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POLICE
DEPARTMENT
Next Civil Service Exam
December 12th, 2026
Police Recruit
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Application Process

Submit Application
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Career Information Session
Information, Waivers & Practice Row Clinic

Civil Service Exam
200-Question Multiple Choice, Must Score 70% or Higher

Physical Readiness Test
2,000 Meters on Concept 2 Rowing Machine

Personal History Statement
One Week to Complete

Background Investigation

CVSA Polygraph

Interview Board & Chief's Interview

Medical / Psychological

Start Your Academy!
Starting Base Salary $75,762

AMARILLO POLICE RECRUIT

End Date: December 7, 2026 (30+ days left to apply)

Starting Salary: $75,762 plus education, certification, clothing, longevity pay

Job Summary:

After successful completion of the Police Academy, patrols assigned areas, investigates traffic accidents, performs escort and guard duties, writes reports of activities, and responds to all calls for service.

Provides patrol services on foot and in vehicle; enforces traffic laws and investigates traffic accidents; investigates criminal offenses; interviews victims and witnesses and prepares written reports; arrests and detains criminals; searches suspects, vehicles, buildings, crime scenes, and seizes evidence; interviews and interrogates suspects and witnesses; books prisoners in jail; testifies in court; other duties as assigned.

Civil Service Test Date: Saturday, December 12, 2026.
Deadline to apply: Sunday, December 6, 2026, 11:59 pm
Testing Start Time: 9:00 am (latecomers will not be allowed in the testing area)
Amarillo College, West Campus. Lecture Hall. 6222 SW 9th, Amarillo, Texas 79106
****All applicants who pass the written exam will take the physical readiness test (2,000 meter row) after the written exam on Saturday, December 12, 2026.***

Please see the attached link for practice materials. There will be a cost associated to the candidate with the practice test and study guide. Shop | Industrial/Organizational Solutions (iosolutions.com)

Knowledge, Skills, Abilities

- Must be a U.S. citizen of good character with no felony or Class A convictions.
- Must be able to read, write, and speak the English language at a high school graduate level
- Must have normal speech and hearing
- Be able to follow written and verbal instructions
- Thorough knowledge of law enforcement practices and procedures.

- Thorough knowledge of statutes and ordinances.
- Ability to interact professionally with a diverse group of people.
- Ability to function professionally under extreme duress during emergency/crisis situations.
- Ability to operate computers for data entry and word processing.
- Strong verbal and written communication skills.
- Ability to operate small office equipment, including copy machines or multi-line telephone systems.

Possible Disqualifiers:

- History of bad debt
- Illegal possession or use of marijuana or THC

Required Qualifications

Must have a high school diploma or GED. GED requires an additional 12 hours from an accredited college.

Must provide originals: valid driver's license, social security card, birth certificate, high school diploma or GED, and college transcript. Must provide DD-214 member 4 (if applicable**) prior to examination.**

Physical Demands

Must have uncorrected vision of at least 20/200, correctable to 20/20 in both eyes (eyesight between 20/100 and 20/200 must have a letter from their doctor stating eyesight is in a static condition). Each ear with no less than a 40db loss at 500 Hz, 1,000 Hz, and 2,000 Hz with or without correction.

Must pass a physical readiness test after the written exam.

Reasonable accommodation will be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions of this position. While performing the duties of this job, the employee is required to exert up to 100 pounds of force occasionally, and/or up to 50 pounds of force frequently, and/or up to 20 pounds of force constantly to move objects. The employee must also balance, climb, crawl, crouch, walk, stand, kneel, stoop, sit, hear, feel, finger, grasp, handle, reach, pull, push, speak, see, and talk. Also requires the ability to make rational decisions and person repetitive motions.

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