

RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE AUTHORITY SHALL BE UNIFORM THROUGHOUT THE TRANSIT ZONE. THE RULES AND REGULATIONS ESTABLISHED HEREUNDER SHALL BE ADOPTED AND PUBLISHED IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL STANDARDS OF DUE PROCESS INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE PUBLISHING OR OTHERWISE CIRCULATING OF A NOTICE OF THE INTENDED ACTION OF THE AUTHORITY AND THE AFFORDING TO INTERESTED PERSONS THE OPPORTUNITY TO SUBMIT DATA OR VIEWS ORALLY OR IN WRITING, AND THE HOLDING OF A PUBLIC HEARING. ANY PERSON VIOLATING ANY RULE OR REGULATION OF THE AUTHORITY SHALL, UPON CONVICTION BY A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION, PAY A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$250 AND COSTS.

(F) CLASSIFICATIONS; TRAINING; UNIFORMS.

WITH RESPECT TO MEMBERS OF THE METRO TRANSIT POLICE, THE AUTHORITY SHALL

(1) ESTABLISH CLASSIFICATIONS BASED ON THE NATURE AND SCOPE OF DUTIES, AND FIX AND PROVIDE FOR THEIR QUALIFICATION, APPOINTMENT, REMOVAL, TENURE, TERM, COMPENSATION, PENSION AND RETIREMENT BENEFITS;

(2) PROVIDE FOR THEIR TRAINING AND, FOR THIS PURPOSE, THE AUTHORITY MAY ENTER INTO CONTRACTS OR AGREEMENTS WITH ANY PUBLIC OR PRIVATE ORGANIZATION ENGAGED IN POLICE TRAINING, AND THIS TRAINING AND THE QUALIFICATIONS OF THE UNIFORMED AND PLAINCLOTHES PERSONNEL SHALL AT LEAST EQUAL THE REQUIREMENTS OF EACH SIGNATORY AND OF THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS THEREOF IN THE TRANSIT ZONE FOR THEIR PERSONNEL PERFORMING COMPARABLE DUTIES; AND

(3) PRESCRIBE DISTINCTIVE UNIFORMS TO BE WORN.

(G) DELINEATION OF FUNCTIONS TO BE PERFORMED BY POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY AGENCIES OF SIGNATORIES; MUTUAL ASSISTANCE.

THE AUTHORITY SHALL HAVE THE POWER TO ENTER INTO PLANS, ARRANGEMENTS OR AGREEMENTS WITH THE SIGNATORIES, THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION THEREOF AND OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY AGENCIES, INCLUDING THOSE OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, FOR THE DELINEATION OF FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES TO BE PERFORMED BY THE METRO TRANSIT POLICE AND OTHER DULY CONSTITUTED POLICE, FIRE AND OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY AGENCIES, AND FOR MUTUAL ASSISTANCE.

(H) OATH.

BEFORE ENTERING UPON THE DUTIES OF OFFICE, EACH MEMBER OF THE METRO TRANSIT POLICE SHALL TAKE OR SUBSCRIBE TO AN OATH OR AFFIRMATION, BEFORE A PERSON AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS, FAITHFULLY TO PERFORM THE DUTIES OF THAT OFFICE.

77. EXEMPTION FROM REGULATION.