

## **ARTICLE 20**

### **LUNCH PERIOD**

#### **Section 1.**

The normal work day for employees shall include a one-half hour lunch period. The intent of this Section is general, and not intended to guarantee any employee an uninterrupted lunch period where to do so would interfere with effective law enforcement or the administration of the law enforcement program. Neither shall it be construed and applied by Management without taking into consideration, on an individual case basis, the ability to obtain immediate service in a restaurant, the calling of an employee away from lunch for work reasons and/or legitimate conditions which may prohibit the employee from complying with the one-half hour limit. A reasonable effort shall be made to offer desk sergeants lunch relief where the operations of the post would not be otherwise disrupted.

#### **Section 2.**

Section 1 does not apply to those employees assigned to training in an academic setting, either as a trainer or a trainee, for a period in excess of five hours.