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Who is eligible to take the Basic Jail Certification for Peace Officers course?

This course is available to Texas Peace Officers responsible for inmate oversight and control in a jail facility.

Is the Basic Jail Certification for Peace Officers course considered pre-employment training?

No, applicants must first be employed by a Law Enforcement agency.

What is required to obtain my jailer's license?

Applicants must successfully complete the Basic Jail Certification for Peace Officers online course and pass the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE) licensing examination.

What is the cost of the Basic Jail Certification for Peace Officers course?

Course tuition if \$150.

What is the duration of the Basic Jail Certification for Peace Officers course?

Although you will be reported to TCOLE for 40 hours, the online portion of the course averages 16 – 24 hours of actual computer time to complete.

How do I register?

To access the course, first download the <u>Declaration of Licensing Course Enrollment Eligibility (DOLCEE) form</u> for signature by your Chief Administrator or their designee. Submit the signed letter to TEEX by fax (979) 862-2788 or email <u>ilepse@teex.tamu.edu</u>. Once the DOLCEE form is received along with a method of payment, TEEX will email each student a unique access code for entry into the Basic Jail Certification for Peace Officers online course.

How long will I have to complete the online Basic Jail Certification for Peace Officers course?

Completion of the course must take place within 45 days of online registration.

What books will I be required to purchase?

No book purchase is required. However, a course study guide is available for download at the beginning of the course. It is highly recommended this resource be utilized to increase the applicant's retention of all course information.

What are the course testing requirements?

All tests require a minimum score of 80%. There are a total of 8 modules with one final comprehensive examination. Each test has a time limit based on the number of questions in the test. It is recommended that students set aside time to take each test free from distractions and interruptions.



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If I fail a test what are my options?

Applicants are provided no more than three attempts to pass each module examination. Once a test failure is recorded, the applicant is given an opportunity to review the course module before another testing attempt is made. **The applicant may access the final comprehensive examination only once.**

May I re-enroll if I fail the course?

Yes. However, applicants who fail the Basic Jail Certification for Peace Officers course will be required to submit payment to access the course once again.

What is required to register for the TCOLE licensing examination?

Applicants must successfully complete the online Basic Jail Certification for Peace Officers course in order to receive a testing endorsement to sit for the TCOLE Peace Officers Jailer Certification examination.

Once I have completed the online Basic Jail Certification for Peace Officers course and received my TCOLE test endorsement, how do I proceed?

The applicant should contact a TCOLE testing site and arrange a time to sit for the Basic Jailer examination.

Where are TCOLE testing sites located?

TCOLE testing sites along with contact information for each one can be found at www.tcole.texas.gov under the "exam sites" tab.

At what point may I sit for the TCOLE Peace Officer Jailer Certification examination once I have completed the online Basic Jail Certification for Peace Officers course?

Applicants are encouraged to sit for the TCOLE Peace Officers Jailer Certification examination as soon as practical after completing the online Basic Jail Certification for Peace Officers course.

How is my training reported to TCOLE?

Once the applicant completed the online Basic Jail Certification for Peace Officers course, 40 hours are awarded under course number 1072.

Is the TEEX Basic Jail Certification for Peace Officers course the same as the Basic Jail Certification for Peace Officers course TCOLE #1107?

The curriculum is the same but in an online format it is reported under TCOLE #1072 as authorized by TCOLE.