

POST ENTRANCE EXAM INFORMATION

Effective January 1, 2009 the P.O.S.T. Council adopted the **ASSET** or **COMPASS** exam as the official POST Entrance Exam for law enforcement candidates. The **ASSET** or **COMPASS** exams are administered through the Technical College System of Georgia at various Technical Colleges throughout Georgia.

The **COMPASS** exam is a computer-based exam that provides immediate results. The **ASSET** exam is a paper and pencil version that will provide results in approximately 10 business days. Both of these exams measure reading, writing and *numerical skills. Applicants obtaining a passing score on the POST Entrance Exam may be considered for POST certified positions within the Georgia Department of Corrections. Passing scores for the **ASSET** and **COMPASS** exam is as follows:

Test Portion	ASSET	COMPASS
Reading	38	70
Writing	35	32**

* - POST does not require a passing score on the numerical portion of either of these exams. However, completion of the numerical portion is required by the testing location.

** Passing score as of January 2012

There is a fee of \$15 - \$25 to take either of these exams. You must take a completed copy of the **POST Entrance Examination Access Form** with you to take the test. This form is located on the GDCJobs.com web site under Testing.

Applicants may also submit a transcript that contains the **ACT** or **SAT** test scores to convert these scores in lieu of taking the **ASSET** or **COMPASS** exam. The acceptable scores on the **ACT** or **SAT** are as follows:

Test Portion	ACT	SAT
Verbal	18	430
Math	16	400

STUDY GUIDES FOR THE ASSET OR COMPASS EXAM

ASSET testing information is available at www.act.org/asset/, click on the Download the ASSET Student Guide link to view test taking tips and sample test questions.

COMPASS testing information is available at www.act.org/compass/, click on the Inside Information section For Students link to view test taking tips and sample test questions.

POST ENTRANCE EXAM TESTING LOCATIONS

POST Entrance Exam testing locations can be found in the Testing section at GDCJobs.com. You must take a completed copy of the **POST Entrance Examination Access Form** with you to take the test. This form is also located on the GDCJobs.com web site under Testing.

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

CORRECTIONAL OFFICER APPLICANTS

ALL Correctional Officer applicants must pass the POST Entrance Exam to be considered for employment opportunities. A test report with passing scores must be submitted, along with your Application for Employment / Resume to the hiring location to be considered for employment.

PROBATION OFFICER APPLICANTS

Probation Officer applicants that are considering employment with GDC may also have to take and pass the POST Entrance Exam prior to hire. Please check with the personnel office or contact person at the location you have applied to see what options are available to satisfy this requirement.