

**Mount Vernon Municipal Civil Service Commission  
Room 203, 40 Public Square  
Mount Vernon, Ohio, 43050**

**COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION FOR POLICE OFFICER**

**Examination Date: Wednesday, February 16, 2022 at 6:30p.m.**

**Location:** Knox County Career Center Cafeteria, 306 Martinsburg Rd. Mount Vernon, Ohio  
**(PLEASE ENTER AT WEST SIDE DOOR OF THE CAFE. / RIVER ROOM!!)** Please be there @6:15pm for check in. Valid ID is required—current driver's license is acceptable. **Please wear a mask (or have a valid/current Covid-19 vaccination card) and understand that your temperature will be taken at the entrance to the exam. If you have a temperature over 100.4 you will not be admitted.**

**Applications available:** Office of the Safety Service Director (Rm. 206) or Civil Service Office (Rm. 203), 40 Public Square, Mount Vernon, Ohio. Applications can also be printed from the city website at: [www.mountvernonohio.org](http://www.mountvernonohio.org) (civil service dept.) and brought in or mailed.

**Application Deadline: Tuesday Feb. 8th. @ 1pm—No exceptions, including mailings!**

Applications can be mailed to the address listed in the heading of this announcement or placed in the mail slot of Room 203, Mount Vernon City Hall, 40 Public Square, Mount Vernon, Ohio. **Applications will NOT be accepted at the office of the Safety Service Director.**

**\*FILING FEE:** Prior to the application deadline a **filing fee of \$20** must be paid by cash, check or money order. A study guide will be provided upon receipt of the filing fee. Checks should be made out to the "City of Mount Vernon".

**Candidates must be 21 years of age and not yet attained the age of 35** by date of examination to receive an initial appointment as a police officer. (Please see the accompanying job description and "Minimum Acceptable Qualifications" sheet for additional information.) A psychological examination may be required. Any applicant with a **felony** conviction will be rejected. Statements on the application will be researched, and false statements will result in the rejection of the applicant.

The exam will encompass multiple areas essential to the performance of the job of a criminal justice officer. The cognitive section, which includes questions on problem solving, reading comprehension, math and writing ability constitute the first part of the exam (60 quest.). Various questions on attitudes and personality characteristics are clustered together to form the second section (125 quest.). Total questions: 185; Time to take exam: two (2) hours.

**A passing score of 70% must be attained on the exam to receive any additional credit. Applicants who are residents of Ohio and who have been honorably discharged from active duty in the armed forces of the United States are eligible to receive an additional credit of 20%. Credit MUST be verified with a copy of the applicant's DD214 indicating an "honorable" discharge. (Ohio National Guard service IS accepted for this with verification of ACTIVE duty participation.)\*\*As of Sept. 2012, any military reserve member (in good standing) will receive credit of 15% of their test grade with proper verification. This should be turned in with the application materials. It will not be accepted on the test date/at test site. Applicants who have successfully completed the Ohio Peace Officer Training Course OR have a 4-year degree from an accredited college or university in Criminal Justice or Psychology/Sociology (w/ minor in Criminal Justice) are eligible to receive an additional credit of 20%. To gain this credit, please submit formal verification with your application. No credit can be granted (toward the test) for OPOTA/college degree submitted on the day of the test or for police training received in another state. \*\*Total credit cannot exceed 20%. (Only one of the two possible credits can be applied.)**

**Pay Rate:** Training period, (\$22.96 hr.); 6 months, (\$23.79 hr.); 1 yr. (\$24.79 hr.)—**2021 rates\*--expected to increase with negotiations in 2022.**

Questions? Call 740-392-0775 and leave a message. Tony De Iuliis, CSC Merit Administrator (Posted: 1/5/22)