

State of Florida
Department of Highway Safety & Motor Vehicles
Division of Florida Highway Patrol

Florida Highway Patrol Auxiliary

Applicant Requirements

Applicants must meet both Division and Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission requirements.

Age

Applicants must be at least 19 years of age.

Appearance

Applicants must be neat, clean shaven (moustache allowed) and maintain a proper level of hygiene. Tattoos on the neck, hands, wrists and fingers are grounds for automatic disqualification. Tattoos on the arms, not concealable by the wearing of a short sleeve shirt, MAY also result in disqualification after review. Tattoos cannot be offensive, be vulgar in its content nor gang affiliated.

Citizenship and Residence

Must be a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Florida.

Education

Applicants must be a high school graduate or hold a Grade Equivalency Diploma.

Experience

Must have one year of responsible post-high school work experience that requires the ability to deal effectively with individuals or groups of persons; or successfully completed thirty semester hours in an accredited college or university; or, served two years of active military service and received an Honorable Discharge from one of the U.S. Military Services; or, served two years of active and satisfactory participation as a member of a Law Enforcement Explorer Post sponsored by a city, county or state law enforcement organization since age 16.

Driver License

Applicant must possess a valid Florida driver license that is not under suspension, cancellation or revocation or is not about to be canceled, suspended or revoked.

Must Have a Good Overall Driving Record

A DUI conviction will be grounds for disqualification. All *other* traffic violations will be evaluated for seriousness and frequency.

Application Must Be Complete

The application must be truthfully and factually completed and all other documents required per the application or required at any time thereafter, shall be expeditiously and factually prepared and returned.

Physical Requirements

Members of the Auxiliary are required to maintain a level of physical fitness which will allow them to perform their duties effectively.

Vision

Applicant must have a minimum vision of 20/30 in each eye without correction or 20/200 in each eye corrected to 20/30. Minimum field of vision must be 140 degrees. Any visual disability which prevents the performance of the essential functions of an Auxiliary trooper of which no reasonable accommodation is possible shall disqualify the applicant.

Height and Weight

These restrictions must be consistent with the requirements found in Appendix 20.

Background Qualifications

The applicant must have a background of moral and ethical characteristics which would reflect credit upon himself and the Florida Highway Patrol. Any information or indication to the contrary will be carefully investigated and evaluated.

Drug Test Required

Upon completion of all other requirements except training, applicants must pass a drug test. This test will be administered by a facility selected and approved by the Florida Highway Patrol.

Conflict of Interest

- A. Members of the FHPA may not hold membership with any other auxiliary police organization.
- B. Any conflict between private employment and the Florida Highway Patrol or any abuse of a member's FHPA position that benefits the member's private employment will result in immediate dismissal from the FHPA. Due to the sensitive relationship between the Florida Highway Patrol and wrecker companies, employment involving wrecker companies that do business with the Florida Highway Patrol is considered to be a conflict of interest.
- C. Employment as a private investigator or as the owner of a private investigation agency may be deemed to constitute a conflict of interest and shall be cause for rejection of an applicant.