



MUNICIPAL POLICE OFFICERS' EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMISSION

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VISION EXAMINATION

This form is to be used by both municipal police officer applicants and police academy cadet applicants.

THIS EXAMINATION MUST BE ADMINISTERED by a licensed optometrist or ophthalmologist who is licensed in Pennsylvania. This examination is to determine the physical fitness, specifically related to specific vision standards, of the applicant to be certified as a police officer in Pennsylvania. The applicant who you are about to examine is applying for certification and will be vested with a position of public trust.

LAST NAME		FIRST NAME		MIDDLE INITIAL
STREET ADDRESS			CITY/BORO	STATE ZIP CODE
SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER	DATE OF BIRTH	GENDER	DATE OF EXAM	

VISION: The applicant must have vision of at least 20/70, uncorrected, in the stronger eye, correctable to 20/20; and at least 20/200, uncorrected, in the weaker eye, correctable to at least 20/40; have normal depth perception and color vision, and must be free of any significant visual abnormality.

RIGHT EYE UNCORRECTED 20/____ LEFT EYE UNCORRECTED 20/____
CORRECTED 20/____ CORRECTED 20/____

Does the applicant have normal depth perception? (Stereopsis >48% or Arc Seconds <100) YES NO

Does the applicant have normal color perception? (Farnsworth or Ishihara) YES NO

Is the applicant free from any other significant visual abnormalities? YES NO

THE APPLICANT SHOULD BE MARKED "CAPABLE" IN THE BLOCK BELOW ONLY IF VISION MEETS ALL STATED REQUIREMENTS

PROFESSIONAL OPINION

PHYSICALLY CAPABLE (VISION) - I have examined the applicant, and it is my professional opinion that the person named above meets the vision standards which are described above and required to perform the duties a certified police officer in Pennsylvania.

PHYSICALLY UNFIT (VISION) - I have examined the applicant, and it is my professional opinion that the person named above **does not** meet the vision standards which are described above and required to perform the duties a certified police officer in Pennsylvania.

I hereby certify that the information and statements contained in the tables above and in the attached examination report are true and correct, and that I am signing this document with the full understanding that any false information or statement will subject me to criminal penalties of Title 18, Crimes code, Section 4904, relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

This examination form must be forwarded to the employing police department, certified Act 120 police academy, or MPOETC by the optometrist or ophthalmologist within 15 days of the date of examination, **even if the applicant is found physically unfit**, pursuant to 37 Pa. Code § 21.11(4)(iv).

SIGNATURE – PENNSYLVANIA LICENSED OPTOMETRIST/OPHTHALMOLOGIST		DATE	
OPTOMETRIST/OPHTHALMOLOGIST NAME (PRINTED)	LICENSE NO.	TELEPHONE NO.	
STREET ADDRESS	CITY/BORO	STATE	ZIP CODE

RELEASE OF PHYSICAL INFORMATION

Having applied for certification/training as a police officer in Pennsylvania and having subjected myself to a vision examination by a licensed optometrist or ophthalmologist, as required by the Act, I reserve the right to have the data and conclusions of the physician remain confidential except to those whom I designate. Accordingly, I hereby authorize the optometrist or ophthalmologist named above to release all information related to my vision examination to the Municipal Police Officer's Education and Training Commission (MPOETC) **AND** to any additional police departments and/or academies listed below, for purposes consistent with the application process pursuant to this Act. No other release of this information, explicit or implied, is granted at this time.

NAME OF MUNICIPAL POLICE DEPARTMENT AND/OR CERTIFIED ACT 120 ACADEMY (Print)

ADDRESS CITY STATE ZIP CODE FAX EMAIL

SIGNATURE – APPLICANT

DATE



POLICE OFFICER

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS

1. Effect an arrest, forcibly if necessary, using handcuffs and other restraints; subdue resisting suspects using maneuvers and weapons and resort to the use of hands and feet and other approved weapons in self-defense.
2. Prepare and write investigative and other reports, including sketches, using appropriate grammar, symbols and mathematical computations.
3. Exercise independent judgment in determining when there is reasonable suspicion to detain, when probable cause exists to search and arrest and when force may be used and to what degree.
4. Operate a law enforcement vehicle during both the day and night; in emergency situations involving speeds in excess of posted limits, in congested traffic and in hazardous road conditions caused by factors such as fog, smoke, rain, ice and snow.
5. Communicate effectively and coherently over law enforcement radio channels while initiating and responding to radio communications, while operating a vehicle or communications desk.
6. Gather and interpret information in various investigations which may include interviewing and obtaining the statements of victims, witnesses, suspects and confidential informers.
7. Pursue fleeing suspects on foot and perform rescue operations which may involve quickly entering and exiting law enforcement vehicles; lifting, carrying and dragging heavy objects; climbing over and pulling up oneself over obstacles; jumping down from elevated surfaces; climbing through openings; jumping over obstacles, ditches and streams; crawling in confined areas; balancing on uneven or narrow surfaces and using body force to gain entrance through barriers.
8. Load, unload, aim and fire using each hand from a variety of body positions handguns, shotguns and other agency firearms under conditions of stress that justify the use of deadly force and at levels of proficiency prescribed in certification standards.
9. Perform searches of people, vehicles, buildings and large outdoor areas which may involve feeling and detecting objects, walking for long periods of time, detaining people and stopping suspicious vehicles and persons.

Essential Job Functions (Cont.)

10. Conduct visual and audio surveillance for extended periods of time.
11. Engage in law enforcement patrol functions that include such things as working rotating shifts, walking on foot patrol and making physical checks of cars, homes, buildings, etc.
12. Effectively communicate with people, including juveniles, by giving information and directions, mediating disputes and advising of rights and processes.
13. Demonstrate effective communication skills and use proper demeanor in court and other formal settings.
14. Detect and collect evidence and substances which provide the basis of criminal offenses or infractions; and/or indicate the presence of dangerous conditions.
15. Endure verbal and mental abuse when confronted with the hostile views and opinions of suspects and other people encountered in an antagonistic environment.
16. Perform rescue functions at accidents, emergencies, civil disorders and disasters to include directing traffic for long periods of time, administering emergency medical aid, extinguishing small fires, lifting, dragging and carrying people away from dangerous situations and securing and evacuating people from particular areas.
17. Process (photograph, fingerprint) and transport arrested suspects, prisoners and committed mental patients using handcuffs and other appropriate restraints.
18. Put on and operate emergency equipment such as fire extinguisher, helmet, gas mask, etc. in situations as required.
19. Read and comprehend legal and non-legal documents, including the preparation and processing of such documents as citations, affidavits and warrants.