



Liquor Enforcement Officer Trainee Training

IMPORTANT: Personal weapons of any kind are prohibited and are not to be brought with applicants when reporting for training!

The resident training period is approximately 13 – 15 weeks and is purposely designed to eliminate any applicant who does not possess the necessary intelligence, emotional stability, or physical stamina to meet the requirements.

- Training is normally scheduled Monday through Friday, 6:00 a.m. to 10:45 p.m.
- Special duty assignments and training are occasionally conducted during evening and nighttime hours, both weekdays and weekends.
- Liquor Enforcement Officer Trainees receive extensive training and education in liquor control enforcement work.
- A passing grade of 70% or higher must be achieved in all academic courses.
- After instruction in the care and use of the issued service pistol, Liquor Enforcement Officer Trainees must qualify with that weapon by scoring 75% or higher of the total possible score. Failure to qualify during the training period shall be cause for dismissal.
- Liquor Enforcement Officer Trainees must demonstrate proficiency in physical abilities and skills.
- A rigorous program of physical conditioning, including calisthenics, weight training, fighting techniques, hand-to-hand combatives, and defensive tactics is conducted during the training.
- A progressive aerobic program designed to strengthen the cardiovascular and cardiorespiratory systems, as well as increase the aerobic capacity of all individuals, is conducted during the training.
- Applicants must possess a valid Pennsylvania driver's license at the time of appointment and those who do not have the necessary on-the-road driving experience are encouraged to obtain such experience prior to reporting to training. Liquor Enforcement Officer Trainees will be instructed in proper driving techniques and must demonstrate an acceptable level of proficiency in driving during the course of the training.

Prior to arrival at the training facility, it is essential that applicants engage in a well-rounded physical fitness program to include aerobic fitness and strengthening exercises.

Liquor Enforcement Officer Trainees are required to reside at the training facility during the training week, with each weekend off. Meals and lodging are provided at no cost.



Liquor Enforcement Officer Trainees provide their own transportation to and from the training facility. Parking space is allocated for personal vehicles. Use of personal vehicles during training is governed by rules and regulations.

Liquor Enforcement Officer Trainees immediately begin an approximate 11-month probationary period the day they report for training. Liquor Enforcement Officer Trainees are subject to dismissal, by the Commissioner, during the probationary period for incompetency, inefficiency, or violations of the rules and regulations.

Upon successful completion of training program, Liquor Enforcement Officer Trainees are transferred to a [District Enforcement Office](#). Assignments are based upon the needs of the Department and may result in assignment to any Pennsylvania State Police District Enforcement Office in the Commonwealth. Therefore, it is incumbent upon every applicant to ensure that their family is fully aware of the possibility of having to relocate and the type of duty to which they may be assigned.