

IDAHO PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS & TRAINING PROCEDURE

12.15 CHALLENGING A BASIC TRAINING ACADEMY AND REINSTATEMENT OF LAPSED CERTIFICATION

A. General

Under certain circumstances as outlined in IDAPA Rule 11.11.01.059 Challenging a Basic Training Academy and 11.11.01.100 Lapse of Basic Certification-Reinstatement, applicants for POST certification are allowed to challenge the basic training academy in the relevant discipline.

Applicants from states who do not offer certification in a specific discipline must be able to show extensive work experience and training in that discipline and provide supporting documentation. These situations will be handled on a case by case basis.

B. Patrol Challenge Applicants

1. Once requirements have been met as outlined in IDAPA Rule 11.11.01.059.01, with a cleared application, the applicant is then eligible to begin the testing process.
2. The applicant shall complete the Firearms Short Course Qualification in front of an active POST certified firearms instructor. Documentation of this qualification must be logged on the POST Firearms Short Course Qualification form and sent to POST.
3. Once the POST Firearms Short Course Qualification form is received, the applicant may schedule to take the Patrol Challenge Certification Exam with their POST Regional Training Coordinator.
 - a. It is recommended that applicants review the Patrol Challenge Courses available on the eLearning system through the POST website. Although these courses are not mandatory, it is the responsibility of the applicant to know the material for testing purposes. As an alternate option, applicants employed by an agency approved to run their own academy, may have the option of auditing this information in a classroom setting.
 - b. The Patrol Challenge Certification Exam consists of two Blocks. Applicants will be given 2 hours to complete each Block Exam with a 15 minute break in between. Both exams must be taken on the same day. A minimum passing score of 75% is required for **both** the Block 1 Exam and Block 2 Exam.
 - c. If the applicant fails either or both exams, they will be allowed one (1) additional attempt to pass the Patrol Challenge Certification Exam they failed. If the applicant fails both attempts or fails to retake the Patrol Challenge Certification Exam(s) within six (6) months after the first attempt, the applicant cannot be certified and must attend the Basic Patrol Academy.

C. Detention Challenge Applicants

1. Once requirements have been met as outlined in IDAPA Rule 11.11.01.059.01, with a cleared application, the applicant is then eligible to begin the testing process.
2. Once the applicant has a cleared packet, they may schedule to take the Detention Challenge Certification Exam with their POST Regional Training Coordinator.
 - d. The Detention Challenge Certification Exam consists of one (1) exam.
 - e. A minimum passing score of 75% is required.

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- f. If the applicant fails the exam, they will be allowed one (1) additional attempt to pass it. If the applicant fails both attempts or fails to retake the Detention Challenge Certification Exam within six (6) months after the first attempt, the applicant cannot be certified through the challenge process and must attend the Basic Detention Academy.

D. Correction Challenge Applicants

1. Once requirements have been met as outlined in IDAPA Rule 11.11.01.059.01, with a cleared application, the applicant is then eligible to begin the testing process.
2. The applicant may schedule to take the Correction Challenge Certification Exam with their POST Regional Training Coordinator.
 - a. The Correction Challenge Certification Exam consists of one (1) exam.
 - b. A minimum passing score of 75% is required.
 - c. If the applicant fails the exam, they will be allowed one (1) additional attempt to pass it. If the applicant fails both attempts or fails to retake the Correction Challenge Certification Exam within six (6) months after the first attempt, the applicant cannot be certified through the challenge process and must attend the Basic Correction Academy.

E. Felony Probation & Parole Challenge Applicants

1. Once requirements have been met as outlined in IDAPA Rule 11.11.01.059.01, with a cleared application, the applicant is then eligible to begin the testing process.
2. The applicant shall complete the Firearms Short Course Qualification in front of an active POST certified firearms instructor. Documentation of this qualification must be logged on the POST Firearms Short Course Qualification form and sent to POST.
3. Once the POST Firearms Short Course Qualification form is received, the applicant may schedule to take the Felony Probation & Parole Challenge Certification Exam with their POST Regional Training Coordinator.
 - a. The Felony Probation & Parole Challenge Certification Exam consists of one (1) exam.
 - b. A minimum passing score of 75% is required.
 - c. If the applicant fails the exam, they will be allowed one (1) additional attempt to pass it. If the applicant fails both attempts or fails to retake the Felony Probation & Parole Challenge Certification Exam within six (6) months after the first attempt, the applicant cannot be certified through the challenge process and must attend the Basic Felony Probation and Parole Academy.

