

1.1 **Board of Peace Officer Standards and Training**

1.2 **Proposed Permanent Rules on Peace Officer Standards and Training**

1.3 **6700.0100 DEFINITIONS.**

1.4 *[For text of subpart 1, see Minnesota Rules]*

1.5 Subp. 2. [See repealer.]

1.6 Subp. 2a. **Academic component.** "Academic component" means categories 1 and 2
1.7 of the learning objectives approved by the board.

1.8 Subp. 2b. **Adjunct instructor.** "Adjunct instructor" means a person who provides
1.9 instruction in the peace officer preservice program but who is not a full-time faculty member.

1.10 *[For text of subparts 3 to 5, see Minnesota Rules]*

1.11 Subp. 5a. **Professional peace officer education.** "Professional peace officer education"
1.12 means:

1.13 A. a postsecondary degree that includes instruction as specified in part 6700.0300,
1.14 subpart 1, before August 1, 2029; or

1.15 B. a postsecondary certificate that includes instruction as specified in part
1.16 6700.0300, subpart 1, before August 1, 2029, and is awarded by a certified school to
1.17 individuals who already possess a postsecondary degree.

1.18 *[For text of subpart 6, see Minnesota Rules]*

1.19 Subp. 7. **Certification.** "Certification" means official acknowledgment by the board
1.20 that a school meets all of the criteria ~~listed~~ in parts 6700.0300 and 6700.0400 to offer
1.21 ~~professional peace officer education or the academic component or clinical psychomotor~~
1.22 ~~skills component of the professional peace officer education~~ preservice training.

2.1 Subp. 8. **Chief law enforcement officer.** "Chief law enforcement officer" means the
2.2 designated head and the ~~highest ranking~~ highest-ranking board-licensed peace officer within
2.3 ~~an~~ a law enforcement agency.

2.4 Subp. 9. [Repealed, 14 SR 12]

2.5 Subp. 9a. **Conviction.** "Conviction" means that a person ~~has been charged with a~~
2.6 ~~crime and the person was found guilty of that crime, regardless of length of or imposition~~
2.7 ~~or execution of any sentence received, any deferred finding of guilt or imposition of sentence~~
2.8 ~~by the court, any continuance for dismissal granted by the court, or any expungement of~~
2.9 ~~the offense records or conviction.~~ was:

2.10 A. convicted of a crime or otherwise found guilty or pleaded guilty, including by
2.11 entering an Alford plea or a plea of no contest;

2.12 B. found guilty of a crime, but the adjudication of guilt was stayed or withheld;

2.13 C. convicted of a crime, but the imposition or execution of a sentence was stayed;

2.14 or

2.15 D. convicted of a crime, but the conviction was later expunged.

2.16 Subp. 10. **Coordinator.** "Coordinator" means a person who is employed ~~full-time~~
2.17 full time by a certified school, and designated by a certified school, to manage the day-to-day
2.18 activities of the professional peace officer education program before August 1, 2029.

2.19 Subp. 10a. **Discrimination.** "Discrimination" means oral, written, graphic, or physical
2.20 conduct directed against any person or group of persons because of their race, color, creed,
2.21 religion, national origin, sex, gender identity, age, marital status, status with regard to public
2.22 assistance, sexual orientation, disability, or veteran's status that has the purpose or reasonably
2.23 foreseeable effect of demeaning or intimidating that person or group of persons.

Subp. 11. **Eligible to be licensed.** "Eligible to be licensed" means the status of an individual who has passed the peace officer licensing examination or the reciprocity examination; but who has not yet secured employment as a peace officer.

Subp. 12. **Executive director.** "Executive director" means the executive director of the board.

Subp. 12a. **Felony.** "Felony" ~~means a crime punishable by more than one year in prison~~ has the meaning given in Minnesota Statutes, section 609.02, subdivision 2.

[For text of subparts 13 and 14, see Minnesota Rules]

Subp. 15. **Guest lecturer.** "Guest lecturer" means a person who is invited by the instructor to occasionally teach ~~occasionally~~ in a ~~school~~ preservice or a board-approved ~~course in~~ continuing education course.

Subp. 16. **Inactive licensed officer.** "Inactive licensed officer" means an individual who holds a currently valid peace officer license issued by the board; but who is not currently employed by ~~an~~ a law enforcement agency.

Subp. 17. **Instructor.** "Instructor" means a person who is ~~recognized as being~~ qualified to teach ~~in a school~~ a component of training under part 6700.0300 or a board-approved continuing education course according to part 6700.0900.

Subp. 17a. **Law enforcement agency or agency.** "Law enforcement agency" or "agency" has the meaning given in Minnesota Statutes, section 626.84, subdivision 1, paragraph (f).

Subp. 18. **Part-time peace officer.** "Part-time peace officer" has the meaning given ~~it~~ in Minnesota Statutes, section 626.84, subdivision 1, paragraph (d).

Subp. 19. **Peace officer.** "Peace officer" has the meaning given ~~it~~ in Minnesota Statutes, section 626.84, subdivision 1, paragraph (c).

4.1 Subp. 19a. **Peace officer preservice program or program.** "Peace officer preservice
4.2 program" or "program" means the learning objectives developed and maintained by the
4.3 board that are delivered by a certified school after August 1, 2029.

4.4 Subp. 20. **School.** "School" means a postsecondary institution ~~which~~ that is authorized
4.5 to award degrees and is accredited by one of the six regional accrediting associations and
4.6 ~~authorized to award academic degrees including, but not limited to, Associate of Arts (A.A.)~~
4.7 ~~degrees, Associate of Science (A.S.) degrees, Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degrees, and Bachelor~~
4.8 ~~of Science (B.S.) degrees~~ a federally recognized accrediting agency or recognized as meeting
4.9 accreditation by a current member of the National Association of Credential Evaluation
4.10 Services.

