

General Steps to Becoming a Deputy Sheriff

There are four (4) steps to becoming a full time deputy sheriff with Carson City. These general steps can guide an applicant all the way from interest to becoming a certified officer. The applicant should assume the conditions below are a general guideline. They should not be considered all inclusive, nor mandatory, dependent upon the specific applicant and his/her history.

To Apply (submit application to city Human Resources Department):

- Must have graduated from high school or equivalent
- Must be a US Citizen
- Must possess a valid Nevada Drivers License
- Must be at least 21 years old

To be considered, must pass examination process of:

- Must pass a written examination
- Must pass the Nevada POST fitness exam
- Must pass an oral examination

Prior to hiring, must complete:

- Must complete a thorough background investigation (personal, financial, employment)
- Must complete a physical exam prior to beginning employment
- Must submit to a mental health evaluation

Within first year of employment

- Must complete POST certifications for CAT I and III (if not already certified)
- Must complete 12 months probation
- Must complete Field Training Program (Detention and Patrol are separate programs)

Background Check: A review of your criminal and driver history will be completed in conjunction with the background information you provide. Felony convictions, for example, are automatic disqualifiers. A complete evaluation of your application and background information will be followed up by a VSA (voice stress analyzer) test.