



ENTRY LEVEL PATROL OFFICER EXAM CITY OF LAKEWOOD

The Lakewood Civil Service Commission is conducting an examination for Entry-Level Patrol Officer through the National Testing Network. Go to www.nationaltestingnetwork.com, and if you do not yet have an account, create one for yourself. Click on “Browse Jobs” at the top of their webpage. In the search box, type in “Lakewood” to bring up Lakewood’s Patrol Officer listing, or use the website’s dropdown boxes to locate it.

The application and testing process is completed solely through the National Testing Network website. No further application needs to be completed through the City of Lakewood or the City’s employment webpage.

What to expect at the www.nationaltestingnetwork.com website:

- Completion of the application process.
- A review of all information related to the City of Lakewood Patrol Officer position, including minimum requirements, salary and benefits.
- Detailed information about the testing process for the entry level test.
- Opportunity to take online practice tests.
- High quality job simulation tests in a standardized, fair testing environment.
- The ability to schedule your own convenient test time. Tests are offered multiple times a week, including Saturdays at a testing site convenient for you. NTN also offers off-site virtual testing. If you would like to test virtually at a location other than a testing site, you will need to check that option when scheduling your exam.

Applicants are required to complete the exam, personal history questionnaire (PHQ) and work attitudes questionnaire (WAQ), as well as upload copies of their high school diploma or GED, valid driver’s license, and any documentation needed for military, college, employment, or residency credits. Further information regarding documentation is included on Lakewood’s page on the National Testing Network website. **Deadline to complete the examination and submit required documents is 4:00 p.m. on September 10, 2026.**

Upon completion of the entry level exam the candidate scores are automatically forwarded to the City of Lakewood Civil Service Commission. Candidates who attain a minimum passing score of 70% or more on the entry level exam and have uploaded required documentation will be placed on the eligible list. The City of Lakewood will contact candidates on the list and will invite them to continue to participate in other stages of the department selection process.

National Testing Network is a service provided to conduct entry level testing in a standardized, professional environment. National Testing Network does not replace the City of Lakewood’s Civil Service Commission’s responsibility and decision making in the testing process. For further information about the examination process, please contact the City of Lakewood Civil Service Commission at (216) 529-6040 or civilservice@lakewoodoh.gov.

The City of Lakewood is an Equal Opportunity Employer





Lakewood Police Department

Lakewood is a vibrant community with over 50,000 residents along the Lake Erie shore. It is one of the most densely populated cities in America. Five miles to downtown Cleveland, and with a lively restaurant and entertainment scene, the city is filled with homes and award-winning parks. An ideal location in Northeast Ohio!

Officers have 100 hours of paid vacation after the first year, and 152 hours of “holiday time” that can be taken as paid time off or paid. LPD works permanent (non-rotating) 12-hour shifts, with three day weekends off every other week. Other benefits include health care, dental plan, life insurance options, all at competitive rates, as well as college tuition reimbursement.

Employees with previous employment with a local, state, or federal government entity, or with active military service, may be eligible for additional vacation time.

Newly hired officers in need of police academy training and OPOTC certification will complete the academy at Lakewood’s expense while receiving full salary and benefits.

Full police academy tuition reimbursement is available for applicants who have graduated from an academy up to 12 months before hire.

Specialized assignments are available as soon as 18 months after hire, including:

Patrol Investigator
SWAT Officer
Hostage Negotiator
Drone Operator
K-9 Officer
Field Training Officer
Bomb Technician
Plain Clothes Detective
Narcotics Detective
Technology Investigator
DARE/School Resource Officer
Neighborhood/Community Police Officer
Northern Border Initiative Marine (Boat) Patrol

For more job specific information,
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