Public Safety Testing

FIREFIGHTER & LAW ENFORCEMENT / CORRECTIONS
ONLINE IN-HOME TESTING REQUIREMENTS
EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS

1. **You must have both a mobile smartphone/tablet AND a desktop/laptop for the exam.**
   a. **Mobile smartphone or tablet.** Your mobile device will be used to connect to the Zoom application so that PST can monitor you while you take the examination. Your device must meet the following requirements:
      i. iPhone 5 or later running iOS11+
      ii. iPad 3rd gen or later running iOS11+
      iii. Android device running Android OS 5+
      iv. Camera and Microphone enabled for the videoconferencing software
   b. **Desktop or laptop PC running Windows 7 or later.** You will take the examination on your PC via a secure Testing Application you will download.
      i. Touchscreen/stylus is encouraged for using the notetaking feature.
      ii. The testing software is not compatible with Macs or Chromebooks.
2. **A reliable internet connection on each device.** Your mobile device and PC must be connected to the internet. Your mobile device should have a 3G+ or WiFi connection with at least 1 Mbps or better (broadband recommended). If you lose internet connection, you will be locked out of the examination. Check your speed before testing at www.speedtest.net. Data rates may apply.

TESTING CONSIDERATIONS

1. The instructions/check-in process may take 30-45 minutes. There are three sections of the exam and the maximum allotted time for the exam is 3 hours and 15 minutes once the exam begins.
2. Once the exam begins, you will not be allowed to leave your workspace for any reason. You will be permitted to take a short bathroom break (if needed), but you must be between sections in the test.
3. There is a note-taking feature (similar to MS Paint) built into the testing application and this is the only note-taking you are permitted. You can view a comparable feature here: https://canvaspaint.org/. Any attempt to take notes outside of the testing application will be seen as an attempt to copy exam information and will result in your immediate dismissal from the testing process.
4. You will be recorded/monitored from your mobile device, and you'll install a secure testing application on your desktop/laptop that will restrict the use of your computer for test-taking purposes only.
5. You must choose a testing location that is quiet, private, and free from distractions. Take your test in a closed room, away from any roommates or family members. Advise any roommates or family members to minimize noise while you are testing.
6. You will be required to upload and/or sign multiple documents in your PST account prior to testing. Documents must be received at least ONE HOUR before your scheduled exam or you may forfeit your exam seat and be required to reschedule.
   a. **A copy of your government-issued photo ID.** Your ID must show your full name, photo, and signature. Examples of acceptable ID include your driver's license, passport, or state-issued ID.
   b. **A signed Applicant Liability and Waiver Form.** (Available in "PST Exam Documentation" in your PST account after scheduling your exam)
   c. **A signed Test Security Agreement & Non-Disclosure Agreement.** (Available in "PST Exam Documentation" in your PST account after scheduling your exam)
7. **READ THE CANDIDATE GUIDE IN FULL TO ENSURE YOU ARE PREPARED FOR THE EXAM.**