

Municipal Police Officers' Education and Training Commission
2020 Basic Police Syllabus (20190712)

Curriculum Sections	Classroom	Practical	Total Hrs	Test #	# Questions	Module
MODULE 1						
01. Introduction to the Academy			6			1 (200) (250)
a. Academy Mission	1			N/A		
b. Academy Objectives	1			N/A		
c. Academy Rules and Regulations	1			N/A		
d. Learning and Study Skills	2			1		
e. Role and Function of MPOETC	1			1		
02. Introduction to Law Enforcement in PA			28		50 Q	
a. History and Principles of Law Enforcement	2			1		
b. Ethics and Moral Issues	8	4		1		
c. Community Oriented Policing and Problem Solving	8			1		
d. PA Criminal Justice System	2			1		
e. Report Writing & Notes	4			1		
03. Laws and Criminal Procedures			119			
a. Constitutional Law	2			2	50 Q for T2 20 Q-OB T3	
b. Authority and Jurisdiction	2			2		
c. Criminal Law	36			2 & 3		
d. Criminal Procedure and Laws of Arrest	24	8		4	50 Q	
e. Search and Seizure	24	8		5	50 Q	
f. Admissions and Confessions	2			6		
g. Civil Laws	4			6	10 Q	
h. Liquor Laws	1			6		
i. Use of Force in Law Enforcement	8			7	20 Q	
MODULE 2						
04. Juveniles			8			2 (176) (220)
a. Juvenile Law and Justice	8			8	10 Q	
05. Human Relations			17			
a. Perceptions of Human Behavior and Communications	10			9	30 Q	
b. Cultural and Religious Considerations	3			9		
c. Personal Bias and Procedural Justice	4			9		
06. Responding to Special Needs			22			
a. Behavior Management and Crisis Intervention	6	2		10	30 Q	
b. Recognizing Special Needs	8			10		
c. Mental Illness	6			10		
07. Homeland Security			18			
a. Overview of Homeland Security	4			11	30 Q	
b. Citizenship Issues	2			11		
c. Assessing and Responding to Threats of Terrorism	4			11		
d. ICS/NIMS	6	2		N/A		
08. Vehicle Code Enforcement			64			
a. Vehicle Code and Enforcement	40			12 & 13	50 Q for T11 20 Q-OB T12	
b. DUI Enforcement and Prosecution	24			12		
09. Crash Investigation			27			
a. Crash Investigation & Scene Management	16	6		14	50 Q	
b. Hazardous Materials and Environmental Crimes	5			14		
MODULE 3						
10. Patrol Procedures and Operations			105			3 (216) (270)
a. Overview of Patrol Procedures	2			15	50 Q	
b. Patrol Activities and Incidents	24			15		
c. Vehicle Stop Techniques	8	14		15		
d. Crimes in Progress	8			16	50 Q	
e. Crowd Control and Civil Disorder	2			16		
f. Domestic Violence	8			16		
g. Gangs and Transient Criminals	8			16		
h. Disguised Weapons	5			17	50 Q	
i. Active Assault	6	16		17		
j. Ethnic Intimidation & Bias Crimes	2			17		
k. Radio Procedures	2			17		

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11. Criminal Investigation			53			3 (216) (270)
a. Crime Scenes and Evidence Collection	10	8		18	30 Q	
b. Interview and Interrogation	8	4		18		
c. Identification of Suspects	2			19	50 Q	
d. Crimes against People	2			19		
e. Crimes Against Property	1			19		
f. Injury and Death Cases	2			19		
g. Sexual Offenses and Human Trafficking	4			19		
h. Crimes Against Children	4			19		
i. Crimes Against the Elderly and Care-Dependent People	4			19		
j. Technology & Social Media	2			19		
k. Surveillance	2			19		
12. Drug Law Enforcement			14			
a. Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act	2			20	30 Q	
b. Drug Identification	8			20		
c. Clandestine Labs	4			20		
13. Case Presentation			16			
a. Courtroom Testimony and Demeanor	10	6		21	10 Q	
MODULE 4						
<i>Module 4 consists of classroom instruction and practical skills instruction. Completion of each Volume requires that the cadet successfully pass both the academic tests associated with classroom instruction and successfully demonstrate practical skills as evaluated on the corresponding skills checklist. Failure of a skills evaluation results in dismissal from the academy.</i>						
14. Operation of Patrol Vehicles			40			4 (168) (210)
a. Emergency Vehicle Operation	20	20		22	10 Q	
<i>Successful completion of Driving Skills Checklist</i>					20 PRAC	
15. Physical and Emotional Readiness			84			
a. Health and Wellness	4			23	20 Q	
b. Emotional Health, Stress Management, and Resiliency Training	8			23		
c. Physical Fitness Training and Testing Requirements		72		N/A		
<i>Successful completion of Final Physical Fitness Assessment</i>					20 PRAC	
16. Defensive Tactics			66			
a. Tactical Self Defense		58		24	10 Q	
b. Less Lethal Weapon Familiarization	3	5		24		
<i>Successful completion of Defensive Tactics Performance Evaluation</i>					20 PRAC	
17. Firearms			124			
a. Handgun	6	68		25	20 Q	
b. Shotgun	2	16		25		
c. Introduction to Patrol Rifle	4	20		25		
d. Stress Shooting Course		8		N/A		
<i>Successful completion of all Firearms Skills Checklists</i>					20 PRAC	
18. Emergency Response Training			40			
a. First Aid, CPR, and AED	8			26	20 Q	
b. Opioid Overdoses and Management	2			26		
c. Tactical Medicine	6	24		26		
<i>Successful completion of Basic CPR/AED and First Aid Certification</i>					20 PRAC	
19. Handling Arrested Persons			28			
a. Mechanics of Arrest, Restraint and Control	8	8		27	10 Q	
b. Transporting Prisoners	4			27		
c. In-Custody Risks	4	4		27		
<i>Successful completion of Handling Arrested Persons Performance Evaluation</i>					20 PRAC	
MODULE 5						
20. Scenarios and Practical Exercises			40			5
a. Final Scenarios (Each cadet must complete all required scenarios)		40				
<i>Successful completion of Final Scenarios is required for Graduation</i>						
Total Time	498	421	919			