12-9-403. Appointment and training

(a) A person shall not be appointed as a police traffic radar operator or police traffic radar instructor until the minimum standards for training requirements have been completed.

(b) The training requirements for police traffic radar operators or police traffic radar instructors shall be established by the Arkansas Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and Training.

(c) The commission shall issue a certificate evidencing a law enforcement officer's certification to operate a police traffic radar after evidence is submitted by the law enforcement agency director, chief, or county sheriff that the police traffic radar operator has met the training requirements.

(d) This section does not preclude any law enforcement agency from establishing qualifications and standards for appointing and training of police traffic radar operators and police traffic radar instructors that exceed those set by this subchapter or by the commission.

(e) A police traffic radar operator or police traffic radar instructor failing to meet the training requirements as set forth in this subchapter shall lose his or her authority to operate a police traffic radar for enforcement purposes.

(f) A law enforcement officer shall complete the commission-required training for law enforcement officer certification before being eligible for certification as a police traffic radar operator.

(g) Only a full-time law enforcement officer, part-time law enforcement officer, or an auxiliary law enforcement officer appointed as a reserve law enforcement officer as defined by commission rule is eligible for certification as a police traffic radar operator.