

SUGGESTED PHYSICAL – MEDICAL STANDARDS

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PHYSICAL - MEDICAL.

Hearing: The applicant should have unaided or aided hearing between zero (0) and twenty-five (25) decibels for each ear at the frequencies of five-hundred (500) Hz, one thousand (1000) Hz, two thousand (2000) Hz, and three thousand (3000) Hz. If the applicant hearing does not meet the above standards, an audiologist or ear, nose, and throat physician should certify that the applicant's condition will not jeopardize or impair the applicant's ability to perform their duties.

Vision.

The applicant should possess binocular coordination that does not manifest diplopia; depth of proficiency of a minimum of one (1) minute of arc at twenty (20) feet; peripheral vision should be binocularly two hundred (200) degrees laterally with sixty (60) degrees upward and seventy (70) degrees downward. There should be no pathology of the eye; applicant should possess a minimum seventy percent (70%) proficiency on a color discrimination test. If the applicant hearing does not meet the above standards, a vision specialist should certify that the applicant's condition will not jeopardize or impair the applicant's ability to perform their duties.

The applicant should have uncorrected vision in each eye of no weaker than twenty/two hundred (20/200) with the strong eye corrected to twenty/twenty (20/20) and the weaker eye corrected to twenty/sixty (20/60). An applicant who wears contact lenses is exempt from the uncorrected vision of twenty/two hundred (20/200), but should have the strong eye corrected to twenty/twenty (20/20) and the weaker eye corrected to twenty/sixty (20/60). A full eye examination should be administered by an optometrist or ophthalmologist to any applicant who wears glasses whose uncorrected vision in either eye is twenty/one hundred fifty (20/150) or weaker. If the applicant hearing does not meet the above standards, a vision specialist should certify that the applicant's condition will not jeopardize or impair the applicant's ability to perform their duties.

Disease/Condition. The applicant should be free from any impediments of the senses of sight, hearing, taste, smell, and touch; physically sound; well developed physically and in possession of his extremities; free from any physical defects, chronic or organic diseases, organic or functional conditions, or emotional or mental instabilities which may tend to impair efficient performance of duty or which might endanger the lives of others or the life of the officer. The applicant should be considered, if the applicant demonstrates that the deficiency does not jeopardize or impair their ability to perform their duties.

Procedures.

An agency approved medical history form should be supplied by each applicant to the examining physician. The medical history should include information on past and present diseases, injuries and operations.

A medical examination should be administered by a licensed physician or his designee to determine if the applicant is free from any physical, emotional, or mental condition which might adversely affect the applicant's ability to perform their duties. The physician should record their findings and should note any past or present physical defects, diseases, injuries, operations or conditions of an abnormal or unusual nature, or indications of mental or emotional instability.

NOTE: No medical forms should be sent to POST.