

Correctional Officer Testing Information

ALL Correctional Officer Applicants must pass the POST Entrance Exam (Accuplacer Test) to be considered for employment opportunities.

Vacancy information is located on the GDC Employment website at **www.GDCJobs.com**.

POST Entrance Examination (Accuplacer Test)

On December 10, 2008, POST Council adopted the ASSET and COMPASS test as the official POST Entrance Examination (Accuplacer). Therefore, effective March 1, 2016, the official entrance exam will be the Accuplacer test required for admission to the Technical College System of Georgia colleges. When an individual passes the required POST entrance exam (Accuplacer), the individual has met the state requirement for the POST certification application process. Individuals may test at any Technical College System of Georgia location, and details on how to schedule an appointment to take one of these tests are available from these locations. The POST entrance exam access form will be required to take this exam for the purpose of attending any basic law enforcement course, and this form may be obtained from the POST web site. Please be aware that if an individual can prove successful completion of other college admission tests which are provided at the end of this notice, they will be deemed to have satisfied the requirements of the POST Entrance Examination (Accuplacer). Applicants obtaining a passing score on the POST Entrance Exam (Accuplacer) may be considered for Correctional Officer vacancies.

The POST Entrance Examination (Accuplacer) consists of two sections.

- Reading Comprehension - The ACCUPLACER Reading Comprehension section of the exam consists of 20 questions which test your ability to identify the differences between main ideas and supporting ideas and understand direct statements, inferences, and applications within a literary text.
- Sentence Skills - The Sentence Skills section of the ACCUPLACER exam consists of 20 questions that test your knowledge of syntax, specifically targeting the ability to recognize complete sentences, identify coordinate and subordinate clauses, and use clear sentence logic.

Information to bring to the POST Entrance Examination (Accuplacer):

- Applicants should bring a government issued ID card (Driver's License).

POST Entrance Exam (Accuplacer) Results

Below are the minimum scores required for satisfying OCGA § 35-8-8 regarding completion of the POST entrance examination (Accuplacer test).

Reading Comprehension 55
Sentence Skills 60

Please note: TCSG may charge a fee for taking the test. The fee ranges from \$15.00 to \$25.00 based upon the school. POST has no authority to regulate this.

Exceptions: There are only three certifications that will allow someone to not have to take the POST Entrance Exam (Accuplacer test): Basic law enforcement (PBLE), Corrections Officer (PBCO) and Probation Officer (PBPO).

POST Entrance Exam (Accuplacer) Re-testing:

The re-test policy allows applicants to take the POST Entrance Exam (Accuplacer) **after 30 days**.

POST Entrance Exam Results

Below are the minimum scores required for satisfying OCGA § 35-8-8 regarding completion of the POST entrance examination.

TEST	Sub-Test	Scaled Score
Accuplacer	Reading	55
	Writing	60
	Numerical *	34
ASSET Reading 38	Reading	38
	Writing	35
	Numerical	35
COMPASS	Reading	70
	Writing	32
	Numerical *	26
SAT	Verbal or Critical Reading	430
	Math	400
ACT	Verbal or English & Reading	18
	Math	16
CPE	Reading	75
	Math	75
	English	75

* Score is used for evaluation purposes only and does not determine whether a candidate successfully passes the exam. Persons attending a BLETC at one of the Technical Colleges in Georgia are required to achieve this minimum score.

POST ENTRANCE EXAM (ACCUPLACER) TESTING LOCATIONS

POST Entrance Exam (Accuplacer) testing locations can be found in the Employment Testing Information section of the www.GDCJobs.com website.

NOTE: Testing varies by location, please contact the test location directly to get testing information, directions, etc...