

The Pullman Police Department Reserve Officer Program offers those interested the opportunity to serve as a law enforcement officer, while still working in their current line of employment or attending classes full time. The Pullman Police Department Reserve Police Officer program was established for the purpose of providing volunteer police personnel to supplement the regular police force, benefiting both the City and the reserve personnel.

Some of the requirements to be a Pullman Police Reserve:

- Be twenty-one years of age
- Possess a valid Washington State Driver's license with a good driving record
- A High School Diploma or G.E.D.
- No Felony or Domestic Violence Arrests
- Be a U.S. citizen
- Pass a written test, oral board, and physical agility test
- Pass a physical, psychological, and polygraph examination
- Pass a background investigation
- Successful completion of an approved Reserve Police Officer Academy

A Reserve Police Officer Academy is a minimum of 246 hours in length. Training in the reserve academy covers topics such as:

- Criminal Law and Procedure
- Communications Skills
- Crisis Intervention
- Defensive Tactics
- Patrol Procedures
- Criminal Investigations
- Evidence Law
- Firearms, including range qualifications
- E.V.O.C. (Emergency Vehicle Operations Course)
- Use of Force (including TASER and pepper spray)
- Ethics
- Civil Liability
- First Aid

Graduates of the Reserve Academy must then pass a state certification examination to receive

the state's basic reserve officers certificate.

Upon successful completion of the academy process, candidates are sworn in as reserve officers for the Pullman Police Department. While on duty, reserve officers have the same enforcement authority as full-time police officers. After graduation, reserve officers continue their training with [field training officers](#) in the same manner as full-time career personnel. Reserve officers are non-compensated members of the department who assist in various law enforcement capacities including patrol, special events, traffic enforcement and other duties as assigned.

If you have any questions about the Pullman Police Department Reserve Officer program, please feel free to contact Sgt. Jake Opgenorth at (509) 334-0802 or by email by clicking [here](#)

Additional information Washington State Laws regarding reserve police officers:

- [RCW 10.93.020\(5\)](#)
- [WAC 139-05-810](#)