

Typical Duties Performed

Our reserve officers assist our sworn officers and have the same rights as sworn officers in every legal sense within the boundaries of the town of Schererville.

- Patrol
- Respond to calls for service
- Working Court
- Prisoner transport
- Traffic control
- Booking prisoners
- Working public Events

Our police officers can't be everywhere at all times, but the more officers we have on the road, the better chance we have of stopping crime. Our reserve division is just that, they are the extra man power our town needs without the raise in budget we cannot afford. Our reserves work for the experience and passion for the job.

"To be a Reserve is to be twice a citizen"

Do you think you have what it takes?



"The Schererville Police Department is now recruiting for our new Reserve Officer program...."

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Schererville Police Department

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Police Reserves

Schererville Police Department Reserve Program

Duty Requirements

Schererville Police Reserves are required to log 72 hours per quarter in order to maintain their certification. All training, patrol duty, and special function duty (e.g. parades) count towards the required hours.

Recognizing that reserve officers have fulltime jobs and family commitments, the department allows them complete flexibility in determining both when, and for how long, they spend on duty at any given time. Reserve officers may choose to work a complete 8 hour shift one day and a three hour shift on another. Starting times are equally flexible and determined by a reserve officer's other commitments.



Qualifications:

Age: Applicant must be at least 21.

Education: Applicant must have at least the equivalent of a high school diploma or G.E.D. to properly perform the duties required.

Background: No Felony convictions, and all misdemeanor and infraction convictions will be evaluated by severity, frequency, and circumstances. **Must have a valid driver's license. Must live in Lake County.**

Our department aims to hire applicants whose background shows good judgement, maturity, a sense of responsibility and respect for others.

Application Process:

1. Schererville Police Department Reserve Application.

Applications can be picked up at the Schererville Police Department. There is no fee for reserve applications. We are an Equal Opportunity Employer and applicants will be considered for all positions without regard for race, color, religion, creed, gender, national origin, age, marital status or any other legally protected status.

2. Physical Qualification Test

Based on entry standards from the Northwest Indiana Law Enforcement Academy

- Vertical Jump
13.5 Inches
- One Minute Sit Up
24
- Maximum Push Up
21
- 300 Meter Run
82 Seconds
- 1.5 Mile Run
18 Minutes 56 Seconds

3. Oral Interview

4. Approval

Approval by the Chief of Police.

5. Appointment

Formal oath of office and issuing of duties.

6. Pre-basic

In order to perform duties as a Reserve officer, one must first attend a 40 hour pre-basic course. This may be done prior to testing, but must be completed before beginning field training.

7. Field Training

Reserves must complete field training Before being released on solo patrol.