



**STATE OF CONNECTICUT**  
**DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND PUBLIC PROTECTION**

**Police Officer Standards and Training Council**  
**Connecticut Police Academy**

**GENERAL NOTICE 15-02**

TO: Chief Law Enforcement Officers  
Training Officers/Supervisors/Divisions  
Department Recruiters  
Protective Services  
Resident Troopers

From: Thomas E. Flaherty  
Police Academy Administrator

Date: March 17, 2015

Subject: **Acceptance of Military Occupational Specialty Training  
as Reciprocity for a Comparative Certification Candidate and Full or  
Partial Waiver of the Basic Recruit Training Academy Requirement.**

On May 24, 2013, Special Act 13-05 established a Task Force to Study the Use of Military Occupational Specialty Training as a Substitute for State Licensing Requirements, including Police Officer Licenses. Members of the Police Officer Standards and Training Council (hereafter Council) participated in this task force study.

On March 12, 2015, as a result of the aforementioned study and recommendation the Council approved and will now consider Military Occupational Specialty Training and experience as reciprocity for traditional law enforcement training and experience for comparative certification candidates hired for police officer positions and will grant a full or partial waiver of the Basic Recruit Training Academy Requirement, subject to the following conditions:

The military comparative certification candidate must be sponsored by the Chief or Chief Enforcement Officer (in writing) of his department or law enforcement agency and will include documentation of the candidate's military training records and experience,

The candidate shall meet all Council entry-level requirements for appointment pursuant to Council regulations Section 7-294e-16.

The candidate shall have successfully completed military police training at a federal service school acceptable to the Council,.

The candidate shall be either honorably discharged from the armed service or currently serving,.

The candidate shall meet the same medical and non-medical standards required of other non-military basic training waiver candidates,

The candidate shall complete all training requirements as assigned by the Council after receiving Council approval and cannot start their training until all entry-level requirements for appointment are completed,

The candidate shall successfully complete a field training program of no less than the minimum 400-hour requirement, as any other entry-level Probationary Candidate,

The candidate will have one calendar year from his/her date of appointment in this State to complete the specified requirements or will lose his/her appointment and position,

Until such time the military comparative certification candidate achieves CT Police Officer Certification he/she is restricted in his/her duties and assignments pursuant to Council regulations Section 7-294e-1(c), as are all Probationary Candidates.

Should you have any questions concerning this policy please contact Compliance/Certification Officer William E. Klein at (203) 427-2606 or [William.Klein@ct.gov](mailto:William.Klein@ct.gov)