



## ENTRY-LEVEL POLICE OFFICER EXAM

**IMPORTANT UPDATE:** We are currently planning to administer exams on a bi-monthly basis starting in November 2020 with the next application period opening on **September 15, 2020**. There will be a limited number of applications accepted on a first-come-first-served basis. The application filing period will close once the exam capacity is reached. Please [click here](#) for important information about the hiring process.

*\*\*This information is subject to change based on evolving government COVID-19 guidelines\*\**

### What are the important dates for the next Entry Level Police Officer Exams?

#### IN-STATE CANDIDATES

All applicants who live within the State of Washington will be scheduled to take the written and video exams **November 07, 2020 (Sat) or November 08, 2020 (Sun)**. Exams will be scored within 4 days. Candidates who pass both the written and video exams will be scheduled by the Seattle Police Department to participate in the Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission's physical agility test on **November 14, 2020 (Sat)**. In-state candidates should reserve these dates on their calendar for possible participation in the test. Oral boards for in-state candidates will occur on **November 15, 2020 (Sun) or November 21, 2020 (Sun)**.

#### OUT-OF-STATE CANDIDATES

All applicants who live outside the State of Washington will be scheduled to take the written and video exams the morning of **November 07, 2020 (Sat)**. Exams will be graded on-site for all out-of-state applicants. Applicants who pass both the written and video exams will be scheduled by the Seattle Police Department to participate in the Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission's physical agility test that afternoon on **November 07, 2020 (Sat)**. Candidates who pass their physical agility test will turn in their Personal History Information (PHI) Packet to a background detective at that time. Background investigators will schedule applicants who pass their PAT for an oral board interview the following day, **November 08, 2020 (Sun)**. Applicants who pass their oral board interview will then be scheduled for an extensive interview with a background detective on either **November 08, 2020 (Sun) or November 09, 2020 (Mon)**. The City of Seattle will not be able to, in advance of the administered exam, guarantee each candidate's date for the interview with the background detective. Therefore, out-of-state candidates should **plan on staying in Seattle through November 09, 2020 (Mon) at 5:00 p.m.** to ensure they are accommodated through all the screening steps. After a conditional offer of employment is given, out-of-state applicants will be required to return to Seattle for a second time to complete the medical, psychological, and polygraph exams.

Apply as an Entry Police Officer using [this link](#).

**(PLEASE NOTE: THIS LINK WILL ONLY WORK WHILE THE APPLICATION FILING PERIOD IS OPEN. THE APPLICATION FILING PERIOD WILL BE OPEN SEPTEMBER 15, 2020 UNTIL FACILITY CAPACITY IS REACHED).**

#### Additional Information

- Applicants who meet the minimum qualifications for the written and video exams should expect to be scheduled for the exam within two weeks of submitting their application. If you do not receive an exam scheduling notification in that time, please call the Police Exams Analyst at **(206) 684-0235** or [Rachael.Schade@seattle.gov](mailto:Rachael.Schade@seattle.gov).
- Per Public Safety Civil Service rules, you are not eligible for this exam if you participated in a City of Seattle police exam process within the last 6 months.

**IMPORTANT – PLEASE TAKE NOTE:** All candidates should download a **Personal History Information Packet** found at the bottom of the [Seattle Police application process page](#). Since the Personal History Information Packet is an important document that takes time to fill out and will facilitate the background investigation, you should begin the process of completing the packet **AS SOON AS YOU ARE SCHEDULED TO TAKE THE WRITTEN TEST**. It is expected that you will have a completed packet with you on the day you come to take your physical agility test.