

Preparing for Your Written Test

The Entry Peace Officer written test is a 100 item multiple choice examination. This examination does not measure knowledge of laws or information related to law enforcement agencies or procedures. Instead, this examination measures basic abilities that are needed in order to succeed in the rigorous training program that successful candidates will have to complete prior to becoming peace officers. The areas directly measured by this test include Language Skills (reading comprehension, writing skills), and Situational Reasoning (inductive and deductive reasoning, and name and number matching).

You may wish to go to your local library or book store and look for books that describe how to take tests or how to prepare for tests. There will be a good selection of these books available. These books will provide helpful study and preparation ideas, and most will also include sample tests.

In order to be successful in this examination you should:

- ✓ Come to the test mentally prepared. Arrive early and rested.
- ✓ Listen carefully to all instructions.
- ✓ Read each question carefully, including each of the available answers. There will be only one correct answer. Choose the answer that you believe to be most correct and mark your answer sheet carefully.
- ✓ Monitor your use of time. Allow about one minute per question. When you are finished, take the time to review your work and review some of the questions that were difficult for you.
- ✓ You must try to answer all of the questions. If you do not answer a question you will be marked down.