

	SECTION:	ADMINISTRATION	ADM-132
	CHAPTER:	CONDUCT AND ETHICS	
	DIRECTIVE:	CODE OF ETHICS (High Risk)	

132.01 SUMMARY

To establish organizational standards of conduct, the Department has adopted the Law Enforcement Code of Ethics and the Code of Conduct directive.

131.02 LAW ENFORCEMENT CODE OF ETHICS

Each sworn employee of the Grand Junction Police Department shall abide by this **Law Enforcement Code of Ethics**:

As a Law Enforcement Officer, my fundamental duty is to serve the community; to safeguard lives and property; to protect the innocent against deception, the weak against oppression or intimidation, and the peaceful against violence or disorder; and to respect the Constitutional rights of all people to liberty, equality and justice.

I will keep my private life unsullied as an example to all and will behave in a manner that does not bring discredit to me or to my agency. I will maintain courageous calm in the face of danger, scorn, or ridicule; develop self-restraint; and be constantly mindful of the welfare of others. Honest in thought and deed in both my personal and official life, I will be exemplary in obeying the laws of the land and the regulations of my department. Whatever I see or hear of a confidential nature or that is confided to me in my official capacity will be kept ever secret unless revelation is necessary in the performance of my duty.

I will never act officiously or permit personal feelings, prejudices, animosities or friendships to influence my decisions. With no compromise for crime and with relentless prosecution of criminals, I will enforce the law courteously and appropriately without fear or favor, malice or ill will, never employing unnecessary force or violence and never accepting gratuities.

I recognize the badge of my office as a symbol of public faith, and I accept it as a public trust to be held so long as I am true to the ethics of the police service. I will never engage in acts of corruption or bribery, nor will I condone such acts by other police officers. I will cooperate with all legally authorized agencies and their representatives in the pursuit of justice.

**LAW ENFORCEMENT
CODE OF ETHICS (con't)**

I know that I alone am responsible for my own standard of professional performance and will take every reasonable opportunity to enhance and improve my level of knowledge and competence.

I will constantly strive to achieve these objectives and ideals, dedicating myself to my chosen profession**LAW ENFORCEMENT.**

**132.03 CODE OF CONDUCT
DIRECTIVE**

Every employee of the Grand Junction Police Department will receive a copy of the **Grand Junction Police Department Directives Manual**, which includes the “**Code of Conduct**” (**ADM-131**) directive.

Every employee shall read and be familiar with the Code of Conduct and Code of Ethics directives. The “**Code of Conduct**” (**ADM-131**) directive should be considered as standing orders governing the actions of all employees of the Grand Junction Police Department.

