Arizona Administrative Code
Title 13, Ch. 4
Arizona Peace Officer Standards and Training Board R13-4-105.

Minimum Qualifications for Appointment

A. Except as provided in subsection (C) or (D), a person shall meet the following minimum qualifications before being appointed to or attending an academy:
1. Be a United States citizen;
2. Be at least 21 years of age; except that a person may attend an academy if the person will be 21 before graduating;
3. Be a high school graduate or have successfully completed a General Education Development (G.E.D.) examination;
4. Undergo a complete background investigation that meets the standards of R13-4-106. A person may begin an academy before the results of the fingerprint check are returned. However, the academy shall not graduate the person and the Board shall not reimburse the academy for the person’s training expenses until a qualifying fingerprint check return is obtained;
5. Undergo a medical examination that meets the standards of R13-4-107 within one year before appointment. An agency may make a conditional offer of appointment before the medical examination. If the medical examination is conducted more than 180 days before appointment, the person shall submit a written statement indicating that the person’s medical condition has not changed since the examination;
6. Not have been convicted of a felony or any offense that would be a felony if committed in Arizona;
7. Not have been dishonorably discharged from the United States Armed Forces;
8. Not have been previously denied certified status, have certified status revoked, or have current certified status suspended;
9. Not have illegally sold, produced, cultivated, or transported for sale marijuana;
10. Not have illegally used marijuana for any purpose within the past three years;
11. Not have ever illegally used marijuana other than for experimentation;
12. Not have ever illegally used marijuana while employed or appointed as a peace officer;
13. Not have illegally sold, produced, cultivated, or transported for sale a dangerous drug or narcotic;
14. Not have illegally used a dangerous drug or narcotic, other than marijuana, for any purpose within the past seven years;
15. Not have ever illegally used a dangerous drug or narcotic other than for experimentation;
16. Not have ever illegally used a dangerous drug or narcotic while employed or appointed as a peace officer;
17. Not have a pattern of abuse of prescription medication;
18. Undergo a polygraph examination that meets the requirements of R13-4-106, unless prohibited by law;
19. Not have been convicted of or adjudged to have violated traffic regulations governing the movement of vehicles with a frequency within the past three years that indicates a disrespect for traffic laws or a disregard for the safety of other persons on the highway;
20. Read the code of ethics in subsection (F) and affirm by signature the person’s understanding of and agreement to abide by the code.

B. The illegal use of marijuana, or a dangerous drug or narcotic is presumed to be not for experimentation if:
1. The use of marijuana exceeds a total of 20 times or exceeds five times since the age of 21 years; or
2. The use of any dangerous drug or narcotic, other than marijuana, in any combination exceeds a total of five times, or exceeds one time since the age of 21 years.