4.11 *[For text of subparts 21 and 22, see Minnesota Rules]*

4.12 Subp. 23. **Postsecondary certificate.** "Postsecondary certificate" means ~~a nonacademic~~
4.13 ~~title~~ an academic credential awarded by a school that shows completion of a specific course
4.14 of study.

4.15 Subp. 23b. **Preservice Advisory Committee.** "Preservice Advisory Committee"
4.16 means the standing committee of professionals, subject matter experts, and stakeholders
4.17 that is established under part 6700.0300 to advise and aid the board in developing and
4.18 updating preservice program topics and learning objectives.

4.19 Subp. 23c. **Primary certified school.** "Primary certified school" means the certified
4.20 school in which a student enrolls and begins the peace officer preservice program.

4.21 Subp. 23e. **Program director or director.** "Program director" or "director" means a
4.22 person who is appointed and employed full time by a certified school and approved by the
4.23 board under part 6700.0300, subpart 11, to manage the day-to-day activities of the peace
4.24 officer preservice program.

5.1 Subp. 23f. **Psychomotor skills component.** "Psychomotor skills component" means
5.2 categories 3 and 4 of the learning objectives approved by the board under part 6700.0300.

5.3 Subp. 24. **Certified school.** "Certified school" means a school that has been given
5.4 certification under part 6700.0400.

5.5 Subp. 25. [See repealer.]

5.6 [For text of subparts 26 and 27, see Minnesota Rules]

5.7 Subp. 27a. **Secondary certified school.** "Secondary certified school" means the
5.8 certified school in which a student enrolls to complete the psychomotor skills component
5.9 of the peace officer preservice program if different than the primary certified school.

5.10 [For text of subparts 28 and 29, see Minnesota Rules]

5.11 **6700.0300 ~~PROFESSIONAL PEACE OFFICER EDUCATION~~ PRESERVICE**
5.12 **PROGRAM.**

5.13 Subpart 1. **Subject areas; waivers.** ~~The professional peace officer education must~~
5.14 ~~minimally include instruction in the learning objectives approved by the board and based~~
5.15 ~~on the following subject areas:~~

5.16 ~~A. history and overview of the criminal justice system;~~

5.17 ~~B. Minnesota statute law;~~

5.18 ~~C. constitutional law and criminal procedure;~~

5.19 ~~D. juvenile justice system and procedure;~~

5.20 ~~E. patrol procedures;~~

5.21 ~~F. criminal investigation and testifying;~~

5.22 ~~G. human behavior and crisis intervention;~~

5.23 ~~H. defensive tactics and use of force; and~~

6.1 ~~I. cultural awareness and response to crime victims.~~

6.2 ~~The organization of the curriculum and the location of delivery of curriculum~~
6.3 ~~components is the responsibility of the certified school's governing body.~~

6.4 A. The peace officer preservice program teaches the learning objectives set by
6.5 the board as prescribed. The learning objectives relate to the following categories:

6.6 (1) category 1 - Core Competencies;

6.7 (2) category 2 - Foundational Knowledge;

6.8 (3) category 3 - Performance of Peace Officer Duties and Tasks; and

6.9 (4) category 4 - Tools, Techniques, and Tactics.

6.10 B. When any of the learning objective categories are revised by the board, the
6.11 board must give certified schools time to adopt and implement the changes.

6.12 C. A certified school's program director may waive a program participant's
6.13 instruction on a particular subject matter or for a specific learning objective in category 1
6.14 or 2 if the participant provides proof of equivalent training.

6.15 D. The minimum standards of the psychomotor skills component are provided by
6.16 the board to certified schools. Learning objectives from categories 3 and 4 are ineligible
6.17 for a waiver.

6.18 Subp. 2. [See repealer.]

6.19 Subp. 2a. **Preservice Advisory Committee.**

6.20 A. The Preservice Advisory Committee consists of at least the following members
6.21 selected by the board:

6.22 (1) two peace officer preservice program directors, at least one of whom must
6.23 be a director of a school offering the psychomotor skills component;

7.1 (2) two chiefs of police or their designees, one from the metropolitan area
7.2 and one from greater Minnesota;

7.3 (3) two sheriffs or their designees, one from the metropolitan area and one
7.4 from greater Minnesota;

7.5 (4) two peace officers designated as a field training officer or a field training
7.6 officer supervisor, one from the metropolitan area and one from greater Minnesota;

7.7 (5) one defensive tactics instructor;

7.8 (6) one firearms instructor;

7.9 (7) one emergency vehicle operations instructor;

7.10 (8) two county attorneys or assistant county attorney designees, one from the
7.11 metropolitan area and one from greater Minnesota;

7.12 (9) one victims' rights advocate;

7.13 (10) one mental health professional; and

7.14 (11) two public members, one from the metropolitan area and one from greater
7.15 Minnesota.

7.16 B. The Preservice Advisory Committee must:

7.17 (1) conduct an annual review of the peace officer preservice program and
7.18 provide a report to the board's subcommittee on training by December 1 each year;

7.19 (2) provide program recommendations to the board as a result of the annual
7.20 review and as needed;

7.21 (3) advise the board of changes in case law, industry standards, and best
7.22 practices that affect the program; and

(4) complete any other tasks requested by the board within the purview of the committee.

C. An individual appointed by the board under item A serves a four-year term. At the end of a member's term, the member may apply to the board for reappointment.

D. Nothing in this subpart prevents the board or the Preservice Advisory Committee from consulting with other individuals who have specialized training and expertise in topics covered by the preservice program.

Subp. 3. **Minimum requirements.** All certified schools ~~shall~~ must comply with the minimum requirements in subpart 1 as applicable to their certification and ~~shall~~ must furnish reasonable and necessary proof to the board to verify that the provisions of subpart 1 are being met. Nothing in parts 6700.0100 to 6700.1800 precludes any certified school from ~~enacting rules which establish~~ establishing standards of training above the minimum requirements in subpart 1.

