

12 NCAC 09B .0405 COMPLETION OF BASIC LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING COURSE

(a) Each delivery of a Commission-accredited Basic Law Enforcement Training Course (BLET) includes all modules as specified in Rule .0205 of this Subchapter. Each trainee shall attend and satisfactorily complete the full course as specified in Paragraph (b) of this Rule during a scheduled delivery. The school director may develop supplemental requirements as set forth in Rule .0202(a)(5) of this Subchapter, but may not add substantive courses, or change or expand the substance of the courses as set forth in Rule .0205 of this Subchapter for purposes of Commission credit. This Rule does not prevent the instruction on local agency rules or standards; however, such instruction shall not be considered or endorsed by the Commission for purposes of certification. The Director of the Standards Division shall issue prior written authorization for a specified trainee's limited enrollment in a subsequent delivery of the same course where the trainee provides evidence that:

- (1) the trainee attended and satisfactorily completed specified class hours and topics of BLET but through extended absence occasioned by illness, accident, emergency, or other good cause was absent for more than five percent of the total class hours of the course offering;
- (2) the trainee was granted excused absences by the school director that did not exceed five percent of the total class hours for the course offering and the school director has obtained approval from the Standards Division pursuant to Rule .0404 of this Section for make up work to be completed in a subsequent enrollment; or
- (3) the trainee participated in a BLET course but had an identified deficiency in topical area or skill areas in no more than two of the specific topic areas incorporated in course content as prescribed under Rule .0205 of this Subchapter;

For the purposes of this Rule, "limited enrollment" is defined as the requirement to complete the specific number of courses and course hours in which the trainee is deficient. The trainee who is deficient in more than two academic areas or motor skills shall be dismissed from the course delivery and shall be required to complete a subsequent training delivery in its entirety.

(b) The trainee shall demonstrate proficiency in the academic tests by achieving a minimum score of 70 percent on each academic test. If a trainee scores below 70 percent on each academic test, remediation will focus on re-teaching the specific concepts and skills in the topical area(s) that a trainee fails to achieve a passing score, as follows:

- (1) a trainee who fails to achieve a passing score of 70 percent on the first attempt shall have one opportunity for reexamination following remediation;
- (2) a trainee shall be allowed failure, remediation, and reexamination in no more than four topical area tests;
- (3) upon initial failure of a fifth topical area test, the trainee shall not be allowed remediation or reexamination and shall be immediately dismissed from the course and shall be required to complete a subsequent delivery of BLET in its entirety.

(c) An authorization of limited enrollment in a subsequent delivery of the BLET shall not be issued by the Standards Division unless in addition to the evidence required by Paragraph (a) of this Rule:

- (1) The school director of the previous course offering submits to the Standards Division a certification of the particular topics and class hours attended and satisfactorily completed by the trainee during the original enrollment; and
- (2) The school director makes written application to the Standards Division for authorization of the trainee's limited enrollment.

(d) An authorization of limited enrollment in a subsequent course delivery permits the trainee to attend an offering of BLET commencing within 120 calendar days from the date of administration of the state comprehensive examination in the trainee's prior course delivery.

- (1) The trainee shall attend and complete in its entirety each topical area identified by the school director as an area of trainee deficiency in the prior course participation with the exception of the "Officer Health and Wellness" topical area.
- (2) The two options available for satisfying a deficiency in the "Officer Health and Wellness" topical area are:
 - (A) the student shall be allowed to make up the deficiency at the original training site without enrolling in a subsequent delivery of BLET. Under this option, the student shall be given 120 calendar days from the date that the comprehensive state examination was administered to the original BLET course in order to satisfy this deficiency. Students who select this option shall be allowed two attempts to complete the entire Police Officer Physical Abilities Test (POPAT) Course with a minimum of 24 hours of rest between attempts during the 120-day period to satisfy the deficiency; or

- (B) the student shall be allowed to enroll in a subsequent delivery of BLET as a "limited enrollee." This delivery shall begin within 120 calendar days from the date that the comprehensive state examination was administered to the original BLET course in order to satisfy this deficiency. Students who select this option shall be allowed two attempts to complete the entire POPAT Course with a minimum of 24 hours of rest between attempts during the delivery period of the subsequent BLET course.

A certified "Officer Health and Wellness" instructor is the only person qualified to administer and grade the fitness re-test. At the time of the re-test, the school director or the Qualified Assistant shall be present.

- (3) Following limited enrollment in the subsequent course offering, scheduled class attendance, and having received passing grades on all required topic and motor-skill tests, and having no deficiencies, the trainee shall be eligible for administration of the State comprehensive examination by the Commission, as set forth in Rule .0406 of this Section.

(e) This Rule does not apply to Basic Law Enforcement Training courses that were in progress as of January 1, 2025.

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