

12 NCAC 10B .1402 GENERAL PROVISIONS

(a) In order to be eligible for one or more of the professional certificates, a reserve deputy sheriff shall first meet the following preliminary qualifications:

- (1) be an appointed reserve deputy sheriff who holds valid General or Grandfather Certification. A reserve deputy sheriff serving under a probationary certification is not eligible for consideration. Any deputy sheriff subject to suspension or revocation proceedings or under investigation for possible decertification action by the Commission or the North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission shall not be eligible for any deputy sheriff professional awards for the pendency of the proceeding;
- (2) be familiar with and subscribe to the Law Enforcement Code of Ethics as promulgated by the International Association of Chiefs of Police to include any subsequent editions or modifications thereto. A copy of the Code of Ethics may be obtained at no cost from the Sheriffs' Standards Division, North Carolina Department of Justice, Post Office Box 629, Raleigh, North Carolina 27602-0629;
- (3) the applicant shall be a sworn law enforcement officer of a North Carolina Sheriff's Office, as certified in writing by the sheriff; or be a sworn law enforcement officer of an agency who must be appointed by the sheriff in order to perform his duties as certified in writing by the Sheriff; and
- (4) only training or experience gained in an officer's area of expertise will be eligible for application to this program. All training must be completed during the time of service as a sworn law enforcement officer, with the exception of Basic Law Enforcement Training.

(b) Certificates are awarded based upon a formula which combines law enforcement training and actual participation as a reserve deputy sheriff in law enforcement functions. Points are computed in the following manner:

- (1) a minimum of ninety-six (96) hours achieved over a one-year period of participation in law enforcement functions, by having been called into reserve duty by the appointing sheriff, shall equal one year of reserve service;
- (2) twenty hours of commission-approved law enforcement training shall equal one law enforcement training point; and
- (3) service as a reserve deputy sheriff shall be acceptable for consideration. An officer who is otherwise ineligible to receive an equivalent certificate through the Professional Certificate Program for Sheriffs and Deputy Sheriffs as set out in 12 NCAC 10B .1000 may receive a certificate under this program, in which case one year of full-time service may be substituted for one year of reserve service in computing eligibility under this Section.

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