Subp. 4. [See repealer.]

Subp. 4a. Compliance reviews of certified schools.

A. A school certified by the board to provide the peace officer preservice program must comply with parts 6700.0300 and 6700.0400.

B. A certified school must cooperate fully with scheduled or random compliance reviews by the board.

C. Certified schools are subject to a compliance review at least once every two years. The board reserves the right to conduct a compliance review on certified schools at any time.

D. The board must review the certified school's safety policies, training materials, facilities, and equipment. During a review, a certified school must supply to the board, if

9.1 requested, any documentation or records that are kept on the school's program or participants,
9.2 as permitted by law.

9.3 Subp. 5. **Participation** **General applicant enrollment requirements for all certified**
9.4 **schools.**

9.5 A. All certified schools ~~shall~~ must develop enrollment standards for ~~admission to~~
9.6 ~~the professional peace officer education courses. These standards must measure the student's~~
9.7 ~~likelihood of successful completion of the~~ peace officer preservice program. The enrollment
9.8 standards must at minimum prohibit students from enrolling in the program if they have
9.9 been convicted of any crime listed as a disqualification from appointment to the position
9.10 of peace officer under part 6700.0700, subpart 1, item D.

9.11 ~~B. No student may be admitted to the professional peace officer program who:~~

9.12 ~~(1) poses a serious threat to the health or safety of themselves or others; or~~

9.13 ~~(2) has been convicted of any crime listed as a disqualification from~~
9.14 ~~appointment to the position of peace officer under part 6700.0700, subpart 1, item D.~~

9.15 ~~C. If a student is denied admission or participation in the professional peace officer~~
9.16 ~~education program because of any of the requirements in item A or B, the certified school~~
9.17 ~~shall inform the student of the denial and its reasons for the denial. The certified school~~
9.18 ~~shall also afford the student a formal appeal process. That appeal process must be reduced~~
9.19 ~~to writing and provided to each student who is denied admission or participation in the~~
9.20 ~~program because of any of the requirements in item A or B.~~

9.21 B. A certified school must deny an applicant entry into the peace officer preservice
9.22 program if the applicant does not, is unable to, or refuses to comply with the enrollment
9.23 standards under item A. The denial stands until the applicant comes into compliance and
9.24 meets the certified school's enrollment standards. If an applicant is denied entry into a

certified school's program for any reason, the certified school must inform the applicant of the basis for the denial in writing.

~~D. C. Prior to admission to the professional peace officer education~~ Before a
certified school enrolls a student in the peace officer preservice program, all students the
school must be advised advise the student in writing of the minimum selection standards
under part 6700.0700, using an advisory form developed by the board. In addition, ~~students~~
~~shall be advised~~ the certified school must advise the student in writing of the credit transfer
agreements ~~which~~ that the certified program has established with upper division institutions
in Minnesota.

D. An applicant must sign the board's advisory form and attest that the applicant
meets the minimum selection standards as described in part 6700.0700 before enrolling in
the board's program. If an applicant is found not to meet the minimum selection standards
or the standards are violated while the individual is enrolled in a certified school's program,
the applicant or participant must be denied entry into or removed from the peace officer
preservice program. An applicant does not have to satisfy part 6700.0700, subpart 1, item
C, J, or K, to enroll in the program. A primary certified school program director must use
an applicant's criminal history and psychological screening to verify the applicant meets
the minimum selection standards as attested on the advisory form.

Subp. 5a. Applicant enrollment requirements; certified schools providing
psychomotor skills component.

A. To enroll in the psychomotor skills component of the peace officer preservice
program, an individual must complete the board's application and satisfy the requirements
of this subpart. The program director of the certified school delivering the psychomotor
skills component is responsible for ensuring applicants meet the requirements described in
this subpart before they enroll in the psychomotor skills component.

11.1 B. An applicant must possess a valid Minnesota driver's license or a valid driver's
11.2 license from another state. The applicant must acquire a copy of their driving record from
11.3 the Department of Public Safety, Division of Driver and Vehicle Services, and its equivalent
11.4 from another state if licensed elsewhere. The applicant must submit the records to the
11.5 certified school's director for review.

11.6 C. An applicant must submit the board's physical assessment form, completed
11.7 and signed by a licensed medical professional, to the certified school's director stating that
11.8 the applicant is free from any physical condition that would pose a threat to the health or
11.9 safety of the applicant, other participants, or program instructors. The medical form must
11.10 also state whether the applicant is able to perform the duties of a peace officer.

11.11 D. An applicant must submit to a psychological screening to assess their general
11.12 suitability for law enforcement. A psychologist licensed in Minnesota or the state in which
11.13 the psychologist practices must review the results of the screening and submit a written
11.14 opinion stating whether the applicant is fit to enter the peace officer preservice program.
11.15 For purposes of this item, "fit" means that the applicant does not pose a health or safety
11.16 threat to themselves, other participants, or program instructors. The psychological screening
11.17 must satisfy Minnesota Statutes, section 626.8471, subdivision 5, paragraph (b), clause (2).
11.18 Psychological screenings are valid for one year after completion and must be valid at the
11.19 time a student enrolls in the psychomotor skills component of the program. Primary certified
11.20 schools may complete the psychological screening and transfer the results to a secondary
11.21 certified school before a participant's enrollment in the psychomotor skills component.

11.22 E. An applicant must pass a criminal history background check completed by the
11.23 Bureau of Criminal Apprehension. An applicant must comply with applicable law to provide
11.24 the required documents, fees, and other necessary items to the Bureau of Criminal
11.25 Apprehension so the criminal history background check can be completed and shared with
11.26 the board and the certified school. If, as an adult, the applicant has lived or been arrested

12.1 in another state, the applicant must provide the certified school a criminal history report or
12.2 its equivalent from that state.

