

**15.380 Officers required to be certified -- Officers permitted to be certified -- Exemptions.**

- (1) The following officers employed or appointed as full-time, part-time, or auxiliary officers, whether paid or unpaid, shall be certified:
  - (a) Department of Kentucky State Police officers, but for the commissioner of the Department of Kentucky State Police;
  - (b) City, county, and urban-county police officers;
  - (c) Court security officers and deputy sheriffs, except those identified in KRS 70.045 and 70.263(3);
  - (d) State or public university police officers appointed pursuant to KRS 164.950;
  - (e) School security officers employed by local boards of education who are special law enforcement officers appointed under KRS 61.902;
  - (f) Airport safety and security officers appointed under KRS 183.880;
  - (g) Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control field representatives and investigators appointed under KRS 241.090;
  - (h) Division of Insurance Fraud Investigation investigators appointed under KRS 304.47-040; and
  - (i) County detectives appointed in a county containing a consolidated local government with the power of arrest in the county and the right to execute process statewide in accordance with KRS 69.360.
- (2) The requirements of KRS 15.380 to 15.404 for certification may apply to all state peace officers employed pursuant to KRS Chapter 18A and shall, if adopted, be incorporated by the Personnel Cabinet for job specifications.
- (3) Additional training in excess of the standards set forth in KRS 15.380 to 15.404 for all peace officers possessing arrest powers who have specialized law enforcement responsibilities shall be the responsibility of the employing agency.
- (4) The following officers may, upon request of the employing agency, be certified by the council:
  - (a) Deputy coroners;
  - (b) Deputy constables;
  - (c) Deputy jailers;
  - (d) Deputy sheriffs under KRS 70.045 and 70.263(3);
  - (e) Officers appointed under KRS 61.360;
  - (f) Officers appointed under KRS 61.902, except those who are school security officers employed by local boards of education;
  - (g) Private security officers;
  - (h) Employees of a correctional services division created pursuant to KRS 67A.028 and employees of a metropolitan correctional services department created pursuant to KRS 67B.010 to 67B.080; and
  - (i) Investigators employed by the Department of Charitable Gaming in

accordance with KRS 238.510; and

- (j) Commonwealth detectives employed under KRS 69.110 and county detectives employed under KRS 69.360.
- (5) The following officers shall be exempted from the certification requirements but may upon their request be certified by the council:
- (a) Sheriffs;
  - (b) Coroners;
  - (c) Constables;
  - (d) Jailers;
  - (e) Kentucky Horse Racing Commission security officers employed under KRS 230.240; and
  - (f) Commissioner of the State Police.
- (6) Federal peace officers cannot be certified under KRS 15.380 to 15.404.

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**Legislative Research Commission Note (6/26/2007).** The amendment to this section in 2007 Ky. Acts ch. 76, sec. 4, effective June 26, 2007, is retroactive to July 1, 2004. See 2007 Ky. Acts ch. 76, sec. 5.

**Legislative Research Commission Note (6/26/2007).** This section was amended by 2007 Ky. Acts chs. 54, 76, and 85. There is no conflict with Acts ch. 85. Where Acts chs. 54 and 76 are not in conflict, they have been codified together. Where a conflict exists, Acts ch. 76, which was last enacted by the General Assembly, prevails under KRS 446.250.