



Hidalgo Police Department Law Enforcement Academy

900 S. Bridge Blvd. Hidalgo, Texas 78557

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Frequent ask Questions

How do I apply?

To apply click [here](#).

What is the minimum age requirement?

You must be 21 years of age in order to be licensed., or active military service with an honorable discharge.

What are the educational requirements?

Applicants must have a high school diploma or GED.

What is the maximum age for application?

There is no maximum age limit. How long is the police academy?

The Academy is (736 hours of instruction). How much is tuition? Tuition is \$2,100 and includes; Cadet uniform (2 polo shirts), all textbooks tablet for class instruction.

What type of handgun is required?

The Hidalgo Police Department will provide a handgun in order for you to qualify during the police academy.

Will this course certify me as a peace officer in the State of Texas?

Upon successful completion of the police academy you will be eligible to sit for the TCOLE Peace Officer licensing examination. Upon successful completion of the exam, you will be eligible to be licensed as a peace officer in the State of Texas. In order to be licensed, you must be commissioned by a law enforcement agency.

What days of week and times are classes?

Daytime Classes 8:00am-5:00pm Monday through Friday

Nighttime Class: 6:00 pm -10:00 PM Monday through Friday

There are times when the class schedules vary including some nighttime training events. Each police cadet is given a class schedule at the start of the academy. The schedule is subject to change. Notice is given of schedule changes when possible.

What the location of the Academy?

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What is not covered by tuition?

- Physiological exam.
- Physical Exam.
- Ammunition for handgun, shotgun, rifle.
- Notebook paper (8 ½ X 11) for note taking.
- Handcuffs and key (Smith & Wesson, Peerless, Hiatts, etc.)
- Black shoes or boots that can be polished.
- Athletic gear consisting of navy-colored shorts; athletic shoes and towel must be brought the first day of class and each day thereafter.
- Small dictionary, (Optional).

Contact information:

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Note: This list can change at any time without notice please contact the Hidalgo Police Academy Law Enforcement Academy for more information.