F. Reserve Challenge Applicants

1. Once requirements have been met as outlined in IDAPA Rule 11.11.01.081.03, with a cleared application, the applicant is then eligible to begin the testing process.
2. The applicant shall complete the Firearms Short Course Qualification in front of an active POST certified firearms instructor. Documentation of this qualification must be logged on the POST Firearms Short Course Qualification form and sent to POST.

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3. Once the POST Firearms Short Course Qualification form is received, the applicant may schedule to take the Reserve Challenge Certification Exam with their POST Regional Training Coordinator.
 - a. It is recommended that applicants review the Reserve Officer Pre-Academy Courses available on the eLearning system through the POST website. Although these courses are not mandatory, it is the responsibility of the applicant to know the material for testing purposes. As an alternate option, applicants attending a reserve academy, may have the option of auditing this information in a classroom setting.
 - b. The Reserve Challenge Certification Exam consists of one (1) exam.
 - c. A minimum passing score of 75% is required.
 - d. If the applicant fails the exam, they will be allowed one (1) additional attempt to pass it. If the applicant fails both attempts or fails to retake the Reserve Challenge Certification Exam within six (6) months after the first attempt, the applicant cannot be certified through the challenge process and must attend the Basic Reserve Academy.

G. Emergency Communications Officer Challenge Applicants

1. Once requirements have been met as outlined in IDAPA Rule 11.11.01.059.01, with a cleared application, the applicant is then eligible to begin the testing process.
2. The applicant may schedule to take the Emergency Communications Officer Challenge Certification Exam with their POST Regional Training Coordinator.
 - a. The Emergency Communications Challenge Certification Exam consists of one (1) exam.
 - b. A minimum passing score of 75% is required.
 - c. If the applicant fails the exam, they will be allowed one (1) additional attempt to pass it. If the applicant fails both attempts or fails to retake the Emergency Communications Challenge Certification Exam within six (6) months after the first attempt, the applicant cannot be certified through the challenge process and must attend the Basic Emergency Communications Officer Academy.

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H. Juvenile Corrections, Juvenile Detention, and Juvenile Probation Officer Challenge Applicants

1. Once requirements have been met as outlined in IDAPA Rule 11.11.01.059.01, with a cleared application, the applicant is then eligible to begin the testing process.
2. The applicant may schedule to take the Challenge Certification Exam, in the relevant discipline, with their POST Regional Training Coordinator.
 - a. The Challenge Certification Exam consists of one (1) exam.
 - b. A minimum passing score of 75% is required.
 - c. If the applicant fails the exam, they will be allowed one (1) additional attempt to pass it. If the applicant fails both attempts or fails to retake the Challenge Certification Exam within six (6) months after the first attempt, the applicant cannot be certified through the challenge process and must attend the Basic Juvenile Academy in the relevant discipline.

I. Adult Misdemeanor Probation Challenge Applicants

1. Once requirements have been met as outlined in IDAPA Rule 11.11.01.059.01, with a cleared application, the applicant is then eligible to begin the testing process.
2. The applicant may schedule to take the Adult Misdemeanor Probation Challenge Certification Exam with their POST Regional Training Coordinator.
 - a. The Adult Misdemeanor Probation Challenge Certification Exam consists of one (1) exam.
 - b. A minimum passing score of 75% is required.
 - c. If the applicant fails the exam, they will be allowed one (1) additional attempt to pass it. If the applicant fails both attempts or fails to retake the Adult Misdemeanor Probation Challenge Certification Exam within six (6) months after the first attempt, the applicant cannot be certified through the challenge process and must attend the Basic Adult Misdemeanor Probation Academy.

J. Applying for Certification

1. The applicant must meet the standards and comply with IDAPA Rule 11.11.01.050-.057 and have completed the section above in the relevant discipline to be eligible for certification.
2. Once the applicant's agency verifies the officer meets standards and complies with IDAPA Rule, the agency will submit the Certification Application along with the FTO Completion form, if necessary, through their POST Agency Portal system.

The applicant may apply for all eligible certifications, i.e. basic, intermediate, advanced, etc.