



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND PUBLIC PROTECTION
Police Officer Standards and Training Council
Connecticut Police Academy

To: Connecticut Chiefs of Police
Connecticut Police Training Officers
Connecticut State Police Resident Troopers
Connecticut State Police Training Academy

From: William Tanner
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Date: May 1, 2023

Subject: Police Patrol Rifle Instructor **Pre-Test**

Tuition: **No Cost**

COURSE ANNOUNCEMENT

The Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Police Officer Standards and Training Council's Field Services Training Division, has scheduled a Police Patrol Rifle Instructors Pre-Test for all new applicants. Instruction will be provided by DESPP/POST staff in conjunction with POST certified adjunct firearms instructors.

The Police Patrol Rifle Instructors Training Pre-Test is scheduled for **Friday, May 19, 2023**, from 12:30 AM to 4:30 PM at the Connecticut Police Academy, 285 Preston Avenue, Meriden, CT Firing Range.

All Rifle Pre-Test applicants must successfully complete:

- (1) A 50-question written test and achieve a passing grade of at least 80% correct
- (2) A 10-round shooting practical grouping exercise and achieve a passing grade of at least 9 out of 10 accuracy
- (3) A five-stage practical exercise comprised of
 - a. Administrative unloading, loading, and unloading of primary weapon
 - b. Basic understanding of varied rifle shooting positions
 - c. Reloading drill
 - d. Immediate action drill
 - i. Primary
 - ii. Secondary
 - e. Field stripping, reassembling, and function check of primary weapon

Successful applicants will be placed on an eligibility list and training supervisors can register the successful candidate for the upcoming Police Rifle Instructor training programs over the next two (2) years.

Pre-Test Requirements

1. **MUST BE CERTIFIED in “301” BASIC FIREARMS INSTRUCTOR, proof of such MUST be sent with the class registration form**
2. Department issued rifle with two (2) serviceable magazines
3. 40 duty rounds for the rifle
4. Eye and hearing protection
5. Baseball style cap with rounded bill
6. Protective vest
7. Duty rain gear (If necessary)

Please note it is the applicant’s responsibility to ensure their equipment is in good working order.

The Pre-Test is unlimited (all applicants will be accepted) and no confirmation will be sent. Please complete a registration form for each attendee from the web and email it to William Tanner at william.tanner@ct.gov **no later than close of business, Monday, May 15, 2023.** If you have any questions, please contact the Field Services Training Division at 203-427-2625.

Training Officers: Please be sure to include your department email address and the **email AND POST ID (Sworn personnel) of the student to be enrolled** on all applications to ensure prompt communications of all in-service training matters. The Police Officer Standards and Training Council dress code will not be in effect for this training.

The Police Patrol Rifle Instructor Training will be held Monday, June 12, 2023 through Friday June 16, 2023, at the Academy firing Range.

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