

POLICE OFFICER APPLICANT INFORMATION
March 8, 2011

The City is currently not accepting applications for entry-level Police Officers.

Candidates for hire as entry-level Police Officers must take and pass a Civil Service examination, which includes both a physical agility test and a written examination. Both portions of the examination must be passed. You are encouraged to periodically access the City of Bowling Green's web page at <http://www.bgoohio.org/departments/personnel-department/employment-opportunities> in order to learn when applications will be accepted for the next Civil Service Police Officer examination.

The information provided below is subject to change prior to the next examination.

Education Requirement: The City's Civil Service Commission has established a requirement that candidates for the position of entry-level Police Officer must have a minimum of an Associate's Degree or have completed at least 96 quarter hours or 64 semester hours toward a Bachelor's Degree at an accredited college or university in order to participate in the examination process. Applicants must provide written verification of this educational achievement at the time of application.

Age Requirement: In accordance with Section 124.41 of the Ohio Revised Code (ORC), applicants must be 21 years of age and must not have reached their 35th birthday by the date of original appointment as a Police Officer. This age maximum is permitted by the Public Safety Exemption to the Age Discrimination Act restored in the Omnibus Appropriations Act. (P.L. 104-208.)

Credit for Military Service: (ORC 124.23) Any person who has completed service in the uniformed services, who has been honorably discharged from the uniformed services or transferred to the reserve with evidence of satisfactory service, and who is a resident of this state and any member of the national guard or a reserve component of the armed forces of the United States who has completed more than one hundred eighty days of active duty service pursuant to an executive order of the president of the United States or an act of the congress of the United States may file with the director a certificate of service or honorable discharge, and, upon this filing, the person shall receive additional credit of twenty per cent of the person's total grade given in the regular examination in which the person receives a passing grade. As used in this division, "service in the uniformed services" and "uniformed services" have the same meanings as in the "Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994," 108 Stat. 3149, 38 U.S.C.A. 4303. **No additional credit will be provided if proof of military service is submitted after an employment application has been submitted.**

If you have any questions regarding this information please contact the Personnel Department at (419) 354-6200 or inquire by email at bqpersonnel@bgoohio.org.