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## POLICE TRAINING IN THE USA

Training of police officers Similar to the FBI's training and selection system, there is a system of training and selection that operates in other federal law enforcement agencies. The selection of personnel in the municipal police and state police is carried out roughly the same, although there are certain differences due to the fact that each state has its own selection criteria and requirements for candidates.

So, recruiting personnel at the police departments of Louisiana is carried out according to the following scheme. General requirements for the candidate: 1) the citizenship of the United States; 2) age of 20 years (as a rule, there is no age limit for the municipal police to be set up or it is set at the retirement age of minus five years); 3) education is not lower than or equal to secondary school; 4) the presence of driver's rights, good driving skills; 5) normal physical training and psychological stability. A candidate is considered unsuitable for police service if he is at the age of majority (over 17 in Louisiana law): he was found guilty of any crime; was found guilty of an offense against an individual or a

sexual offense; was found guilty of violating any person's civil rights; used or retained prohibited substances (drugs); taking marijuana for three years before applying; illegally evicted from any military service; was dismissed from any law enforcement agency for disciplinary reasons; refused to undergo a lie detector or the like; has three or more malicious violations of traffic rules over the past five years, has been driving a vehicle after deprivation of rights. The selection procedure itself consists of the following steps: 1) filing an application; 2) a written test, including a written exercise; 3) physical fitness test; 4) special examination of the candidate's identity; 5) drug test. After these selection stages, the candidate is interviewed at the police department and, in case of his successful passage, is sent to a medical and psycho-psychiatric examination.

A successful candidate is sent to the police academy for professional training and, upon completion, is enrolled in the state. Thus, the selection procedure for service in law enforcement agencies in the United States is rather complicated, but due to the fact that during a long procedure it is easier to "sift" people who are not suitable for work in law-enforcement structures.

In the United States graduates of the academies, when they come to the service, undergo rigorous and thorough preparation, because, in addition to the skills acquired in the educational institution, the policeman must know the policy, methodology, rules, instructions and fully to imagine how to properly perform their work.

Therefore, graduates of the academy give 2 weeks to "get used to" before they will pass a special course "Staff Preparation Program". In two weeks newcomers adapt to the new environment, get acquainted with instructors mentors, who will prepare them for practical work. Preparation begins with the fact that the entire police department manages to get acquainted with the newcomers. Newcomers receive the "Practical Guide to Training Police" and "Diary-Guidebook", which records the progress of training, successes and failures, a report on the volume of knowledge gained. Police trainees visit places where they will have to perform their duties (hospitals, institutions, courts), get acquainted with their work and documentation, learn to compose documents. The two-week

training is a bridge for the transition to a 16-week (640 hours) practical training program. Practical lessons facilitate the transition from the status of a graduate of the police academy to the post of a law enforcement officer. . US police training system under current conditions, one of the most complex police systems in the United States (USA) is quite successful. It is characterized by a variety of organizational and legal forms, conditioned by the peculiarities of historical development, the legal system of the Anglo-American type, as well as the federal state system. Police forces operate on federal (FBI), regular, local (in cities, counties, and other municipal units) levels.

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