

Frequently Asked Questions

- **Must I be a Wilmette resident?**

No. There is no residency requirement for this position.

- **I have an Associate's Degree and military experience. Is that acceptable in lieu of a four year degree?**

No, a four year (Bachelor's) degree is required for this position, regardless of other experience and/or education.

- **I have not graduated from my college with a four year degree yet, but will later this spring. Will that allow me to meet the four year degree requirement?**

Yes, if that can be verified by August 18, 2017. Proof of receipt of a four year degree will be accepted up to and on August 18, 2017 for a four year degree earned by this date.

- **Can I receive "credits" or "points" for Military or other Law Enforcement experience?**

No credits or points are given for these items and they cannot be accepted in lieu of a 4 year degree. However, these types of experience may contribute to higher test scores.

- **Do you take lateral transfers from other police departments?**

No preference will be given to applicants from other departments during the recruitment phase.

- **Do traffic citations and other minor offenses count against me?**

They may, depending on the seriousness and frequency of the violations. The Board of Fire and Police Commissioners will make that determination.

- **What must my age be by the date of the examinations in order to qualify for application?**

You must be 21 years of age, but under 35 years of age by the application deadline, July 14, 2017.

- **What is the vision requirement?**

The eye exam requirement (far or distance vision) is 20/40 regular or corrected.

- **What is the expected duration of the selection process?**

The eligibility register will be established in September by the Fire and Police Commissioners. The top 35 candidates will be invited to a panel interview by police personnel. Several conditional offers of employment are expected to be made in 2017/2018 and others may be extended as needed until the list expires (in six months at minimum, up to a maximum of 2 years).

- **What is your policy on re-application?**

If you are not successful in this testing process, we invite you to test again the next time the department offers a testing process.