

720-HOUR BASIC PEACE OFFICER COURSE

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In accordance with Commission regulations, the Basic Peace Officer Course shall consist of a minimum of 696 classroom hours and shall include, but not be limited to, the subjects set forth below. This is the recommended sequence for teaching the course. Academies may change the sequence, if necessary.

#	SUBJECT	HOURS	GPD
	Introduction and Orientation	0	5
1.	Fitness and Wellness, and Stress Management	16	19
2.	Professional Policing	12	12
3.	Professionalism and Ethics	12	12
4.	U.S. & Texas Constitutions, Bill of Rights, and Criminal Justice System	10	10
5.	Multiculturalism and Human Relations	8	14
6.	Code of Criminal Procedure	12	12
7.	Arrest, Search, and Seizure	40	40
8.	Penal Code	50	52
9.	Traffic	74	93
10.	Intoxicated Driver and SFST	24	35
11.	Civil Process	4	4
12.	Alcoholic Beverage Code	4	4
13.	Health and Safety Code – Controlled Substances Act	12	12
14.	Family Code – Juvenile Offenders	10	10
15.	Written Communications	16	35
16.	Spanish	16	28
17.	Force Options	28	28
18.	Mechanics of Arrest	40	76
19.	Firearms	48	96
20.	Emergency Medical Assistance	16	17
21.	Radio/Emergency Communications	16	18
22.	Professional Police Driving	32	60+
23.	Patrol/Consular Notification	47	69
24.	Victims of Crime	10	12
25.	Family Violence and Related Sexual Assaultive Offenses	12	21
26.	Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) and Mental Health Code	40	40
27.	Hazardous Materials Awareness	4	14
28.	Criminal Investigation	40	51
29.	Racial Profiling	4	4
30.	Asset Forfeiture	4	4
31.	Identity Crimes	4	4
32.	TCOLE Rules Overview	4	4
33.	Missing and Exploited Children	8	8
34.	Child Alert Check List	1	1
35.	Verbal Communication/Public Interaction	16	16
36.	De-escalation Strategies	8	8
37.	Traumatic Brain Injury	2	3
38.	Civilian Interaction Training	2	2
39.	Interacting with Deaf and hard of Hearing	4	4
40.	Canine Encounters	4	4
41.	Human trafficking	4	4
42.	End of Course Review	2	2
TOTAL HOURS		720	967