12.3 F. An applicant who is unable to or refuses to comply with items A to E must be
12.4 denied entry to the psychomotor skills component of the peace officer preservice program
12.5 until the applicant comes into compliance and meets all entry requirements. If an applicant
12.6 is denied entry into a certified school's program for any reason, the certified school must
12.7 inform the applicant in writing of the basis for the denial.

12.8 G. An applicant attending multiple certified schools to complete the peace officer
12.9 preservice program must complete the necessary steps and releases to allow certified schools
12.10 to share enrollment data and information.

12.11 Subp. 6. **Certified school's responsibilities.** The certified school's responsibilities
12.12 include the following:

12.13 ~~A. The certified school shall be responsible for maintaining and making available~~
12.14 ~~to the board and executive director pertinent information on all classes conducted in the~~
12.15 ~~certified school. The coordinator shall notify the executive director of students who have~~
12.16 ~~successfully completed the professional peace officer education.~~

12.17 ~~B. The certified school shall implement a records retention schedule requiring~~
12.18 ~~that curriculum materials used in the delivery of professional peace officer education be~~
12.19 ~~retained for five years. The materials must include course outlines, bibliographies, and other~~
12.20 ~~materials which would document the contents of the certified school's curriculum. This~~
12.21 ~~document applies to courses offered both on the certified school's campus and at any~~
12.22 ~~contracted extended sites.~~

12.23 ~~C. The chief executive officer of the certified school shall, by October 1 of each~~
12.24 ~~year, file with the board an affirmative action plan and such other relevant information as~~
12.25 ~~the board may require. The affirmative action plan must include specific goals and objectives~~

~~which describe measurable statements of performance for the recruitment and retention of minority students and women in the certified school's professional peace officer education program. By September 1 of each year, the chief executive officer of the certified school shall submit a written report to the board evaluating the effectiveness of the special goals and objectives included in the affirmative action plan from the previous year. "Minority student" means a Black, Hispanic, Asian or Pacific Islander, American Indian, or Alaskan native person. Relevant information may include lesson plans and course outlines.~~

~~D. When a coordinator leaves a certified school, the chief executive officer of the certified school must notify the board no later than 20 days after the coordinator has left the position, and provide the board with the name of the new coordinator. The signature facsimile of the new coordinator must accompany this notification. Any person appointed as a coordinator after January 1, 1990, must have a bachelor's degree in law enforcement, criminal justice, education, social or behavioral science, or related field and at least three years of experience with a criminal justice agency.~~

A. A certified school must implement a record retention schedule for materials used to deliver the peace officer preservice program. Program materials must be retained in compliance with applicable data practices law or at least seven years, whichever is longer. The records must include any documentation that establishes compliance with the board's learning objectives and program, regardless of the location of the training.

B. The certified school must implement a records retention schedule for documents that show the peace officer preservice program was completed by a participant. The records must be retained in compliance with applicable data practices law or at least seven years, whichever is longer.

C. It is the responsibility of the certified school and director offering the psychomotor skills component to ensure peace officer preservice program applicants satisfy the program enrollment requirements described in subpart 5a. Primary and secondary

14.1 certified schools must communicate with one another if enrollment requirements are not
14.2 met before a participant starts the psychomotor skills component or are violated while a
14.3 student is enrolled.

14.4 D. Primary certified schools must complete an acknowledgment of training form
14.5 and provide the form to a secondary certified school before an applicant enrolls in the
14.6 psychomotor skills component. On the form, the director of the primary certified school
14.7 must attest that the applicant has completed all the learning objectives from categories 1
14.8 and 2. Secondary schools are responsible for ensuring the form is received during the
14.9 psychomotor skills component enrollment process.

14.10 E. By June 1 each year, each certified school must submit to the board an
14.11 affirmative action plan that includes specific and measurable goals regarding the recruitment
14.12 and retention of female and minority students in the peace officer preservice program. The
14.13 certified school must also supply the board with a report evaluating the effectiveness of the
14.14 school's affirmative action plan during the previous calendar year.

14.15 Subp. 7. **Instructor requirements.** ~~All instructors who teach law enforcement courses~~
14.16 ~~in a certified school shall possess a postsecondary degree, or have professionally recognized~~
14.17 ~~training and experience to teach the assigned subject matter. This part shall not preclude~~
14.18 ~~the use of guest lecturers.~~

14.19 A. All instructors, including adjunct instructors, who teach a part of the academic
14.20 component of a certified school's peace officer preservice program:

14.21 (1) must possess a postsecondary degree;

14.22 (2) must have experience that equates to, at a minimum, three years of
14.23 professional experience in law enforcement or a criminal-justice-related field or have
14.24 professional training or education in the category or subject matter that they are teaching;

15.1 (3) must not have had a professional license or certificate revoked, rescinded,
15.2 or temporarily or permanently suspended; and

15.3 (4) must have training and experience to teach the program's subject matter.

15.4 B. All instructors, including adjunct instructors, who teach a part of the
15.5 psychomotor skills component of a certified school's peace officer preservice program:

15.6 (1) must possess a postsecondary degree;

15.7 (2) must have experience that equates to, at a minimum, three years of
15.8 full-time work experience in law enforcement or a criminal-justice-related field;

15.9 (3) must not have had a professional license or certificate revoked, rescinded,
15.10 or temporarily or permanently suspended; and

15.11 (4) must have training and experience to teach the program's subject matter.

15.12 C. Full-time instructors must complete at least 16 hours of training in adult
15.13 learning, instructor development, or curriculum development before or within the first two
15.14 years of being employed as an instructor with a certified school.

15.15 D. A certified school must maintain documentation on each instructor who teaches
15.16 any portion of the program curriculum. The documentation must include the instructor's
15.17 resume and relevant qualifications.

