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# § 1955. Peace Officer Psychological Evaluation.

(a) Government Code Mandate/Evaluator Requirements

Every peace officer candidate shall be evaluated to determine if the candidate is free from any emotional or mental condition that might adversely affect the exercise of the powers of a peace officer [Government Code section 1031(f)], and to otherwise ensure that the candidate is capable of withstanding the psychological demands of the position.

(1) The psychological evaluation shall be conducted by either of the following:

(A) A physician and surgeon who holds a valid California license to practice medicine, has successfully completed a postgraduate medical residency education program in psychiatry accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education, and has at least the equivalent of five full-time years of experience in the diagnosis and treatment of emotional and mental disorders, including the equivalent of three full-time years accrued after completion of the psychiatric residency program.

(B) A psychologist licensed by the California Board of Psychology who has at least the equivalent of five full-time years of experience in the diagnosis and treatment of emotional and mental disorders, including the equivalent of three full-time years accrued post-doctorate.

(2) The psychological evaluator (hereinafter referred to as "evaluator") shall be competent in the conduct of preemployment psychological screening of peace officers. The required areas of competence, as defined in the *POST Peace Officer Psychological Evaluator Competencies* (Competencies), are herein incorporated by reference. The Competencies are contained and defined in Chapter 3 of the POST *Peace Officer Psychological Screening Manual* (2018).

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