

Process for becoming a Level 1 Reserve Officer in Idaho

1. Must be hired by a recognized Idaho law enforcement agency. (i.e. sheriff or police)
2. Any peace officer as defined in Section 19-5101(d), Idaho Code, except any elected official, any deputy sheriff serving civil process, the director of the Idaho State Police, or those peace officers whose primary duties involve motor vehicle parking and animal control pursuant to city or county ordinance, shall be certified by the Peace Officer Standards and Training Council within one (1) year after first being appointed unless granted additional time to complete certification by the POST Council as set forth in Subsection 030.11. (4-2-08)
3. Submit a complete Level 1 Reserve Academy Application packet to the POST Academy. You need to make sure that all forms are complete and all required documentation is included.
4. Complete a POST certified Level 1 Reserve academy. This 233 hrs of prescribed training can be found in the POST Academy Administration Rules.
5. Complete 17 prescribed online courses. Approximately 40 hrs. These online training can be accessed from the POST website under "Distance Learning" In order to be eligible to access the courses your agency must submit to POST an initial employment form attaching you to that agency. This online training must be done prior to the start of the reserve academy. The online training courses by name are:

Legal Issues

U.S. Constitution
Idaho Liquor Law
Rules of Evidence
Idaho Criminal Code
Laws of Arrest
Search and Seizure
Idaho Fish and Game
Brand Law
Use of Force
Idaho Traffic Code

Other Topics

Emotionally Disturbed Persons
Juvenile Procedures - In-service
Child Abuse Investigation
Report Writing
Effective Courtroom Testimony
Sexual Assault Investigation

Domestic Violence

Hazmat Awareness

Go online to <http://www.SafeResponce.com> and from the homepage click on the course list – upper left- and choose Hazmat Awareness. Register, complete the course, and print the certificate.

ICS – 100 Introduction to Incident Command System

Go online to <http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/IS100LEb.asp>. The course will take approximately 3- hours to complete. At the end, you will be asked to complete an exam. You will be required to give your personal information, including SS#. This will be sent to the Department of Homeland Security. If you pass the exam, you will be emailed a link where you can go to print a completion certificate.

The Hazmat Awareness and ICS – 100 certificates will be given to the Reserve Coordinator.

6. Pass the Level 1 Reserve Test in one hour with a 75% score.
7. After passing the Level 1 Reserve Test, the certification will be issued after the officer completes probationary period which can be no less than 6 months in length; from the officers hire date.
8. To retain certification, from and after January 1, 2004, every peace officer and county detention officer appointed by an agency must satisfactorily complete forty (40) hours of continuing training related to law enforcement every two (2) calendar years beginning January 1 following the date the officer was certified. The continuing training completed does not have to be POST-certified training.
9. A certified reserve peace officer must satisfy the continuing training requirements and work one hundred twenty (120) hours annually in a peace officer capacity to retain certification. Documentation of hours worked must be kept on file at the appointing agency. Any reserve peace officer not satisfying the continuing training requirements of Sections 360 through 363 or working less than one hundred twenty (120) hours annually must complete all requirements as set forth in Sections 130 through 131 and either Sections 132 through 135 or 146 through 149 to be recertified.