15.18 E. This subpart does not apply to guest lecturers.

15.19 Subp. 8. [See repealer.]

15.20 Subp. 9. [See repealer.]

15.21 Subp. 10. [See repealer.]

15.22 Subp. 11. **Director requirements.**

15.23 A. An individual appointed as a certified school's program director:

16.1 (1) must be employed full time by the certified school as the certified school's
16.2 director;

16.3 (2) must possess a bachelor's degree or an advanced degree in law
16.4 enforcement, criminal justice, education, social or behavioral science, or a related field;

16.5 (3) must not have had a professional license or certificate revoked, rescinded,
16.6 permanently suspended, or suspended;

16.7 (4) must have at least four years of experience as a full-time licensed or
16.8 certified peace officer; and

16.9 (5) must:

16.10 (a) have at least two years of experience instructing or teaching; or

16.11 (b) complete at least 32 hours of training in instructional supervision or
16.12 evaluation before or within the first two years of being employed as a director with a certified
16.13 school.

16.14 B. A coordinator of a professional peace officer education program who was
16.15 appointed before August 1, 2029, may take on the role of director without meeting the
16.16 requirements of item A if the coordinator is appointed director with the same certified school
16.17 and their appointment is continuous. If a coordinator's appointment is terminated or the
16.18 individual seeks appointment with a different certified school, the individual must comply
16.19 with item A before being appointed director.

16.20 C. A certified school must submit a director appointment form to the board for
16.21 review and receive the board's approval before an appointee may take on the official capacity
16.22 of director. The director appointment application must be vetted by the board's subcommittee
16.23 on training before being sent to the full board for final approval. The board's subcommittee
16.24 on training may approve a temporary program director until a permanent director is confirmed
16.25 if the individual is a full-time staff member and meets the requirements under item A,

17.1 subitems 2 and 3. The board must approve the appointment of a program director who meets
17.2 the requirements under this subpart.

17.3 D. When a certified school's director is no longer assigned to that position, the
17.4 chief executive officer or designee of the certified school must notify the board as soon as
17.5 the director's last day of assignment is known. Certified schools must notify the board when
17.6 a new director has been identified and follow the process in item C. The board's subcommittee
17.7 on training may approve a temporary program director according to item C until a permanent
17.8 director is identified.

17.9 Subp. 12. **Safety policy required.** Each certified school must implement a formal
17.10 written safety policy that incorporates specific rules, procedures, and protocols to ensure
17.11 the safety of participants and staff and to provide a safe, humane, and educationally sound
17.12 learning environment. The safety policy must include:

17.13 A. a process for participants to identify any preexisting injuries or medical
17.14 restrictions that may affect their ability to safely participate in the program;

17.15 B. a prohibition against harsh training activities or training activities that are
17.16 designed to humiliate or inappropriately accentuate a participant's shortcomings;

17.17 C. options available to support the mental health and overall well-being of program
17.18 participants and instructors;

17.19 D. a process for written documentation of details associated with any participant
17.20 injury that occurs during any training course. Specific injury trends and any high-risk training
17.21 practices or techniques must be evaluated, amended, or eliminated if safe environments
17.22 cannot be ensured;

17.23 E. guidelines to reduce or modify instructional pace and intensity during extreme
17.24 heat, cold, or other adverse climatic or environmental conditions; and

F. a prohibition against depriving participants of necessary food, water, or protective equipment when engaged in physical or psychomotor skills training.

Subp. 13. **Providing safety policy to participants and staff.** A certified school must provide program participants and instructors with a copy of the safety policy required under subpart 12. Before any psychomotor skills training, instructors must review the policy with participants during a safety briefing.

Subp. 14. **Transition.** Participants enrolled in a professional peace officer education program with a certified school before August 1, 2029, must complete their certification or degree by August 1, 2033, in accordance with Minnesota Rules 2025, chapter 6700. If an individual does not complete the professional peace officer education program training by August 1, 2033, the individual must comply with this chapter.

6700.0400 CERTIFICATION OF SCHOOLS.

Subpart 1. [See repealer.]

Subp. 1a. **Application.** A school seeking certification from the board to deliver the academic or psychomotor skills component of the peace officer preservice program must apply to the board. The application must include the following supporting documentation to demonstrate compliance with subpart 3a:

A. proof of accreditation;

B. a signed acknowledgment by the school's president or designee stating that the school will teach the board's learning objectives as prescribed;

C. a director appointee and list of instructors, including certifications and resumes;
and

D. a strategic plan and a detailed list of the safety policies, facilities, equipment, and locations the school intends to use to deliver the program and its learning objectives.

19.1 Subp. 2. [See repealer.]

19.2 Subp. 3. [See repealer.]

19.3 Subp. 3a. **Minimum requirements for certification.** To become certified to offer
19.4 the peace officer preservice program, a school must:

19.5 A. deliver the board-approved learning objectives; and

19.6 B. possess or have access to the necessary physical facilities and equipment for
19.7 training based on the school's certification and the components the school teaches. The
19.8 physical facilities and necessary equipment required for the psychomotor skills component
19.9 include classrooms, a firearms range, space safe for defensive tactics training, and an
19.10 emergency vehicle operations track.

19.11 Subp. 3b. **Secondary training facilities.** Certified schools may use secondary training
19.12 locations or facilities for firearms and emergency vehicle operations training if:

19.13 A. use of a secondary training location is disclosed to the board and approved
19.14 during the initial application or reapplication process; and

19.15 B. board staff have access to the secondary training facilities to conduct inspections
19.16 and compliance reviews according to part 6700.0300.

19.17 Subp. 4. [See repealer.]

19.18 Subp. 4a. **Application review.** To certify a school to deliver any component of the
19.19 peace officer preservice program, the board must:

19.20 A. review a school's application for certification and all supporting documents to
19.21 ensure the school:

19.22 (1) provides proof of compliance with the program requirements described
19.23 in part 6700.0300, subpart 1; and

20.1 (2) has the necessary safety policies, equipment, and facilities to offer the
20.2 program component for which the school is seeking certification.

