will be offered Private Duty Assignments based on an established rotational list.
- If a Supernumerary Police Officer demonstrates a pattern of accepting, and then canceling from a private duty assignment, they may be subject to suspension from the program for a period of time as determined by the Chief of Police or their designee. Subsequent violations may result in removal from the program.
- Special Events - A Special Event is considered a unique event within the City that requires the support of the Meriden Police Department (Examples: Daffodil Festival, Summer Concert Series, National Night Out, etc...)
  - A Supernumerary Police Officer may be hired to assist during a special event if after attempts to fill the assignments by regular active officers are unsuccessful.
  - Supernumerary Police Officers will fill traffic assignments related to any special event first, and be used for other assignments only if needed. Supernumerary Police Officers shall only be assigned to active police officers during a special event unless it is a traffic assignment.
- Critical Incidents - A critical incident within the City of Meriden is defined as, but not limited to, Natural Disasters, or manmade incident (Examples: train derailment, active shooting incident, hostage situation, etc...).
  - Supernumerary Police Officers may be called in to assist regular patrol in the response to such disasters or incidents by supplementing patrol services only through mutual agreement of the Chief of Police and the Union Executive Board, and after all other MPD resources have been exhausted, will Supernumerary Police officers be authorized to be used in critical incidents (natural disasters, manmade disasters, etc...). It is agreed that if there is an objection of either the Chief of Police or Union Executive Board, on the fees.

3. The Supernumerary Police Officer Program shall have a cap on the age of eligible participants of sixty-five (65) years old.

**PROGRAM TRAINING:**

Meriden Supernumerary Police Officers will maintain all appropriate certifications (i.e. POST) at their own expense. The Meriden Police Professional Development Unit will be responsible for scheduling all required training for the Supernumerary Police Officers. Supernumerary Police Officer failing to meet all the appropriate certifications and training required by POST and the Meriden Police Department will be removed from the program.

**PROGRAM UNIFORMS & EQUIPMENT:**

Meriden Supernumerary Police Officers will be issued the following items:

The current police service weapon

- Three (3) magazines for the Service Duty Weapon
- Ammunition per the Department's active Use of Force policy
- Pepper spray
- Reserve Officer Badge
- Department ID card
- Bullet Proof Vest - if permissible, the agency will fund half the cost via the PPE federal grant.

The following items will be picked up and returned before and after each assignment at the Police Department:

- Radio
- Taser
- Cruiser if hired

Meriden Supernumerary Police Officers will be required to purchase at their own expense the required uniform and equipment active officers are required to have, which will adhere to the Meriden Police Policy PATROL -02 Appearance and Grooming Standards.

- The patch worn on a Supernumerary Police Officer Uniform (and outerwear) will state "RESERVE OFFICER" in a "rocker" style patch above the Meriden Police Patch.

Proposed use, other than staffing private duty details and special events, it will not occur until there is mutual agreement.

- Supernumerary Police Officers will NOT be permitted to ride solo, and must be assigned to an active officer.
- Supernumerary Police Officers will NOT assume the lead in any investigations or calls for service.
- Supernumerary Police Officers shall be assigned to assist regular patrol during such emergencies for such assignments as determined by the Incident Commander.

NOTE: Supernumerary Police Officers shall be permitted to operate Meriden Police vehicles to and from assignments, if such an assignment demands the need for a vehicle. It is understood that the police vehicle shall not be taken out of town without prior authorization. If there is a break during the private duty job the Supernumerary must get authorization to leave the job site with the vehicle except to obtain food on an authorized break or to relieve themselves on a bathroom break. Supernumerary Police Officers shall at all times possess a valid Connecticut Driver's License.