Open Competitive Exam #2405
Entry Level Police Officer
Issued: October 20, 2025

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Civil Service Commission of the City of Bridgeport will hold an open competitive examination for **Entry Level Police Officer**. The examination will take place at Fairchild Wheeler High School (840 Old Town Road, Bridgeport, CT 06606) on Saturday, January 10, 2026 at 10:00AM.

SALARY RANGE: $72,616 per year

APPLICATIONS: We are no longer accepting applications.

RESIDENCY POINTS: In order to qualify for residency points in accordance with Rule XV of the Civil Service Commission of the City of Bridgeport, the Civil Service Office requires that you provide irrefutable evidence to substantiate that you meet the qualifications outlined in Rule XV as a resident of the City of Bridgeport.

As the intention of Rule XV is to give those domiciled in the City of Bridgeport preference points on open competitive examinations, the Personnel Director is directed to notify all applicants that the application of the credits is a privilege subject to being withdrawn if the applicant loses domiciliary status as defined in, and in accordance with, Civil Service Commission Rule XV.

For the purpose of this Request, "DOMICILED" is defined in Rule XV as "that place where an individual has his true, fixed, and permanent home and to which whenever he is absent, he has the intention of returning."

Any individual who falsely reports their domicile as the City of Bridgeport, Connecticut, who is domiciled outside the City of Bridgeport, Connecticut, will not receive the preference points, may be prohibited from competing in any future Civil Service examinations, and will be subject to the penalties set forth in Section 221 of the City Charter.

Proof of residency is required.

VETERAN'S POINTS: If you are a qualifying Veteran of the armed forces and received an honorable discharge, Veterans' preference points may be awarded to your score. In order to be considered for Veterans' preference points, you must submit a copy of your DD214 (Member-4 copy).

SUBJECTS OF EXAMINATION: Candidates for the City of Bridgeport Entry Level Police Officer Examination will undergo a written examination with a passing threshold set at 75%. Only candidates who have passed the written examination and have presented a valid CHIP card proving the ability to pass the POST-C required Cooper's Standard Physical test at the 40th percentile or greater will be invited to partake in the oral interview phase of the examination. CHIP, LLC (www.CertifyFit.com) has scheduled dates for candidates to take the Physical Ability Examination. For more information about CHIP, applicants can visit http://www.certifyfit.com/chip-test or call 203-235-5865. **We will accept valid CHIP cards dated December 21, 2024, or later. The last date to take and pass the CHIP test is December 21, 2025.**

The City of Bridgeport cannot accept CHIP cards dated after December 21, 2025. Candidates who do not possess a valid CHIP card prior to the December 21st deadline will not be allowed to continue in the examination process and thus may be disqualified.

Eligible candidates who attain a score high enough to pass the written and oral examinations (75%) may be notified to appear at a later date for the following qualifying examinations: a polygraph test, a medical examination (including a screen for controlled substances), a psychological evaluation, and an interview with the Chief or his designee and/or a panel of ranking officers. Candidates must pass the background investigation conducted by the Bridgeport Police Department. Candidates can be disapproved for habits and conduct, medical reasons and/or an unsatisfactory driving record, unsatisfactory employment history, or financial history. A credit report/investigation may be part of the background investigation.

No candidate will be considered for appointment who has a dishonorable or bad conduct discharge from the U.S. military service. No candidate will be considered for appointment who has been convicted of a felony. No candidate will be considered for appointment who has a Class A or Class B misdemeanor as set forth in the Connecticut General Statutes.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS: The Civil Service Commission will provide reasonable accommodations for persons with a disability to take a test. If you need a special accommodation you must request it in writing stating what the disability is and providing proof of the disability. This request must be received by the Office of the Civil Service Commission at least 14 days prior to the examination date.