20.3 B. The board must conduct a full inspection of the school's physical location,
20.4 including the school's training facilities and equipment as applicable to the school's
20.5 certification request. The board must not approve a school for certification if a full inspection
20.6 has not been completed.

20.7 Subp. 4b. **Recertification.**

20.8 A. Every three years, a certified school must recertify with the board to deliver
20.9 the peace officer preservice program. The board must grant recertification if the school is
20.10 compliant with this part and part 6700.0300.

20.11 B. If the board determines that the school is not in compliance with this part and
20.12 part 6700.0300, the board may require a school to recertify more than once every three
20.13 years. If the board determines a school needs to recertify before the three-year expiration,
20.14 the board must provide the school notice.

20.15 Subp. 4c. **Requirements after certification.**

20.16 A. A certified school must comply with this subpart. A certified school or its
20.17 director is subject to disciplinary action according to subpart 5 for failure to comply with
20.18 this subpart.

20.19 B. A certified school must provide learning objective and subject matter instruction
20.20 for which the school was certified according to part 6700.0300, subpart 1.

20.21 C. A certified school must provide the board with any requested documentation
20.22 or information that shows the certified school is compliant with this part and part 6700.0300.

20.23 D. A certified school must cooperate with any board review or investigation
20.24 relative to the school's certification.

E. A certified school and its staff must cooperate with any board investigation of alleged misconduct by students, staff, or faculty in giving or taking examinations or filing reports or in any investigation required by the board. The staff and faculty must report any misconduct to the board. For purposes of this item, "misconduct" means cheating on any licensing examination or tests required by the rules of the board or helping another to cheat, filing a false report with the board, or obstructing a board investigation.

F. A certified school and its staff must comply with parts 6700.0300 to 6700.0401.

G. A certified school and its staff must comply with any order issued by the board.

Subp. 5. **Disciplinary actions and sanctions.** A certified school and a program director are subject to the following sanctions for failure to comply with the requirements in subpart 4 shall be one or more of the following this part:

A. a letter of censure ~~to the coordinator of the certified school;~~

B. formal or informal probation for the certified school; or

C. suspension, revocation, or nonrenewal of certification of the certified school.

Subp. 6. **Disciplinary proceedings.** Disciplinary proceedings under this part ~~shall~~ must be conducted ~~pursuant~~ according to the Administrative Procedure Act, Minnesota Statutes, chapter 14, and the rules of the ~~Office~~ Court of Administrative Hearings, parts 1400.5100 to 1400.8400.

6700.0401 CLASSROOM DISCRIMINATION; PROGRAM COMPLAINT PROCEDURES.

Subpart 1. **Procedures.** Every certified school delivering a component of the peace officer preservice program must establish ~~written~~ and publish procedures for the investigation and resolution of ~~allegations of classroom discrimination~~ complaints within the program. These procedures must minimally specify:

22.1 [For text of items A to C, see Minnesota Rules]

22.2 D. the appeal process ~~for the offending party;~~

22.3 [For text of items E and F, see Minnesota Rules]

22.4 Subp. 2. **Summary.** The ~~coordinator~~ program director must provide all ~~new students~~
22.5 ~~who are in courses taught as a part of the professional peace officer education~~ participants
22.6 enrolled in the program with a summary of the ~~written~~ procedures required under subpart
22.7 1. The ~~coordinator~~ program director must also provide all ~~faculty~~ instructors and staff
22.8 ~~members who participate in courses as a part of the professional peace officer education~~
22.9 ~~program with~~ a copy of the ~~written~~ procedures required under subpart 1. ~~Also, The~~
22.10 ~~coordinator~~ program director must make the procedures required under subpart 1 available
22.11 to anyone ~~else~~ upon request.

22.12 Subp. 3. **Complaints.** Complaints ~~which allege classroom discrimination at a certified~~
22.13 ~~school within the program~~ must be processed according to the ~~written~~ school's procedures
22.14 ~~adopted by the certified school~~ required in subpart 1.

22.15 **6700.0501 RECIPROCITY LICENSING EXAMINATION; DEFINITIONS.**

22.16 Subpart 1. **Scope.** For the purposes of this part and part 6700.0502, the terms ~~defined~~
22.17 used have the meanings given to ~~them~~ in this part.

22.18 Subp. 2. **Basic ~~police~~ peace officer education.** "Basic ~~police~~ peace officer education"
22.19 means:

22.20 [For text of item A, see Minnesota Rules]

22.21 B. a basic course sponsored by the federal government for its law enforcement
22.22 officers, including but not limited to; the basic Drug Enforcement Administration's agent
22.23 school, the Federal Bureau of Investigation's basic agent school, or the Federal Law

23.1 Enforcement Training ~~Center's uniformed patrol course~~ Centers' Uniformed Police Training
23.2 ~~or basic investigators course~~ Criminal Investigator Training Program.

23.3 Subp. 2a. **Full time.** "Full time" means working an average of at least 35 hours per
23.4 week.

23.5 Subp. 3. **Law enforcement officer.** "Law enforcement officer" means a ~~person~~
23.6 ~~appointed or employed as a peace officer in another state, or a federal law enforcement~~
23.7 ~~employee, who has full powers of arrest, authority to carry a firearm, and is classified in a~~
23.8 ~~law enforcement position by the office of personnel management, not including any time~~
23.9 ~~served in the United States armed services.:~~

23.10 A. a person appointed or employed as a federal Tribal law enforcement officer or
23.11 a certified or licensed law enforcement officer in another state; or

23.12 B. a federal law enforcement employee who has full powers of arrest, has authority
23.13 to carry a firearm, and is classified in a law enforcement position by the Office of Personnel
23.14 Management, not including any time served in the United States armed services.

