

Police Chief Qualifications

- Must be a resident of Sussex County, Delaware or once selected the candidate will have 6 months to reside within a 40-mile radius of the Town of Dewey Beach
- Must be Delaware Council of Police Training (COPT) certified under Regulation 800 of Title 1 of the Delaware Administration Code when applying for the position
- A Bachelor's degree in Police Administration, Law Enforcement, Criminal Justice, or a related field is strongly encouraged but not required
- At least 10 years of experience in law enforcement
- At least 3 years of experience in a police leadership and administration position as a Sergeant or higher rank
- Strong oral and written communication skills
- Budgeting and inventory experience
- Knowledgeable in both grant writing and grant administration
- Computer literate
- Knowledgeable in police methods, administration, and practices
- Knowledgeable of state codes, policies, protocols, town ordinances, and statutes
- Able to plan, organize, and administer comprehensive police service program
- Advance critical and analytical skills
- Able to effectively produce and implement police operational plans for major events, policy strategies, methodologies, and tactics
- Proficient use of firearms and other law enforcement equipment
- Effective trainer for law enforcement personnel
- Able to lift 50 pounds and pass a physical examination by a certified licensed medical professional upon an offer of a conditional hire
- Must possess and maintain a valid Delaware driver's license
- Must pass a background investigation
- Must be familiar with the Delaware Law Enforcement Officer's Bill of Rights