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**11 CSR 75-6.010 Minimum Requirements
for Peace Officer and Reserve Officer**

PURPOSE: This rule enumerates the minimum number of hours of training required to qualify as a certified peace or reserve officer and sets forth the requirements for successful completion of training for peace officers, reserve officers and St. Louis City deputy sheriffs.

- (1) The director may require up to one thousand (1000) hours of basic training for peace officers and reserve officers employed by any state law enforcement agency for purposes of certification.
- (2) Peace officers and reserve officers employed by a state law enforcement agency and where the agency headquarters is located outside of a first class county or a city within a county of the first class shall be required to have at a minimum of three hundred (300) hours, then four hundred seventy (470) hours after August 28, 1996, of basic training for purposes of certification.
- (3) All peace officers and reserve officers employed in Missouri shall be required to have a minimum of three hundred (300) hours, then four hundred seventy (470) hours, after August 28, 1996, of basic training for purposes of certification.
- (4) The directors of state law enforcement agencies shall apply to the director for approval of their respective basic training hours and curricula.
- (5) Peace officers and reserve officers employed by any city not within a county, or by any city or law enforcement agency within any county of the first class having a charter form of government, shall be required to complete a basic training course consisting of a minimum of six hundred (600) hours of instruction as approved by the director for purposes of certification.
- (6) All bailiffs which come under the provisions of the Act shall be required to complete a basic training course consisting of a minimum of sixty (60) hours of basic training, outlined in 11 CSR 75-9.
- (7) Peace officers and reserve officers, located in the county of the third class which adopts an order or ordinance until August 28, 1995, under the provisions of this Act, shall complete a basic training course consisting of a minimum of one hundred twenty (120) hours of basic training as prescribed by the director for purposes of certification.
- (8) All other peace officers and any reserve officers applying to come under the provisions of the Act shall be required to complete a basic training course consisting of a minimum of three hundred (300) hours of basic training as prescribed by the director for purposes of certification.
- (9) The three hundred (300)- and four hundred seventy (470)-hour basic training curriculum shall be the same for all peace officers and reserve officers. Peace officers and reserve officers employed or appointed within any county, except any county of the first class having a charter form of government, and who have met the minimum training requirement for the certification within that county, shall not be required to meet any additional basic training requirements in the event that the county becomes a county of the first class with a charter form of government. These officers shall be exempt from additional training requirements as long as the employing or appointing agency is within that original county. Any transfer to another county or any city not within a county of the first class having a charter form of government will cause the certification status of the peace officer or reserve officer who has become certified with fewer than a minimum of six hundred (600) hours of instruction as approved by the director to become void.
- (10) All St. Louis City sheriffs' deputies shall be required to complete a specifically designed basic training course consisting of a minimum of one hundred twenty (120) hours of basic training as prescribed by the director for purposes of compliance with the Act and as further described in 11 CSR 75-8 of these rules. This course is to be presented and administered only by the St. Louis Police Academy and will be made available only to personnel of the City Sheriff's Department of St. Louis.
- (11) All bailiffs, peace officers, reserve officers, departments and agencies within this state may adopt standards which are higher than the minimum standards implemented under the Act. The minimum standards for basic training as set forth in these rules in no way shall be considered sufficient or ade-

quate in those cases where higher standards have been adopted or proposed. Higher qualifications are strongly recommended where the employing authority is in a position to require and provide for higher qualifications.

(12) All bailiffs, peace officers and reserve officers must satisfactorily complete the prescribed basic training course within twelve (12) months from the date of employment or appointment as a peace officer or reserve officer in order to maintain appointment as peace officers, and be eligible for certification as bailiffs, peace officer or reserve officers.

(13) Each approved training course is considered a single unit. A trainee should complete the full course during one (1) scheduled presentation. Trainees may not be permitted to enroll in subsequent courses for make up purposes unless unusual circumstances exist and prior approval is obtained from the training center director/coordinator.

(14) Unless written approval grants otherwise, any basic course that has been declared mandatory by the director will require a minimum number of training hours in each required subject that constitutes the course.

(15) Training centers and state law enforcement agencies that desire certification for mandated basic training courses or for courses that exceed the minimum number of required hours as prescribed in these rules shall apply to the director or his/her designated representatives for approval.

