American Hose Company No.1, Inc. (AH) CODE of ETHICS and CONDUCT

Officers and Members

- 1. Obeying the law, both in letter and in spirit, is the foundation on which the AH ethical standards are built. All officers and members must respect and obey the laws, rules, and regulations of the community, state, and country in which we operate.
- 2. All non-public information about the AH should be considered confidential information.
- 3. The AH prohibits political contributions (directly or through trade associations). Officers and members are free to make personal political contributions as they see fit.
- 4. The AH is firmly committed to providing equal opportunity in all areas of association with the AH and will not tolerate any illegal discrimination or harassment based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin or any other protected class.
- All of the AH books, records, accounts and financial statements must be maintained in reasonable detail. The AH requires honest, accurate and timely recording and reporting of information.
- 6. All officers and members should protect the AH assets and ensure their efficient use. Any suspected incident of fraud or theft should be immediately reported for investigation.

Firefighters

As a firefighter and member of the Tamaqua Fire Department / AH, my fundamental duty is to serve humanity; to safeguard and preserve life and property against the elements of fire and disaster; and maintain a proficiency in the art and science of fire engineering.

I will uphold the standards of my profession, continually search for new and improved methods and share my knowledge and skills with my contemporaries and descendants. I will never allow personal feelings, nor danger to self, deter me from my responsibilities as a firefighter. I will at all times, respect the property and rights of all men and women; the laws of my community and my country; and the chosen way of life of my fellow citizens.

I recognize the badge of my office as a symbol of public faith, and I accept it as a public trust to be held so long as I am true to the ethics of the fire service. I will constantly strive to achieve the objectives and ideals of my profession – saving of life, fire prevention and fire suppression.