

## **Reserve Police Officer**

The Town of Bluffton Police Department is currently seeking Reserve Police Officers. If you are interested in being a reserve police officer please submit an application with our agency. You may do so by opening up the Bluffton Police Department Employment Application link, located under the Information tab, and save it to your computer. Open the saved document, complete the application and return it via email to [jobs@townofbluffton.com](mailto:jobs@townofbluffton.com) or via mail to Human Resources at PO Box 386, Bluffton, SC 29910. All applicants should include a completed Town of Bluffton employment application along with a cover letter and resume. If you prefer, a print version of the employment application is available under the Information section.

## **BLUFFTON POLICE DEPARTMENT RESERVE POLICE OFFICER PROGRAM**

The Bluffton Police Department is presently accepting applications for Reserve Police Officer. This position is an unpaid civic volunteer position designed to offer citizens an excellent avenue to perform community service and gain experience in law enforcement service. Citizens who desire to learn what law enforcement is all about are encouraged to apply.

There is no cost for the Bluffton Police Department Reserve Police Officer Training Program. Applicants who successfully complete the selection process will be provided all equipment and training at no charge.

Applicants must meet all the same requirements as full-time officers. This includes intensive background investigation, polygraph examination, psychological examination, and a physical fitness exam. Once accepted into the training program, Reserve Police Officer Training will require approximately two to three months of classes to meet the state-required 140 hours. This training will be held on weekday evenings and some weekends.

After completing the training course and passing the state administered test, applicants will become Reserve Police Officers with the Bluffton Police Department. Reserve Police Officers are required by state law to perform a minimum of 20 hours of service per month to maintain their certification and to attend all police in-service training.

This program is again an excellent way for citizens to give back to the community and receive valuable training should they desire to enter the world of law enforcement. The Bluffton Police Department is dedicated to providing the highest quality of law enforcement service to our citizens. With this program, our citizens can share with us our pride in this dedication.

Applicants interested in further information regarding the Bluffton Police Department Reserve Police Officer Program should contact Lt. Paul Gannon via email at: [pgannon@townofbluffton.com](mailto:pgannon@townofbluffton.com)

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**QUALIFICATIONS FOR RESERVE POLICE OFFICER**

**ALL qualifications must be met in order to be considered for appointment!**

1. A minimum of twenty-one (21) years of age at the time of application.
2. Must have valid South Carolina Driver's License (when appointed).
3. Must be a resident of South Carolina.
4. All personal vehicles must be registered in South Carolina.
5. Clean criminal record: No convictions for a felony, no serious misdemeanor convictions, and no convictions of moral turpitude.
6. Clean traffic record: No convictions for DUI (Driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol) or DUS (Driving with a suspended driver's license) within the last ten (10) years, no leaving the scene convictions, minimum number of speeding, etc.
7. Clean credit history and responsible credit habits: No recent bankruptcy filing during (3 years), any court liens or court judgments. All charge-offs or collection of money owed must be settled before being hired.
8. Must pass an in-depth background investigation.
9. Must be able to complete an entry level basic skills test.
10. Must successfully pass an Oral Interview Board.
11. Must be able to pass a medical examination.
12. Must be able to pass psychological evaluation and polygraph examination.
13. Must be able to qualify with duty weapon (GLOCK .40 caliber auto-pistol).
14. Must be able to qualify with all agency issued weapons.
15. High school graduate or G.E.D. College is helpful, but not required.