

Rindge Police Department
Police Officer Recruitment Process

Acknowledgement of Automatic Disqualifiers

Before completing an application to become a Rindge Police Officer you must first review and acknowledge that none of the New Hampshire Police Standards & Training Council automatic disqualifiers listed below apply to you. These disqualifiers will be part of the pre-polygraph questionnaire and they will be discussed during the polygraph. If any of the disqualifiers apply to you please do not submit an application. If none of the disqualifiers apply to you please sign the acknowledgement and submit this form with your application.

Administrative Rules of New Hampshire Police Standards & Training Council

Pol 301.05 Background Investigation. The following shall apply to the background investigation required on the applicant by the agency:

(g) The hiring authority shall evaluate the results of its background investigation and the agency shall not appoint or invest with authority an applicant who:

- (1) Suffers from a mental disorder, as defined in Pol 101.27 for which he/she has not undergone effective rehabilitation, which would affect his/her ability to perform law enforcement or corrections duties;
- (2) Has ever been convicted of a felony by a civilian court or by a military court, whether or not the charge had been annulled nor whether a suspended sentence was completed, and for which he or she has never received a pardon;
- (3) Has been convicted of a misdemeanor by a civilian or military court and for which he or she has not received a pardon, which offense or the underlying circumstances surrounding the commission thereof was such that it would cause a reasonable person to doubt the applicant's character, honesty or ability;
- (4) Has been convicted in a civilian or military court of multiple misdemeanors or violations for which he or she has not received a pardon, and which would indicate to a reasonable person a pattern of disregard for the law;
- (5) Has been convicted in a military or civilian court in the 10 years immediately before application for hire as a police or corrections officer of a misdemeanor for which he or she has not received a pardon, and which resulted in a serious bodily injury to another person;
- (6) Has ever been dishonorably discharged from the military service;
- (7) Has been discharged from the military service under other than honorable conditions, where the circumstances, in the opinion of a reasonable person, would cast doubt on his/her fitness to be a police or corrections officer;

(8) Has ever illegally manufactured, transported for sale, or sold a controlled substance as sale is defined in RSA 318-B:1, unless, upon review of the council at the request of a hiring authority, the council finds that:

- a. The conduct occurred at an age when the applicant would have been considered a juvenile under the laws of the state where the conduct occurred;
- b. That the behavior pattern under the totality of the circumstances did not demonstrate a lack of good moral character as defined in Pol 101.28; and
- c. Where a sale did occur, it was not for profit, meaning the conduct did not result in an excess of return over expenditure in a transaction or series of transactions.

(9) Within 36 months before the application for hire, has illegally used a controlled substance other than marijuana, unless the applicant was under the age of 21 at the time of using the controlled substance, in which case 24 months shall apply;

(10) Within 12 months before the application for hire, has used marijuana;

(11) While employed in a law enforcement capacity has ever illegally used a controlled substance;

(12) Has knowingly made a material false statement in the application process;

(13) Has been discharged or allowed to resign in lieu of discharge for reasons of moral character as defined in Pol 101.28 or Pol 301.05 (m) or moral turpitude as defined in Pol 101.29, from employment as a police, corrections or probation/parole officer for acts or omissions of conduct which would cause a reasonable person to have doubts about the individual's honesty, fairness, and respect for the rights of others and for the laws of this State or Nation;

(14) Has a history of illegal drug use which in the opinion of a reasonable person would cast doubt on his/her fitness to be a police, corrections or probation/parole officer;

(15) Uses any legal drugs or alcohol to excess; or

(16) Whose general character and reputation in the community are such that a reasonable person would doubt that the applicant would conduct him/herself with honesty and integrity and uphold the rule of law.

(h) If there is any indication of mental disorder, the applicant shall not be appointed unless the results of a mental status examination conducted by a New Hampshire licensed psychologist or psychiatrist indicates that the applicant is fit for duty as a police or corrections officer.

I acknowledge that I have reviewed the list of automatic disqualifiers and none of them apply to me.		
Printed Name	Signature	Date