

SECTION .0600 - MINIMUM STANDARDS OF TRAINING FOR DETENTION OFFICERS

12 NCAC 10B .0601 DETENTION OFFICER CERTIFICATION COURSE

(a) The detention officer certification training program shall consist of the 182-hour Detention Officer Certification Course developed by the North Carolina Justice Academy and approved by the Commission to ensure compliance with Paragraph (b) of this Rule.

(b) Each Detention Officer Certification Course shall include the following identified topic areas and minimum instructional hours for each area:

(1)	LEGAL UNIT	
	(A) Orientation	3 hours
	(B) Criminal Justice Systems	2 hours
	(C) Legal Aspects of Management and Supervision	14 hours
	(D) Introduction to Rules and Regulations	2 hours
	(E) Ethics	3 hours
	UNIT TOTAL	24 Hours
(2)	PHYSICAL UNIT	
	(A) Contraband/Searches	6 hours
	(B) Patrol and Security	5 hours
	(C) Key and Tool Control	2 hours
	(D) Investigative Process	8 hours
	(E) Transportation of Inmates	7 hours
	(F) Prison Rape Elimination Act	2 hours
	UNIT TOTAL	30 Hours
(3)	PRACTICAL APPLICATION UNIT	
	(A) Processing Inmates	8 hours
	(B) Supervision and Management of Inmates	5 hours
	(C) Suicides and Crisis Management	5 hours
	(D) Aspects of Mental Illness	6 hours
	(E) Fire Emergencies	4 hours
	(F) Notetaking and Report Writing	6 hours
	(G) Communication Skills	5 hours
	UNIT TOTAL	39 hours
(4)	MEDICAL UNIT	
	(A) First Aid and CPR	8 hours
	(B) Medical Care	6 hours
	(C) Stress	3 hours
	(D) Compliance and Control Tactics	40 hours
	(E) Physical Fitness for Detention Officers	22 hours
	UNIT TOTAL	79 hours
(5)	REVIEW AND TESTING	7 hours
(6)	STATE EXAM	3 hours
	TOTAL HOURS	182 HOURS

(c) No Detention Officer Certification Course shall be offered by any agency or institution without first complying with the requirements set forth in Rules .0704 and .0802 of this Subchapter. Any agency or institution desiring to offer the Detention Officer Certification Course shall file a Pre-Delivery Report, Form F-7A, with the Division.

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