

**ORDINANCE 2017-07**

**DOWNINGTOWN BOROUGH  
CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 3.5 OF THE DOWNINGTOWN BOROUGH CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION RULES AND REGULATIONS, “GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS FOR ALL APPLICANTS”, REFERENCED AT CHAPTER 16, “CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION,” ARTICLE II, “RULES AND REGULATIONS,” SECTION 16-3, “ADOPTION OF RULES AND REGULATIONS,” OF THE DOWNINGTOWN BOROUGH CODE OF ORDINANCES.**

AND NOW, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2017, it is hereby Enacted and Ordained by the Borough Council of the Borough of Downingtown, Chester County, Pennsylvania, that:

**Section 1.** Section 3.5 of the Civil Service Commission Rules and Regulations, entitled “General Qualifications For All Applicants,” adopted and approved by Chapter 16, Article II, Section 16-3 of the Borough Code, “is hereby amended to read as follows:

Every Applicant for any position in the Police Department shall possess a diploma from an accredited high school or a graduate equivalency diploma. In addition, every Applicant must be a United States citizen, be physically and mentally fit to perform the full duties of a Police Officer, and, prior to appointment, possess a valid motor vehicle operator’s license issued by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Applicants must also have completed and passed the police officers’ training course approved by the Municipal Police Officers’ Education and Training Commission (MPOETC) as set forth in 53 Pa. C.S. § 2161 et seq. at the time of examination. Applicants must possess a minimum of 30 college credits; except for officers hired prior to 2015.

**Section 2.** If any sentence, clause, section or part of this Ordinance is for any reason found to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, such unconstitutionality, illegality or invalidity shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, sentences, clauses, sections or parts hereof. It is hereby declared as the intent of Borough Council that this Ordinance would have been adopted had such unconstitutional, illegal or invalid sentence, clause, section or part thereof not been included herein.

**Section 3.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances conflicting or inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

**Section 4.** This Ordinance shall become effective upon enactment as provided by law.

**Section 5.** General Code is hereby authorized to make non-substantive formatting and numbering changes necessary to clarify references to other sections of the Downingtown Borough Code and to bring the Ordinance into conformity with the Downingtown Borough Code.

**ADOPTED** by Borough Council this 6<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2017.

BOROUGH OF DOWNINGTOWN

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Anthony Gazzo  
President, Borough Council

**APPROVED** by the Mayor, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2017.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Josh Maxwell, Mayor

**ENACTED** this 6<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2017.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Stephen T. Sullins, Secretary