23.15 Subp. 4. [Repealed, 30 SR 903]

23.16 Subp. 5. **Postsecondary degree.** "Postsecondary degree" means an academic ~~title~~
23.17 degree awarded by a postsecondary institution ~~which~~ that is authorized to award degrees
23.18 and is accredited by a ~~member of one of the six regional accrediting associations and~~
23.19 ~~authorized to award degrees including, but not limited to, Associate of Arts (A.A.) degrees,~~
23.20 ~~Associate of Science (A.S.) degrees, Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) degrees, and Bachelor of~~
23.21 ~~Science (B.S.) degrees~~ federally recognized accrediting agency or recognized as meeting
23.22 accreditation by a current member of the National Association of Credential Evaluation
23.23 Services.

23.24 Subp. 6. [See repealer.]

23.25 Subp. 7. [See repealer.]

24.1 Subp. 8. [See repealer.]

24.2 Subp. 9. [See repealer.]

24.3 Subp. 10. [See repealer.]

24.4 **6700.0502 RECIPROCITY LICENSING EXAMINATION.**

24.5 Subpart 1. **Peace officer reciprocity.** An individual qualifies for the reciprocity
24.6 examination if the individual:

24.7 A. has completed a postsecondary degree; has been employed for two years full
24.8 time as a law enforcement officer after completing basic peace officer education; has worked
24.9 as a law enforcement officer within the past four years; and has not had a peace officer
24.10 license, certificate, or the federal equivalent revoked, rescinded, or temporarily or
24.11 permanently suspended; or

24.12 B. has been employed for four years full time as a law enforcement officer after
24.13 completing basic peace officer education; has worked as a law enforcement officer within
24.14 the past four years; and has not had a peace officer license, certificate, or the federal
24.15 equivalent revoked, rescinded, or temporarily or permanently suspended.

24.16 Subp. 2. **Military reciprocity.** Military personnel are eligible to take the reciprocity
24.17 examination if they meet the requirements in Minnesota Statutes, section 626.8517.

24.18 Subp. 3. **Application validity.** A reciprocity application approved under this part is
24.19 valid for one year after the date it is approved by the board. If the applicant does not take
24.20 the examination within one year, the applicant must reapply and comply with subpart 1 or
24.21 2 and part 6700.0600.

24.22 Subp. 4. **Eligibility for licensing.** After passing the reciprocity examination, a person
24.23 is eligible for a peace officer license. If the person is not licensed within three years after

25.1 passing the examination, the person may reinstate eligibility by again demonstrating
25.2 qualifications for the examination according to subpart 1 or 2 and part 6700.0600.

25.3 Subp. 5. **Applicability.** This part does not apply to a person who has a revoked,
25.4 rescinded, or temporarily or permanently suspended peace officer license or certificate.

25.5 **6700.0600 LICENSING EXAMINATIONS.**

25.6 Subpart 1. [See repealer.]

25.7 *[For text of subpart 2, see Minnesota Rules]*

25.8 Subp. 3. [See repealer.]

25.9 Subp. 4. [See repealer.]

25.10 Subp. 5. [See repealer.]

25.11 Subp. 6. **Application.**

25.12 A. An individual is eligible to take one of the peace officer licensing examinations
25.13 if the individual:

25.14 (1) has completed a postsecondary degree and all components of:

25.15 (a) the professional peace officer education program under Minnesota
25.16 Rules 2025, part 6700.0300, before August 1, 2033; or

25.17 (b) the peace officer preservice program under part 6700.0300 after
25.18 August 1, 2029;

25.19 (2) meets the requirements under Minnesota Statutes, section 626.8515; or

25.20 (3) meets the reciprocity requirements under part 6700.0502, subpart 1 or 2.

B. When applicable, applications must include a transcript showing completion of a postsecondary degree and documentation that the applicant completed the peace officer preservice program. All applications must include the nonrefundable fee in subpart 2.

Subp. 7. Retaking examinations.

A. An applicant who fails an examination may retake the examination three times. For each retake of the examination, an applicant must submit to the board a new application and the appropriate fee. The third and fourth examination application requires the applicant to complete a remedial training plan as described in subpart 8. Except as provided in item B, an individual may not take the peace officer licensing examination more than four times.

B. If an individual submits an examination application and fee before July 1, 2027, for a fifth or subsequent examination attempt, the individual may take the examination for which the fee was submitted. If the individual does not pass the examination, the individual is no longer qualified to take the examination.

Subp. 8. Remedial examination procedures.

A. Before applying to take the examination a third or fourth time, an applicant, in collaboration with board staff, must submit to the board and complete a remedial training plan. The remedial training plan must be directed at the deficiencies indicated in the applicant's previous examinations.

B. An applicant must submit documentation to the executive director to show that the remedial training plan was completed. After the executive director has confirmed the remedial training plan was completed, the applicant may apply to take the examination.

C. An applicant must submit the following documentation for approval under item B:

(1) the training activities or courses completed; and

27.1 (2) documentation of completion from the instructor or organization delivering
27.2 the training activity or course, including documentation of the date the training activity or
27.3 course was completed.

27.4 Subp. 9. **Reciprocity examinations.** Reciprocity applicants may not take the reciprocity
27.5 examination more than four times. A third and fourth reciprocity examination application
27.6 requires the applicant to submit and complete a remedial training plan as described in subpart
27.7 8 before taking the examination. The examination limit does not apply to military service
27.8 members seeking reciprocity. Military service members taking the reciprocity examination
27.9 must complete a remedial training plan as described in subpart 8 before taking the
27.10 examination a third or subsequent time.

27.11 Subp. 10. **Application expiration.** An eligible applicant who submits a complete
27.12 application according to subpart 6 has one year to take the examination. After one year, the
27.13 application expires and the fee is forfeited. To reapply for an examination, the applicant
27.14 must comply with subparts 2 and 6.

