



Department of State Police

Rules & Regulations

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Subject: REGULATIONS ESTABLISHING RECRUIT MINIMUM ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS	

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10.1 Candidates considered to appointment must:

- 10.1.1 Satisfy all statutory requirements for appointment to the Massachusetts State Police Academy;
- 10.1.2 Demonstrate themselves to be of good moral character, have a sound work ethic, are capable of decision making consistent with the Oath of Office, and are otherwise suitable for appointment to the Massachusetts State Police Academy;
- 10.1.3 Be qualified and deemed suitable by the Colonel/Superintendent to possess a valid Massachusetts Firearms License upon appointment to the Massachusetts State Police Academy;
- 10.1.4 Possess a high school diploma, a General Educational Development (GED) certificate, or a High School Equivalency (HiSET) certificate upon appointment to the Massachusetts State Police Academy;
- 10.1.5 Satisfy the Department's physical fitness standards for initial appointments, as promulgated and amended;
- 10.1.6 Satisfy the Department's medical and psychological standards for initial appointment, as promulgated and amended;
- 10.1.7 Be a United States Citizen upon appointment to the Massachusetts State Police Academy;
- 10.1.8 Possess a valid Massachusetts Driver's License upon appointment to the Massachusetts State Police Academy;
- 10.1.9 Be a Massachusetts resident upon appointment to the Massachusetts State Police Academy;

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- 10.1.10 Be in compliance with Department of State Police General Order GEN-01A Tattoos and Body Modifications; and
 - 10.1.11 Meet all other eligibility and entrance requirements duly established by statute, rule, regulation, policy, procedure, directive, and/or order of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of State Police, including but not limited to Classification Specification promulgated for the position of a Massachusetts State Police Trooper, as amended.
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10.2 Candidates satisfying all of the minimum entrance requirements shall, in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws c.22C §11, be considered for appointment to the Massachusetts State Police Academy. However, satisfaction of the minimum requirements by a candidate shall not guarantee appointment to the Massachusetts State Police.

10.3 Candidates appointed to the Massachusetts State Police Academy shall be known as “Trainees” upon beginning and for the duration of recruit training.

Promulgated by: **John E. Mawn Jr., Colonel/Superintendent**