



DEPTFORD TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

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JOSEPH SMITH
Chief of Police

To: Chief Joseph Smith
From: Detective Lieutenant Michael Pardini
Subject: Major Discipline Reporting for 2024
Date: January 2, 2025

In accordance with the Internal Affairs Policy and Procedures (IAPP 9.11.2), our agency is required to report any Major Discipline to the New Jersey Attorney General's Office and post on our public website. The Deptford Township Police Department has no Major Discipline to report from 01/01/2024 to 12/31/2024. The report was completed on the New Jersey Attorney General's Law Enforcement reporting portal even though the Deptford Township Police Department had nothing to report.

Respectfully Submitted,

Detective Lieutenant Michael Pardini

Chief Joseph Smith

1-2-25
Date

Annual Major Discipline Reporting Form
Internal Affairs Policy & Procedures | Appendix L

Passed by Attorney General Law Enforcement Directive No. 2023-24, every state, county, and local law enforcement agency in New Jersey is required to submit to the Attorney General and the County Prosecutor, and publish on the agency's public website, a brief synopsis of all complaints where a termination, reduction in rank or grade, and/or suspension of more than five days, as well as sustained findings listed in the above directive, regardless of the type or severity of discipline imposed, was assessed to an agency member. For the purposes of this report, please include all major disciplines in which a plea agreement was reached or final sanction was imposed during the time period listed below. In addition, include all discipline from earlier years which was not on appeal, the final appeal was resolved during 2023, and the discipline remains in one of the enumerated categories. Instructions for completing this form can be found on the "Instructions" tab of the Excel version of this document.

Time period: **January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023**
 County: **Gloucester** - Select County from dropdown menu here
 Agency: **Deptford Twp PD** - Select Agency from dropdown menu here

No.	Rank	Disciplined Officer		Sanction			Resigned, retired, transferred, or separated while on Pending	Specify other sanction type, if applicable	Sustained Charge	Synopsis
		First Name	Last Name	Terminated?	Demoted?	Suspended?				
1	Officer	Myron	Ford	No	No	No	Yes		Domestic Violence	On 09/30/2021, Officer Myron Ford was arrested for a Domestic Violence incident and was charged criminally. The Internal Affairs investigation was suspended awaiting the outcome of the criminal charges filed. On 11/21/2022, Officer Ford resigned from the police department, but there was still no disposition on the criminal charges filed. On 02/02/2023, Officer Ford plead guilty to Domestic Violence Harassment and signed a consent order forfeiting public employment.
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For Sustained Charge(s), regardless of the type or severity of discipline imposed, please use A SHORT HAND description like the below, rather than a statute or ordinance:

- Discrimination or bias:** Discrimination or Bias against any person b/c of the individual's actual or perceived race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, civil union status, domestic partnership status, affectional or sexual orientation, genetic information, sex, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality, familial status, or any other protected characteristic under N.J.S.A. 10:5-1 et seq.
- Excessive Force:** Officer utilized excessive force
- Untruthful/Candor:** Officer was untruthful or has demonstrated a lack of candor
- False Report:** Officer has filed a false report or submitted a false certification in any criminal, administrative, employment, financial, or insurance matter in their professional or personal life
- Improper Search, Seizure, Arrest:** Officer intentionally conducted an improper search, seizure or arrest
- Evidence Mishandling:** Officer intentionally mishandled or destroyed evidence
- Domestic Violence:** Domestic violence, as defined in N.J.S.A. 2C:25-19
- Indictable Offense:** Officer was charged with any indictable crime under New Jersey or an

