

Chapter 30. Rules Relating to Compulsory In-Service Training Standards for Law-Enforcement Officers, Jailors or Custodial Officers, Courtroom Security Officers, Process Service Officers, and Officers of the Department of Corrections, Division of Operations, and Dispatchers

6VAC20-30-30. Compulsory in-service training standards.

Pursuant to the provisions of subdivisions 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, and 9 of § [9.1-102](#) of the Code of Virginia, the board establishes the following as the compulsory in-service training standards for law-enforcement officers, jailors or custodial officers, courtroom security officers, process service officers and officers of the Department of Corrections, Division of Operations, as well as for public safety telecommunicators who provide dispatch services for law enforcement personnel.

A. Law-enforcement officers and corrections officers... TOTAL 40 Hours

1. Cultural diversity and awareness of bias-based policing training... 2 Hours

2. Legal training Relevant state and federal Law ... 4 Hours

~~Subjects to be provided are at the discretion of the academy director of a certified training academy and shall be designated as legal training.~~

3. Working with individuals with disabilities, mental health needs, or substance use disorders ... 2 Hours

4. The lawful use of force and de-escalation techniques ... 8 hours with a minimum of 4 of the 8 hours dedicated to practical exercises

~~3. Career development/elective training... 34 Hours~~

~~a. Subjects to be provided are at the discretion of the academy director of a certified training academy.~~

~~b. No more than four hours may be applied to firearms qualification as provided in [6VAC20-30-80](#).~~

5. A module of principles-based training for crisis intervention recertification requirements for law enforcement officers must be completed in accordance with clause ii) of § 9.1-188, if applicable ... 4 hours

6. Career development/elective training ... 20 Hours

a. Subjects to be provided are at the discretion of the academy director of a certified training academy.

b. No more than four hours may be applied to firearms qualification as provided in [6VAC20-30-80](#).

B. Jailors or custodial officers... TOTAL 24 Hours

1. Cultural diversity and awareness of bias-based policing training ... 2 Hours

2. Legal training Relevant state and federal law ... 4 Hours

~~Subjects to be provided are at the discretion of the academy director of a certified training academy and shall be designated as legal training.~~

3. Working with individuals with disabilities, mental health needs, or substance use disorders ... 2 Hours

4. The lawful use of force and de-escalation techniques ... 8 hours with a minimum of 4 of the 4 hours dedicated to practical exercises

3.5. Career development/elective training ... 18 8 Hours

a. Subjects to be provided are at the discretion of the academy director of a certified training academy.

b. No more than four hours may be applied to firearms qualification as provided in [6VAC20-30-80](#).

C. Courtroom security officers and process service officers ... TOTAL 16 Hours

1. Cultural diversity and awareness of bias-based policing training... 2 Hours

2. Legal training Relevant state and federal law ... 4 Hours

~~Subjects to be provided are at the discretion of the academy director of a certified training academy and shall be designated as legal training.~~

3. Career development/elective training ... 10 Hours

a. Subjects to be provided are at the discretion of the academy director of a certified training academy.

b. No more than four hours may be applied to firearms qualification as provided in [6VAC20-30-80](#).

D. Dispatchers (Public Safety Telecommunicators) ... TOTAL 24 hours

1. Cultural diversity and awareness of bias-based policing ... 2 hours

2. Relevant state and federal law ... 4 hours

3. Career development/elective training ... 18 hours

a. Subjects to be provided are at the discretion of the academy director of a certified training academy.