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## **Physical Agility Tests for West Virginia Natural Resources Police Officer candidates Sept. 30 and Oct. 1, 2016**

SOUTH CHARLESTON, W.Va. – Physical Agility Tests (PAT) have been scheduled for anyone interested in applying for Natural Resources Police Officer (NRPO) positions that are open statewide, according to Col. Jerry Jenkins of the Law Enforcement Section of the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources (WVDNR).

All candidates for NRPO positions are required to pass a PAT. Applicants should report to the lobby of the South Charleston Community Center at 601 Jefferson Street either Friday, Sept. 30, 2016, at 9 a.m., or Saturday, Oct. 1, 2016, at 9 a.m. Walk-ons will be accepted. Applicants will also be required to take a written exam administered by the West Virginia Division of Personnel at the West Virginia State Police Academy after the PAT at approximately 1 p.m. both days.

Successful applicants after the PAT will be invited to an interview Oct. 5, 6 and 7, 2016. Times and location information will be announced at the PAT.

NRPOs in the WVDNR Law Enforcement Section are responsible for the enforcement of all laws and rules of the state and have full law enforcement authority statewide. Of primary importance is the protection of West Virginia's natural resources to the degree that they are not endangered by unlawful activities.

To be considered for this position, candidates must be willing to relocate; work all shifts and be on call; and understand this is a statewide position, and as such, county of assignment may not be guaranteed.

Minimum qualifications include graduation from an accredited four-year college or university with preference given to majors in natural sciences, law enforcement, criminology or criminal justice; or, candidates may substitute previous employment as a certified law enforcement officer under certain circumstances.

The PAT consists of three parts: a 37.5-yard swim; an agility test consisting of completing a minimum of 18 pushups in proper form in one minute and completing 28 situps in proper form in one minute; and a 1.5 mile run in 14 minutes, 36 seconds or less. Failure to satisfactorily complete any part of the test is cause for disqualification and will eliminate candidates from further consideration. Candidates should bring long pants and a T-shirt for the fully clothed swimming test (no jeans or sweatpants) and a change of clothing for the running test.

Directions: From the east, take I-64 Exit 54, MacCorkle Avenue. Turn left at the bottom of the ramp and turn left again at the next traffic light onto Jefferson Road (Bob Evans Restaurant is on the corner). From the west, take I-64 Exit 54 and make two right turns onto Jefferson Road. The South Charleston Community Center is an eighth of a mile on the right.

Full details about the job description and an online job application form can be found at [www.wvdnr.gov](http://www.wvdnr.gov), Law Enforcement / Employment. For more information, contact the WVDNR Law Enforcement Section at 304-558-2784 or email [DNR.Law@wv.gov](mailto:DNR.Law@wv.gov).

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