

# CITIZEN'S POLICE ACADEMY



## **“Bridging the gap between police and citizens”**

### **WHAT IS IT?**

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The Gilford Police Department Citizen's Police Academy is a 30-hour block of instruction designed to give the public a working knowledge of the Gilford Police Department's personnel and policies. It consists of a series of ten classes, held once each week for three hours. The instruction is comprehensive, covering a different area of the police department and justice system each week.

### **MISSION**

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The goal of the Citizen's Police Academy is to educate the citizens of Gilford about the operation of their police department while obtaining valuable feedback from those citizens.

### **THE PURPOSE**

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The Gilford Citizen's Police Academy was created in order to provide information to the citizens about the police department and police activity. It is further hoped that the academy will increase police/community rapport through this educative process. The Department in turn, becomes more aware of the feelings and concerns of the community from the students' interaction and input. It is, indeed, a two-way learning experience.

### **TOPICS**

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The Gilford Citizen's Police Academy covers such diverse topics as criminal investigations, DWI detection, patrol operations, evidence collection and processing, K-9 Demonstration, Tour of the Belknap County Jail, laws of arrest, Mock trial and many more. Attendees will also be required to participate in a ride-along at their convenience during the ten-week program.

## WHO MAY ATTEND?

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It is our wish to have a cross-section of applicants who reside or work in the town of Gilford. Doctors, merchants, homemakers, laborers, secretaries, salespersons, and others are encouraged to apply. The minimum age for enrollment is 21 years of age. Applicant must not have a criminal record, must complete the application process, and pass a basic background investigation.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

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If you are 21 years of age, and are interested in applying for admission to the Gilford Police Department Citizen's Police Academy, you may pick up an application at the Gilford Police Department at 47 Cherry Valley Road, Gilford, NH or download one on our website at [www.Gilfordpd.org](http://www.Gilfordpd.org). For more information, call (603) 527-4737

**The Citizen Police Academy is not intended to serve as accredited law enforcement courses but merely to provide insight to the internal workings of the police department.**

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