



# Paducah Police Department

## Minimum Qualifications of Applicants



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### Requirements for Appointment as a Police Officer:

1. *Must be a citizen of the United States and be at least twenty-one (21) years of age.*
2. *Must possess the minimum educational requirement of a high school diploma or GED.*
3. *Must possess a valid operator's license and be able to operate a motor vehicle.*
4. *Must successfully undergo a fingerprint check through the Kentucky State Police (KSP) and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).*
5. *Must be able to identify the colors red, green, and yellow.*
6. *Must have standard visual acuity consistent with KLEC standards. (See KLEC POPS Medical Screening guidelines.)*
7. *If served in the military, must possess a conditional or an honorable discharge.*
8. *Must be able to read, write, speak, and understand the English language.*
9. *Must submit to and pass a medical examination.*
10. *Must submit to and pass a drug screen.*
11. *Must submit to and pass a background investigation, which shall include a credit check.*
12. *Must submit to and pass an interview process.*
13. *Must pass a pre-employment physical fitness screening.*
14. *Must pass required physical fitness standards as specified in the Peace Officers Professional Standards (POPS).*
15. *Must pass a psychological examination.*
16. *Must submit to a polygraph examination.*

**Contact Captain Hodges at 270-444-8573 or [joinppd@paducahky.gov](mailto:joinppd@paducahky.gov) if you have any questions about your eligibility.**

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