missioner of Motor Vehicles without the necessity of such person undergoing an examination in accordance with the provisions of the Merit System. After enrollment no elevation in rank above that of Sergeant can be made by the Superintendent, nor can any member of the Department be elevated in rank above the rank of Sergeant without taking an examination in accordance with the provisions of the Merit System.

1935, ch. 303, sec. 10.

The Superintendent shall, within the limits of any appropriation made for such purpose, appoint such employees to his Department as are deemed necessary by him for the efficient administration of the Department. All appointees shall be taken from a list duly prepared by the State Employment Commissioner in accordance with the provisions of the Merit System, and no person shall be appointed to the Department unless he is a bona fide resident of the State of Maryland, and has been such for at least six months immediately preceding his appointment, except in accordance with the provisions of the Merit System. All of the police employees appointed to the Department shall be probationer, and on probation for a period of one year from the date of appointment. The Superintendent shall have full power and authority to discharge any probationer for any cause which he may deem sufficient in his sole discretion. Probationers are not within the Merit System. Appointees set forth in this Section 10 of this Article shall not include persons transferred from the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles to the Department of Maryland State Police, as set forth in Section 6 of this Article, but are persons to be added to the Department in addition to the transferees set forth in Section 6.

1935, ch. 303, sec. 11.

11. The Superintendent shall, within the limits of any appropriation made for such purpose, promote employees to the rank, grade and position of the Department, as he may deem necessary for the efficient administration of the Department. All promotions shall be made within the Department, and no person shall be promoted to any rank, grade or position unless he shall have filled the rank, grade, or position inferior to the rank, grade or position to which he shall be promoted. All promotions up to and including the rank of Sergeant shall be departmental, and to such promotions, the Merit System shall not apply. All promotions above the rank of Sergeant shall be in accordance with the provisions of the Merit System.

1935, ch. 303, sec. 12.

12. No employee discharged from the Department, as provided in Section 15 of this Article, shall afterwards be eligible for reappointment. No employee who has resigned from the Department shall afterwards be eligible for reappointment.