27.15 Subp. 11. **License eligibility.**

27.16 A. An individual is eligible to be licensed for three years after passing one of the
27.17 peace officer licensing examinations. If the individual is not licensed after three years, the
27.18 individual may reinstate eligibility by retaking one of the peace officer licensing
27.19 examinations. Upon passing one of the examinations, a person is eligible to be licensed for
27.20 another three years.

27.21 B. Except as provided in item C, regardless of when the last examination was
27.22 taken or when the license eligibility period expires, an individual has five years to become
27.23 licensed after completing preservice training.

27.24 C. License-eligible individuals who completed preservice training before January
27.25 1, 2022, have until January 1, 2028, to be hired and licensed as a peace officer in Minnesota.

28.1 **6700.0601 PROHIBITED EXAMINATION STANDARDS CONDUCT AND**
28.2 **SANCTIONS.**

28.3 Subpart 1. [See repealer.]

28.4 *[For text of subparts 2 and 3, see Minnesota Rules]*

28.5 Subp. 4. **Prohibited conduct.** The following conduct is prohibited and subject to
28.6 sanctions by the board:

28.7 A. making any false material statement to the board;

28.8 B. obstructing a board investigation;

28.9 C. communicating with another person during the examination without express
28.10 permission from the proctor;

28.11 D. using or referring to outside materials during the examination;

28.12 E. cheating or attempting to subvert the examination or licensing process;

28.13 F. possessing or attempting to possess or manufacture a copy of the board's
28.14 examination without the board's permission;

28.15 G. sitting for an examination when banned from testing center locations;

28.16 H. aiding another individual in attempting or executing an act of prohibited conduct
28.17 under items A to F;

28.18 I. falsely claiming to meet the minimum selection standards for peace officer
28.19 licensure under part 6700.0700; and

28.20 J. failing to meet the minimum selection standards for peace officer licensure
28.21 under part 6700.0700, except for part 6700.0700, subpart 1, items C, J, and K.

28.22 Subp. 5. **Sanctions.** In addition to any actions provided in part 6700.1710, a violation
28.23 listed in subpart 4 is grounds for the board to deny or revoke an individual's:

29.1 A. application to take one of the licensing examinations; or

29.2 B. license eligibility.

29.3 Subp. 6. **Procedures.** Disciplinary proceedings under this part must be conducted in
29.4 accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section 214.10, subdivisions 11 and 12.

29.5 **6700.2200 DEVELOPMENT OF WRITTEN PROCEDURES.**

29.6 Subpart 1. **Procedures; allegations of misconduct.** ~~On or before October 1, 1984,~~
29.7 The board recognizes the need for each agency and appointing authority to have and use
29.8 procedures for the investigation and resolution of allegations of misconduct. The chief law
29.9 enforcement officer ~~shall~~ must establish written procedures for the investigation and
29.10 resolution of allegations of misconduct against licensees employed or appointed by the
29.11 chief's law enforcement agency. These procedures ~~shall~~ must minimally specify:

29.12 A. the misconduct ~~which~~ that may result in disciplinary action;

29.13 *[For text of item B, see Minnesota Rules]*

29.14 C. the sanctions ~~which~~ that may be imposed if a complaint is sustained;

29.15 *[For text of item D, see Minnesota Rules]*

29.16 E. the process ~~which~~ that will be used to notify the complainant of the investigation
29.17 and disposition; and

29.18 *[For text of item F, see Minnesota Rules]*

29.19 Subp. 2. **Standards.** The procedures established under subpart 1 must comply with
29.20 Minnesota Statutes, section 626.845, subdivision 1, and model policies required under
29.21 Minnesota Statutes, sections 626.84 to 626.892.

29.22 Subp. 3. **Availability and distribution.** Copies of current procedures governing
29.23 allegations of misconduct must be available to the public on request. Copies of published

30.1 procedures governing allegations of misconduct and any subsequent modifications of the
 30.2 procedures must be distributed by an agency to licensees who are employed or appointed
 30.3 by the agency.

30.4 **6700.2500 DOCUMENTATION OF COMPLAINTS.**

30.5 The chief law enforcement officer or designee ~~or designees shall~~ must maintain data
 30.6 concerning alleged misconduct by licensees employed or appointed by the agency according
 30.7 to ~~the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, sections~~ section 15.17 ~~and 15.171~~. The board may
 30.8 request copies of this data. The chief law enforcement officer ~~shall~~ must supply the data
 30.9 ~~and an affidavit of compliance with part 6700.2200, item B~~ to the board within five days
 30.10 of the request or by the date specified in the board's request, whichever is later, excluding
 30.11 Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays. If compliance is not possible within that time, the
 30.12 chief law enforcement officer ~~shall~~ must inform the board and ~~shall have~~ has an additional
 30.13 five days to comply with the request, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays.

30.14 **RENUMBERING.** Each subpart of Minnesota Rules, part 6700.0100, listed in column A
 30.15 is renumbered with the subpart number listed in column B:

	<u>Column A</u>	<u>Column B</u>
30.16	<u>5a</u>	<u>23d</u>
30.17	<u>20</u>	<u>26a</u>
30.18	<u>22</u>	<u>23a</u>
30.19	<u>24</u>	<u>7a</u>
30.20	<u>26</u>	<u>10b</u>
30.21	<u>29</u>	<u>15a</u>

30.23 **REPEALER.** Minnesota Rules, parts 6700.0100, subparts 2 and 25; 6700.0300, subparts
 30.24 2, 4, 8, 9, and 10; 6700.0400, subparts 1, 2, 3, and 4; 6700.0500, subparts 3 and 5; 6700.0501,
 30.25 subparts 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10; 6700.0600, subparts 1, 3, 4, and 5; 6700.0601, subpart 1;
 30.26 6700.0800, subpart 5; 6700.2100; 6700.2300; and 6700.2400, are repealed.

- 31.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** The amendments to Minnesota Rules, parts 6700.0100, 6700.0300,
- 31.2 6700.0400, and 6700.0401, are effective August 1, 2029.