

Alabama Peace Officers Standards and Training Commission
480 hour Minimum Standards Curriculum
Effective January 1, 2006

Subject	Hours
<u>Introduction To Law Enforcement</u>	<u>Total 8 Hours</u>
Opening Remarks and Orientation	2 hours
History of Law Enforcement	1 hour
Law Enforcement Ethics and Professionalism	4 hours
Title 36-21-40	1 hour
<u>General Topics</u>	<u>Total 95 Hours</u>
Notetaking & Notebook Construction	2 hours
Federal Law Enforcement Agencies	3 hours
State law Enforcement Agencies	2 hours
Introduction to Terrorism	4 hours
Police Communications (Radio)	2 hours
Records and Reports	4 hours
Effective Report Writing	8 hours
Explosives Act #1971/Recognizing Bombs and Explosives	3 hours
Handling the Emotionally Disturbed	4 hours
First Aid Includes C.P.R certification in accordance with American Heart Association or Red Cross Standards	8 hours
Stress	4 hours
Hazardous Materials	4 hours
Weapons of Mass Destruction	4 hours
Domestic Violence	4 hours
Public Utilities Enforcement Agencies	2 hours
Gangs, Sects, Cults and Deviant Movements	6 hours
Victims of Crime and Leniency	2 hours
Interpersonal Communications	4 hours
N.H.T.S.A. Standardized Field Sobriety Testing Course (Horizontal Gaze Nystagmus training)	24 hours
Project ICE	1 hour
<u>Equipment</u>	<u>Total 21 Hours</u>
Care and Use of Police Equipment	2 hours
Operation of Emergency Vehicles	3 hours
Police Defensive Driving	16 hours

<u>Criminal Investigation</u>	<u>Total 50 Hours</u>
Receiving and Handling Complaints	4 hours
Preserving the Crime Scene, Collecting and Preserving Evidence	8 hours
Building Searches	8 hours
Death Investigations	4 hours
Fingerprints	4 hours
Burglary Investigations	2 hours
Robbery Investigations	2 hours
Auto Theft	2 hours
Drug Enforcement and Vice Investigations (Drug Enforcement – 4 hours, Methamphetamine Lab – 2 hours) Prostitution – 1 hour, Gambling – 1 hour)	8 hours
Sex Crimes	4 hours
Search and Seizure/4th Amendment law	4 hours

<u>Criminal Procedures & Laws of Evidence</u>	<u>Total 32 Hours</u>
Laws of Arrest, State & Federal Criminal Procedure	8 hours
Searching & Transporting Prisoners	4 hours
Laws of Corrections & Custody	4 hours
Civil Process	2 hours
Interrogations & Confessions (5 th & 6 th Amendments)	4 hours
Alabama Rules of Evidence	4 hours
Criminal/Civil Liability & Civil Rights	4 hours
U.S. Constitution, Bill of Rights & Constitution Principles	2 hours

<u>Juvenile Procedure</u>	<u>Total 8 Hours</u>
Juvenile Laws, Detainment & Detention Procedures	4 hours
Exploitation of Children	4 hours

<u>Courts</u>	<u>Total 31 Hours</u>
Alabama Criminal Law, Title 13A	16 hours
State of Alabama Motor Vehicle Laws, Title 32, Title 15, Criminal Procedure	4 hours
Court Procedures	2 hours
Court Procedures	8 hours
Title VII: ADA/Sexual Harassment	1 hour

<u>Patrol Techniques</u>	<u>Total 16 Hours</u>
Patrol Techniques	12 hours
Officer/Violator Contact	2 hours
Traffic Direction and Control	2 hours

<u>Traffic Operations</u>	<u>Total 34 Hours</u>
Introduction to Accident Investigation	2 hours
Questioning Drivers & Witnesses	1 hour
Hit and Run Accidents	1 hour
Accident Reports and Safety Responsibility Laws	4 hours
Measurements & Diagrams (no scale diagramming)	10 hours
Marks on the Roadway	4 hours
Licenses & Registration and CDL	2 hours
Traffic Exam	1 hour
Traffic Exam Review	1 hour
Draeger	8 hours

<u>Offensive & Defensive Tactics</u>	<u>Total 109 Hours</u>
Defensive Tactics - PPCT	32 hours
Defensive Tactics - SSGT or Arcon	16 hours
Physical Training	33 hours
Officer Survival	24 hours
Physical Agility Exam	4 hours

<u>Community/News Media Relations</u>	<u>Total 3 Hours</u>
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<u>Firearms Training</u>	<u>Total 43 hours</u>
Firearms Qualification	27 hours
Close Combat/Night Firing	12 hours
Shotgun Familiarization	4 hours

<u>Examinations and Directors Time</u>	<u>Total 30 Hours</u>
Testing	
Evaluations	
Reviews	
Graduation	
Administrative Meetings	

Grand Total 480 Hours