

**15.540 Qualifications for law enforcement telecommunicator -- Information not subject to disclosure.**

- (1) An agency seeking to hire a telecommunicator after July 15, 2006, shall certify to the Kentucky Law Enforcement Council that before being employed as a telecommunicator, the applicant:
  - (a) Is a citizen of the United States and has reached the age of majority;
  - (b)
    1. Is a high school graduate, regardless of whether the school is accredited or certified by a governing body, provided that the education received met the attendance and curriculum standards of Kentucky law at the time of graduation, as determined by the Kentucky Department of Education; or
    2. Possesses a High School Equivalency Diploma;
  - (c) Has not been convicted of a felony or other crimes involving moral turpitude as determined by submission of each applicant's fingerprints to the information systems section of the Department of Kentucky State Police and to the Federal Bureau of Investigation identification division, and by such other investigations as required by the hiring agency;
  - (d) Has taken a psychological suitability screening administered or approved by the Kentucky Law Enforcement Council to determine his or her suitability to perform the duties of a telecommunicator. Any agency that administers its own suitability screening shall certify the results to the department;
  - (e) Has taken a polygraph examination administered or approved by the Kentucky Law Enforcement Council to determine his or her suitability to perform the duties of a telecommunicator. Any agency that administers its own polygraph examination shall certify the results to the department; and
  - (f) Has passed a drug screening administered or approved by the Kentucky Law Enforcement Council. A person shall be deemed to have passed a drug screening if the results are negative for the use of an illegal controlled substance or prescription drug abuse. Any agency that administers its own screening shall certify passing results to the department.
- (2) Provisions of the Open Records Act, KRS 61.870 to 61.884, to the contrary notwithstanding, the applicant's home address, telephone number, date of birth, Social Security number, and results of any background investigation, psychological suitability screening, and polygraph examination conducted under this section shall not be subject to disclosure.

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