# CHARLESTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT

### Charlestown, Rhode Island



## 2022

### **Entry-Level Police Officer Recruitment Booklet**

**Application Period** 

Friday July 1st through Friday July 29th, 2022

Colonel Michael J. Paliotta

Chief of Police

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#### **INTRODUCTION**

The Charlestown Police Department is now accepting entry-level applications for the position of Probationary Police Officer. The department currently consists of twenty (20) sworn Police Officers along with four (4) civilian Dispatchers and two (2) civilian administrative staff members. The department serves a diverse seaside community of approximately 8,000 year-round residents with a significant seasonal increase to approximately 24,000 residents, visitors, renters and campers in the summer months.

Applicants interested in being considered for a challenging and rewarding career with the Charlestown Police Department should carefully review the information in this booklet along with the instructions listed on our website and the <u>PoliceApp.com/charlestownri</u> listing.

The current application process will be open from Friday July 1st, 2022 through Friday July 29th, 2022 at 4pm.

#### **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS**

All applicants for employment with the Charlestown Police Department must meet the following minimum requirements as well as all required application steps to be eligible to proceed through the recruitment process for the position of Police Officer. Failure to meet any of the outlined qualification standards will automatically disqualify a candidate from the current recruitment process.

|      | Entry Level Applicant  |
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| Must | t be 21 years of age at time of application  |
| Must | t possess and provide a valid motor vehicle license  |
| Mus  | t be a U.S. Citizen with a valid Social Security card  |
| Mus  | t be able to pass an extensive background check  |
|      | t have a minimum of 60 college credits from an edited college. <b>OR</b>                     |
|      | e (3) years of continuous active-duty U.S. Military<br>ce. <b>OR</b>                         |
| Five | (5) years of reserve U.S. Military service.  |
|      | t be able to successfully pass a written test, physical<br>ay and psychological examination  |
|      | t be able to attend the twenty (20) week rigorous challenging R.I. Municipal Police Academy. |

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#### **ENTRY-LEVEL POLICE OFFICER RECRUITMENT PROCESS**

Entry-level applicants will follow the below recruitment outline to be considered for employment as a Police Officer.

#### PHASE 1 - EMPLOYMENT APPLICATION:

All applications for employment will be completed and processed through the PoliceApp website listed below. Applicants will be notified of recruitment progress and recruitment details through the PoliceApp system. Applicants must provide a reliable email address during the application process in order to stay properly informed of future recruitment timelines and details.

Application website: www.policeapp.com/charlestownri

#### PHASE 2 – PHYSICAL AGILITY TESTING:

The Charlestown Police Department is only accepting physical agility test results from the *Fit 2 Serve RI* company. You <u>must pass</u> the physical agility test prior to September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022. You can schedule a physical agility test at any time through the following websites:

Physical Agility websites: www.fit2serveri.com (Next Agility Scheduled for August 13th, 2022)

#### PHASE 3 – WRITTEN EXAMINATION:

The Charlestown Police Department will host a Written Examination at a date to be determined. Applicants will be notified of the date for the Written Examination through the PoliceApp website once you have submitted your application.

Charlestown Police will accept a passing *Fit 2 Serve RI* Written Examination test in lieu of the Written Examination being offered by the Charlestown Police Department.

 Written Examination:
 www.fit2serveri.com
 (Next Written Scheduled for August 13th, 2022)

\*\* Applicants with an active Written Examination certificate from *Fit 2 Serve RI* will not need to attend the Written Examination provided by the Charlestown Police Department.

#### PHASE 4 – ORAL INTERVIEW:

A limited number of candidates will be selected to participate in the oral interviews after successful completion of the prior phases. Oral interview candidates will be selected based on written and physical agility test scores. Oral interviews will be scheduled in mid-October 2022.

#### PHASE 4 – COMPREHENSIVE BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION:

Candidates from the eligibility list who may be offered a conditional and contingent offer of probationary employment for the position of Police Officer with the Charlestown Police Department, must successfully pass a series of pre-employment requirements; attain a satisfactory-average score on the battery of psychological tests; successful completion of the Rhode Island Municipal Police Academy fitness test; a medical examination, which shall include medical history and a drug screen test as well as an <u>extensive background investigation</u>.

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#### **SALARY AND BENEFITS**

#### (As of July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022)

- Salary: 1<sup>st</sup> year \$61,629, 2<sup>nd</sup> year \$74,319, 3<sup>rd</sup> year \$76,837.
- Longevity after 5 years.
- 8 Vacation Days after 1<sup>st</sup> year up to 24 Vacation Days after 15 years.
- 4 Personal Days.
- Sick Time accrued at 1.5 days per month.
- 12 Paid Holidays.
- Excellent Blue Cross / Blue Shield Health Insurance.
- Dental Coverage.
- Ability to test for promotion after 3 years.
- Pension plan through the Rhode Island M.E.R.S. Retirement System.

The current active Charlestown Fraternal Order of Police contract is available on the following website:

www.municipalfinance.ri.gov/contracts

#### **QUESTIONS AND CONTACTS**

Applicants who have questions regarding the process outlined in this booklet can direct them to the below contact or find more information on our website: <u>www.charlestownpolice.org</u>

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PoliceApp Website: Scan code 📕

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