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§ 1953. Peace Officer Background Investigation.**(a) Government Code Mandate**

Every peace officer candidate shall be the subject of a thorough background investigation to verify good moral character and the absence of past behavior indicative of unsuitability to perform the duties of a peace officer [Government Code section 1031(d)].

(b) Background Investigation Evaluation Criteria

The POST *Background Investigation Manual: Guidelines for the Investigator (2018)* provides assistance in conducting background investigations. The use of the manual is discretionary; except the POST Background Investigation Dimensions herein incorporated by reference described in the manual - Integrity, Impulse Control/Attention to Safety, Substance Abuse and Other Risk-Taking Behavior, Stress Tolerance, Confronting and Overcoming Problems, Obstacles, and Adversity, Conscientiousness, Interpersonal Skills, Decision-Making and Judgment, Learning Ability, and Communication Skills - shall be considered in the conduct of every peace officer background investigation.

(c) Personal History Statements

Every peace officer candidate shall complete, sign, and date a personal history statement at the onset of the background investigation. A personal history statement can be either the *Personal History Statement - Peace Officer*, POST 2-251 (2018) or an alternative personal history statement. An alternative personal history statement shall include inquiries related to the following areas of investigation: personal identifying information, relatives and references contact information, education history, residence history, experience and employment history, military history, financial history, legal history, driving history, and other topics related to moral character.

(d) Collection of Background Information: Pre and Post Conditional Offer of Employment