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**Original authority: 590.110, RSMo 1978, amended 1988, 1993, 1994 and 590.120, RSMo 1978, amended, 1988, 1993, 1995.*

11 CSR 75-6.020 Requirements for Trainee Attendance and Performance

PURPOSE: This rule defines the attendance and performance requirements of trainees for the successful completion of the required basic training course for certified peace officers and certified reserve officers.

(1) To successfully complete a certified training course, a trainee's absences must not exceed five percent (5%) of the total hours of instruction for any reason, valid or otherwise, and all missed instruction must be made up by the trainee to the satisfaction of the training center director. The training center director may dismiss any trainee whose inexcusable absences exceed five percent (5%) of the course. Training center directors may schedule the trainee for makeup work at their discretion.

(2) To receive credit for successful completion of the basic training course, the trainee must achieve no less than a seventy percent (70%) final overall grade average on all written tests or no less than a score of sixty percent (60%) on any single test. A trainee who achieves a score of less than sixty percent (60%) on any single test can be given the opportunity to retake the test.

(3) All performance tests given the trainee shall be judged on a pass or fail basis. A trainee must pass all performance tests to satisfactorily complete the course. The determination of pass or fail on any performance test lies with the certified instructor or with the training center director.

(4) The weight given any test in determining the overall average shall rest with the training center director, provided a common formula is utilized for determining the overall average of all trainees enrolled in the same course. The test weighing system will be subject to the review and approval of the director or his/her designated representatives.

(5) To satisfactorily complete the basic training course, trainees must achieve a final firing average of no less than seventy percent (70%) out of a possible one hundred percent (100%) in the firearms training segment. Any trainee who fails to achieve a qualifying score, with the permission of the training center director, may retake the firearms training segment of the recruit training course or undergo special tutoring conducted by a certified firearms instructor.

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*Original authority: 590.120, RSMo 1978, amended 1988, 1993, 1995.

11 CSR 75-6.030 Procedures for Certifying Basic Training Courses

PURPOSE: This rule defines the procedures for the certification of courses presented in the basic training program for the certification of peace officers.

(1) Training centers requesting course certification shall communicate their request in writing to the director or his/her designated representatives. At the time of the request, a description and lesson plans must be complete prior to basic training course certification for review and certification by the Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Program.

(2) If certification is granted by the director or his/her designated representatives, the agency director, the affected training center director, or both, if applicable, will be notified in writing. No certification will be issued for trainees who successfully complete any course which has not been certified prior to the trainees' enrollment into the course.

(3) The director or his/her designated representatives may approve changes in the curriculum of a basic training course upon written request from a training center director, presenting evidence that the change is compatible with public interest and is needed.

(4) The following peace officer and reserve officer one hundred twenty (120)-hour basic training course core curriculum has been established by the commission and is subject to revision as authorized under section (3). The one hundred twenty (120)-hour length of the basic training course shall be used exclusively for classroom and range instruction. Orientation, critiques, evaluations, administrative functions and graduation ceremonies shall be conducted in addition to the one hundred twenty (120) hours of classroom and

range instruction (see Curricula Overview Chart which is incorporated by reference).

(5) The following peace and reserve officer three hundred (300)-hour basic training course core curriculum has been established by the commission and is subject to revision as authorized under section (3). The three hundred (300)-hour length of the basic training course shall be used exclusively for classroom and range instruction. Orientation, critiques, evaluations, administrative functions and graduation ceremonies shall be conducted in addition to the three hundred (300) hours of classroom and range instruction (see Curricula Overview Chart).

(6) The following peace and reserve officer four hundred seventy (470)- and six hundred (600)-hour basic training course core curriculum has been established by the commission and is subject to revision as authorized under section (3). The four hundred seventy (470)-hour length of the basic training course shall be used exclusively for classroom and range instruction. The six hundred (600)-hour length of basic training shall be used exclusively for classroom, range instruction, physical training and practical exercises. Orientation, critiques, evaluation, administrative functions and graduation ceremonies shall be conducted in addition to the four hundred seventy (470) hours of classroom and range instruction and the six hundred (600) hours of classroom, range instruction, physical training, and practical exercises (see Curricula Overview Chart).

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