

## **Academy Training**

It is the mission of the Peace Officer Standards and Training Academy (POST) to provide the citizens of Idaho with ethical, physically and psychologically competent, well educated, professionally trained, career oriented, motivated peace officers who are sensitive to the needs of the public.

Idaho's POST Council requires all peace officers to complete a ten week basic academy and detention officers to complete a five week basic academy. The strenuous curriculum focuses on the foundation of knowledge and practical skills necessary to perform the job. Upon successful completion of the course, a student will be eligible for basic certification as a patrol officer or level I certification as a detention officer.

Once the academy is completed, officers must complete a field training program and satisfactorily complete a probationary period of at least six months in order to become POST certified.

### **Patrol Academy Coursework:**

Professional Orientation- 7 hours

Introduction to the Criminal Justice System- 12.5 hours

Police and the Law- 44 hours

Police Practical Skills and Health & Fitness- 256 hours

Police Human Relations- 30 hours

Investigations- 60 hours

Patrol Procedures- 37 hours

Traffic Enforcement- 56 hours

Administration/Examinations- 23 hours

\*\*There is also 83 hours of pre-Academy coursework.

### **Detention Academy Coursework:**

Jail Standards Procedures- 11 hours

Detention Legal Issues- 34 hours

Practical Skills- 68 hours

Jail Medical Issues- 14 hours

Human Relations- 17 hours

Detention Techniques- 21 hours

Incident Procedures- 18 hours

Emergency Procedures- 13 hours

Physical Fitness/Wellness- 13 hours

Administration/Examinations- 11 hours

\*\*There is also 40 hours of Jail Training Manual.

The POST Academy is located at 700 South Stratford Drive, Meridian, Idaho. For more information, visit their website at [www.idaho-post.org](http://www.idaho-post.org).