



Trooper Trainee

Salary Group: C01

Class Code: 9920

CLASS TITLE	CLASS CODE	SALARY GROUP
TROOPER TRAINEE	9920	C01
PROBATIONARY TROOPER	9922	C02
TROOPER	9928	C03
CORPORAL	9935	C03

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Attends the Department of Public Safety Training Academy and receives and demonstrates knowledge and skill necessary for peace officer licensing by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement and commissioning by the Department of Public Safety. Work involves receiving instruction on basic defensive tactics and applicable state and federal public safety statutes and regulations. Works under close supervision, with minimal latitude for the use of initiative and independent judgment.

EXAMPLES OF WORK PERFORMED

Maintains satisfactory performance while acquiring and demonstrating knowledge in enforcement of all applicable state and federal public safety statutes and regulations.

Maintains satisfactory performance while acquiring and demonstrating knowledge and skill in physical conditioning and basic defensive tactics.

Maintains satisfactory performance while acquiring and demonstrating knowledge and skill in responding to inquiries and presenting educational programs to the public regarding applicable statutes, regulations, and department programs.

Maintains satisfactory performance while acquiring and demonstrating knowledge and skill in preparing and submitting reports and paperwork required by Department procedures, as well as reports and paperwork required by other agencies and courts.

Maintains satisfactory performance while acquiring and demonstrating knowledge and skill in the use of firearms and first responder duties.

May accompany troopers or other personnel on patrol/duty and assist in the performance of traffic and criminal arrests.

Performs related work as assigned.

GENERAL QUALIFICATION GUIDELINES

EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATION

Must be at least 20 years of age to apply and must be 21 years of age upon graduating from the Department of Public Safety Training Academy. Applicants must have a minimum of 60 earned hours from an accredited four-year college or university. Prior law enforcement or military experience may be substituted for the required college hours.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES

Ability to learn police methods, traffic and criminal laws and regulations, Department policies, safety rules and regulations, and court rules and procedures; to learn the use and care of firearms and radio equipment; to learn physical and defensive tactics; to learn first aid; and to communicate effectively.

REGISTRATION, CERTIFICATION, OR LICENSURE

Must possess a valid driver's license.