

Order No. 000005 /A/MINDDEVEL of 08 JAN 2024
to define conditions for the swearing in of some municipal
police officers.

THE MINISTER OF DECENTRALIZATION AND LOCAL DEVELOPMENT,

- Mindful of Law No. 92/7 of 14 August 1992 to institute the Labour Code;
- Mindful of Law No. 2019/24 of 24 December 2019 to institute the General Code of Regional and Local Authorities;
- Mindful of Decree No. 78/484 of 9 November 1978 to lay down common provisions applicable to State employees governed by the Labour Code, as amended and supplemented by Decree No. 82/100 of 3 March 1982;
- Mindful of Decree No. 2011/408 of 9 December 2011 to organize the Government, as amended and supplemented by Decree No. 2018/190 of 2 March 2018;
- Mindful of Decree No. 2018/191 of 2 March 2018 to reorganize the Government;
- Mindful of Decree No. 2018/449 of 1 August 2018 to organize the Ministry of Decentralization and Local Development;
- Mindful of Decree No. 2022/354 of 9 August 2022 to lay down conditions for exercising municipal policing,
- Mindful of Order No. _____/A/MINDDEVEL of _____ on the code of ethics for officers in charge of municipal policing,

HEREBY ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

CHAPTER I
GENERAL PROVISIONS

ARTICLE 1: This order, issued pursuant to Article 19 of the aforementioned Decree No. 2022/354 of 9 August 2022, defines conditions for the swearing in of some municipal police officers.

CHAPTER II
SWEARING IN CONDITIONS

ARTICLE 2: (1) The municipal police officers referred to in Article 3 below shall be judicial police officers with special powers.

(2) Before assuming office, they shall take oath before the Court of First Instance with territorial jurisdiction.

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ARTICLE 3: The following municipal police officers shall be authorized to take oath:

- the head of the municipal police service;
- heads of section; and
- staff belonging to category 6 at least.

ARTICLE 4: (1) The mayor or city mayor shall prepare a file requesting the competent court of first instance to organize the swearing-in of municipal police officers eligible to take oath.

(2) The file referred to in paragraph 1 above shall comprise:

- a stamped application addressed to the President of the Court;
- a copy of the approved deliberation to establish a municipal police service; and
- the personal file of each of the candidate employees to take oath.

ARTICLE 5: The personal file of an employee referred to in Article 4 (2) above shall comprise the following documents:

- a certified true copy of the certificate;
- a copy of the certificate issued by the National School of Local Administration (NASLA);
- a copy of the appointment instrument for the head of service or head of section;
- a certificate of non-conviction issued not more than three (3) months ago;
- a copy of the national identity card;
- a copy of the recruitment instrument.

ARTICLE 6: The municipal police officers referred to in Article 3 above shall take oath, standing, with their right hand raised and open, as follows: *"I swear that I will perform my duties as a municipal police officer faithfully and impartially, in accordance with the Constitution, the laws and regulations in force, and the rights and freedoms of citizens"*.

ARTICLE 7: After the oath has been taken, a court decision is drawn up and kept in the official court records. A copy shall be issued and notified to the:

- concerned;
- State Counsel with territorial jurisdiction;
- Mayor or City Mayor, as the case may be;
- Senior Divisional Officer with territorial jurisdiction;
- Minister in charge of regional and local authorities.



CHAPTER III

FINAL PROVISIONS

ARTICLE 8: Section heads shall have the rank of Local Administration Bureau Head.

ARTICLE 9: This order shall be registered, published according to the procedure of urgency, and inserted in the Official Gazette in English and French.

Yaounde, **08 JAN 2024**



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