



POLICE DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE



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PURPOSE

To establish a procedure for providing qualified retired or separated law enforcement officers the opportunity for annual firearms qualification on the State of Kansas standard firearms qualification course of fire pursuant to the provisions found in the Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act Improvements Act of 2010, 18 U.S.C 926C. In accordance with Kansas law the standard firearms qualification course of fire will be conducted at the Kansas City, Kansas Police firing range at least twice annually.

APPLICABLE LAW

K.S.A 74-5601 et. seq. The Kansas Law Enforcement Training Act

The commission shall adopt the rules and regulations that are necessary to ensure that law enforcement officers are adequately trained and to enforce the provisions of this act. Such rules and regulations shall include, but are not limited to, the establishment of a course of fire as a standard qualification for active law enforcement officers to carry firearms that may also be used for qualified retired officers to carry firearms pursuant to federal law. The director shall provide qualification opportunities for qualified retired officers at least twice a year at the times and places the director determines to be necessary.

Definition: For the purposes of this document, weapon is defined as a handgun. No rifles, shotguns, or other firearms will be allowed.

PROCEDURE

Applicant Eligibility

Each applicant through the law enforcement agency from which they retired must meet the requirements of the Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act Improvements Act of 2010, 18 U.S.C. 926C.

These requirements include:

- Applicant before retirement, was authorized to engage in or supervise the prevention, detection, investigation or prosecution of, or incarceration of any person for, any violation of law, and had statutory powers of arrest and;
- Is retired or separated in good standing from service with a public agency as a law enforcement officer, other than for reasons of mental instability and;
- Before retirement was regularly employed as a law enforcement officer for an aggregate of 10 years or more or retired from service with such agency, after completing any applicable probationary period of such service, due to a service-connected disability, as determined by such agency and;
- Has a non-forfeitable right to benefits under the retirement plan of the agency and;

- Is not under the influence of alcohol or another intoxicating or hallucinatory drug or substance.
- Is not prohibited by Federal law from receiving a firearm.

Applicant's eligibility is determined by the applicant's credentialing agency.

Applicant Responsibilities Prior to Firearm Qualification Attempt

Before KCKPD will permit any qualified officer the opportunity to attempt the State of Kansas standard firearms qualification course of fire (adopted by the Kansas Commission on Peace Officers' Standards and Training, August 2005) all retired applicants must complete the following requirement:

- Submit a completed KCKPD Law Enforcement Retiree Annual Firearms Qualification Application.
- Applicants are allowed up to two weapons upon which to attempt qualification at each qualification time.
- Sign a release of liability waiver the day of the qualification attempt;
- Provide government issued photo ID on the day of the qualification attempt;
- Attend a range and firearms safety briefing the day of the qualification attempt. Applicant retirees must receive a score of 100% (provide all correct answers) on a short safety quiz on the day of the qualification attempt before being permitted on the firing line.

Required Equipment

On the scheduled qualification attempt date the applicant will bring to the KCKPD firing range the following equipment:

- **Weapon(s) with which applicant wishes to qualify (maximum of two weapons);** (All weapons must pass a safety inspection by KCKPD range staff on day of attempted qualification.) All standard safety features of the weapon must operate properly.
- **100 rounds of new, factory load ammunition** (reload ammunition will not be permitted-no exceptions) for each weapon upon which the applicant wishes to attempt qualification.
- **A duty style holster or plain clothes style holster** in good repair; holsters must be worn on the shooter's strong side hip.
- **Eye protection** appropriate for firearms range activities.

KCKPD Responsibility

Upon receipt of application from a qualified law enforcement retiree, KCKPD will:

- Generate a computer record file;
- KCKPD will provide each applicant:
 - State of Kansas standard firearms qualification course of fire
 - Safety handouts (for study purposes for safety quiz)
- Provide hearing protection on day of attempted qualification:

- Provide safety briefing and administer safety quiz to retiree prior to qualification attempt:
- Administer the firearms course of fire:
- Provide a wallet size firearms certification card for each weapon which applicant has qualified to applicants who successfully achieve a passing score of 70% or greater on the State of Kansas standard firearms qualification course of fire.

Firearms qualification Course Management

- No practice rounds will be allowed at the KCKPD range prior to qualification attempt.
- Each applicant will be allowed up to two qualification attempts per weapon; (if applicant fails to qualify after two attempts, applicant may reapply to the next qualification date.)
- Course management rules for the State of Kansas standard firearms qualification course of fire are provided below the stages of fire listed;
- KCKPD Range Staff decisions regarding target scoring and course management will be final.

Safety is of paramount importance to KCKPD staff. Accordingly, KCKPD reserves the right to refuse admission to or expel any applicant from KCKPD firearms facilities for engaging in unsafe behavior including the use of unsafe equipment.