Reciprocity and Military Reciprocity Licensing Information

There are two ways to qualify for reciprocity:

1. Complete basic police training in another state or federal law enforcement, and work in a law enforcement capacity for three years following basic training and possess a post-secondary degree; or five years following basic training if the individual does not possess a post-secondary degree. Candidates for reciprocity must have been working in law enforcement within the past six years.

2. Qualify through military police service in the U.S. military:
   
   o Four years of cumulative experience in a law enforcement occupational specialty,  
     OR
   o at least two years cumulative experience in a law enforcement occupational specialty plus a degree from a regionally accredited postsecondary institution,  
     OR
   o experience as a full-time peace officer in another state combined with cumulative service experience in a military law enforcement occupational specialty totaling four years.

Candidates should take care to choose the appropriate reciprocity application: one is for out-of-state/federal government law enforcement; and the other is for military police experience. Each application contains information that should enable candidates to determine whether they are eligible or not, however they must submit a signed application, fee, and supporting documentation so that Minnesota POST can make a final determination.

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