



P.O.S.T. Update - July 2018

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New POST ORI Number

POST now has a new ORI number to be used only when applicants need their finger print results through the Georgia Applicant Processing System (GAPS). The new number is GAGSPH800.

Recertification Application Update

Effective January 1, 2018, the application for recertification, required every 4 years for peace officers mandated after January 1, 2012, will no longer require a physician's affidavit **if** the officer has not had a break in service longer than 30 days. The application will not ask for the upload if the officer has had no such break in service.

Changes to Basic Applications

Effective July 1, 2018, if an applicant uploads proof of a college degree, Associate's or higher, as his/her level of education, there will be no requirement for an entrance exam score in the application.

Also, the 30-day rule on entrance exam scores has been removed. In the past, an applicant could not re-take the test sooner than 30 days from a failed attempt. That is no longer the case.

Governor's Initiative Courses Update

The required annual training courses known as the "Governor's Initiative" training remain an annual requirement. **See January 2017 POST Update.**

The Georgia Public Safety Training Center (GPSTC) has added several courses to the previous choices so that peace officers have a variety of courses from which to choose.

GPSTC has these courses available online through their website at www.gpstc.org

The **designated topics** to be completed each year within the 20 hours are:

Firearms Requalification	– 1 Hour
Use of Deadly Force	– 1 Hour
De-escalation training	– 1 Hour
<u>Community Policing</u>	<u>– 2 Hours</u>
Total	= 5 Hours

The courses may also be taught as in-service courses at the agency level, by POST certified instructors. Course codes and training objectives for these courses can be found here at www.gapost.org.