

1001. DEFINITIONS

- (1) “Commission” is the Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and Training.
- (2) “Chairman” is the Chairman of the Commission.
- (3) “Director” is the Director of the Commission.
- (4) “Political Subdivision” means any county, municipality, township or other specific local unit of government.
- (5) “Department Head” is a chief of police, sheriff, or chief administrator of any law enforcement agency of the state or any political subdivision who is responsible for the prevention and detection of crime and the enforcement of the criminal, traffic or highway laws of this state.
- (6) “Assistant Department Head” is an officer occupying the first position(s) subordinate to a Department Head, and for which commensurate pay is authorized.
- (7) “Middle Management Position” are those positions which are between first level supervisory positions and Assistant Department Head positions as defined in this section and for which commensurate pay is authorized.
- (8) “First Level Supervisory Positions” are positions occupied by a law enforcement officer, deputy sheriff or other employee who, in the upward chain of command, directly supervises law enforcement officers as defined in this section and for which commensurate pay is authorized.
- (9) “Law Enforcement Officer” as recognized by this Commission for certification will be an appointed law enforcement officer who is responsible for the prevention and detection of crime and the enforcement of the criminal, traffic or highway laws of this state, excluding only those officers who are elected by a vote of the people. The definition does not apply to employees of organizations or state departments and other like agencies not primarily involved in law enforcement. The criteria to determine if a person is a law enforcement officer are that he or she:
 - (a) Is employed by a law enforcement agency; and
 - (b) Serves a law enforcement function for that agency; and
 - (c) Receives a salary authorized by that agency; or

- (d) Is a legally appointed Auxiliary Officer.
- (10) “Law Enforcement Agency” means:
- (a) A private college or university law enforcement agency as described in § 12-20-101 et seq.;
 - (b) The Arkansas Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and Training and the Black River Technical College Law Enforcement Training Academy as designated under § 12-9-210; and
 - (c) Any other entity designated by law as a law enforcement agency;
- (11) “School” is any school, college, university, academy, or local training program which offers law enforcement training or education and includes within its meaning the combination of course curriculum instructor, and facilities.
- (12) “Course” is a grouping of classes or series of lessons or lectures combined to attain a particular educational or law enforcement training objective.
- (13) “Class” is a single meeting or session devoted to a specific law enforcement related subject or topic.
- (14) “School Director” or “School Coordinator” is an individual charged with the responsibility of conducting a training class, course or school under the provisions of the act. A School Director or Coordinator must be a qualified law enforcement officer or an official of a college or university, or Director of the State Law Enforcement Training Academy.
- (15) “High School” is a school accredited as a high school by the Arkansas Department of Education or a school accredited as a high school by the state university of the state in which the high school is located.
- (16) “The Act” refers to Act 452 of 1975, codified at Ark. Code Ann. §§ 12-9-101, et seq., as amended.
- (17) “Educational Credits” are credits earned for studies or courses satisfactorily completed at a college or university approved as a degree granting institution.
- (18) “Accredited Institution” means any community college, college, university, where the curriculum is approved as such by the department of education of the state in which the community college, college or university is located or the recognized national or regional accrediting body.

- (19) “Full-time Law Enforcement Officer” is one who:
- (a) Is employed by and receives a salary authorized by a law enforcement agency;
 - (b) Has the statutory authority to enforce the criminal, traffic or highway laws of the state;
 - (c) Works more than twenty-four (24) hours per week.
- (20) “Part-time Law Enforcement Officer” is one who:
- (a) Is employed by and receives a salary authorized by a law enforcement agency;
 - (b) Has the statutory authority to enforce the criminal, traffic or highway laws of this state;
 - (c) Works twenty-four (24) hours per week or less.
- (21) “Auxiliary Law Enforcement Officer” means a person who meets the minimum standards and training requirements prescribed for such officers by law and regulations, and who is appointed by a political subdivision or a law enforcement agency as a reserve officer, volunteer officer, or mounted patrol, not including any officer or deputy county sheriff employed by a planned community property owners' association, and who receives no salary or wages for the performance of duties.
- (22) “Police Traffic Radar Operator” means a full-time, part-time, or auxiliary law enforcement officer who has met the minimum standards and training requirements prescribed for such officers, and who is appointed by a political subdivision or a law enforcement agency.
- (23) “Specialized Police Personnel” are those Full-time or Part-time officers authorized by statute or employed by a law enforcement agency whose duty as prescribed by law or ordinance is enforcing some part of the criminal or highway laws of this state and their authority is limited to the facility or area in which they work.
- (24) “Division” means the Office of Law Enforcement Standards and Training.