

ORDINANCE NO. 3711

AN ORDINANCE AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN, COUNTY OF SOMERSET, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, MORE PARTICULARLY CHAPTER 50, POLICE DEPARTMENT, SECTION 50-10, ELIGIBILITY FOR PROMOTION.

SUMMARY

An Ordinance amending Chapter 50, Police Department, Section 50-10, Eligibility for Promotion, provide minimum degrees from accredited colleges and universities for promotion within the police ranks.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Franklin in the County of Somerset and State of New Jersey as follows:

SECTION I.

The Municipal Code of the Township of Franklin, County of Somerset, New Jersey is hereby amended as follows:

CHAPTER 50 – POLICE DEPARTMENT

§ 50-10. Eligibility for promotion.

- A. A list of eligible candidates for promotion to an available position shall be compiled by the Township Manager (hereinafter “Manager”) or his designee and shall be posted in a conspicuous location in the Department no less than six weeks in advance of the promotional examination. The Manager shall also advise candidates of recommended study materials relevant to the promotional examinations.
- B. Eligibility criteria shall be as follows:
 - (1) Sergeant: a minimum of five years of service as a regular Franklin Township patrol officer.
 - (2) Lieutenant: a minimum of two years of service at the rank of Sergeant.
 - (3) Captain: a minimum of two years of service at the rank of Lieutenant.
 - (4) Deputy Chief of Police: a minimum of one year of service at the rank of Captain. A Lieutenant shall also be eligible if he/she served a total of four years at the rank of Lieutenant.
 - (5) Chief of Police: a minimum of one year of service at the rank of Deputy Chief of Police or two years of service at the rank of Captain. A Lieutenant shall also be eligible if he/she served a total of six years at the rank of Lieutenant.

Eligibility criteria shall be as follows effective January 1, 2010:

- (1) Sergeant: a minimum of five years of service as a regular Franklin Township patrol officer.
 - (2) Lieutenant: a minimum of two years of service at the rank of Sergeant and a minimum of an Associate's Degree from an accredited college or university/ or 60 college credits towards a bachelor's degree.
 - (3) Captain: a minimum of two years of service at the rank of Lieutenant and a minimum of an Bachelor's Degree from an accredited college or university.
 - (4) Deputy Chief of Police: a minimum of one year of service at the rank of Captain. A Lieutenant shall also be eligible if he/she served a total of four years at the rank of Lieutenant. Additionally required is a minimum of a Master's Degree from an accredited college or university.
 - (5) Chief of Police: a minimum of one year of service at the rank of Deputy Chief of Police or two years of service at the rank of Captain. A Lieutenant shall also be eligible if he/she served a total of six years at the rank of Lieutenant. Additionally required is a minimum of a Master's Degree from an accredited college or university.
- C. Written examination results shall be accepted for a period of one year. After one year from the availability of said results, same shall not be acceptable for promotion process except at the discretion of the Township Manager.

SECTION II. Severability.

If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence or other part of this Ordinance is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid, such judgment shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of this Ordinance, but shall be confined in its effect to the section, subsection, paragraph, sentence or other part of this Ordinance directly involved in the controversy in which said judgment shall have been rendered and all other provisions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION III. Inconsistent Ordinances Repealed.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances which are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed, but only to the extent of such inconsistencies.

**SECTION IV.
Effective Date.**

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final adoption and publication in the manner prescribed by law.

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This is a true copy of an ordinance adopted by the Township of Franklin, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey.

Introduced:	September 18, 2007
Amended:	October 9, 2007
Public Hearing:	November 8, 2007
Adoption:	November 8, 2007
Published:	November 15, 2007
Effective:	January 1, 2010

Ann Marie McCarthy, Township Clerk