

**Alabama Peace Officers Standards and Training Commission**  
**560 Hour Basic Training Curriculum**  
**Effective January 1, 2022**

<b>General Topics</b>	<b>Total 76 Hours</b>
Orientation	2
Introduction to Law Enforcement	3
Law Enforcement Ethics and Professionalism	4
A.P.O.S.T. Rules & Regulations	1
Study & Practice Habits	2
State & Federal Law Enforcement Agencies	3
Public Utilities Safety & Enforcement	2
Effective Report Writing	10
Identifying Terrorist Activities	3
Safe Response to Bombs & Explosives	3
Hazardous Materials	2
Uniform Care and Use	2
Responding to Civil Unrest	1
In-Custody Care & Transport	2
Traffic Direction & Control	2
Examination & Director's Time	34
<b>Legal Issues</b>	<b>Total 74 Hours</b>
Constitutional Foundations	4
Introduction to Criminal Procedure	3
Detention, Arrest, & Use of Force Law	12
Search & Seizure Law	6
Conducting Lawful Interviews	3
Civil & Criminal Liability Law	4
Criminal Law, Title 13A	18
Court Procedures	10
Laws of Correction & Custody	3
Motor Vehicle Laws, Title 32	5
Alabama Immigration Law	1
Juvenile Offender Law	3
Civil Process	2
<b>Communication &amp; Conflict Resolution Skills</b>	<b>Total 56 Hours</b>
Fundamentals of Effective Communication	12
Conflict Resolution & De-escalation Skills	8
Mental Health Awareness & Behavioral Health Issues	16
Interview Skills	4
Implicit Bias	4
Recognizing & Managing Stress	2
Call Response & Patrol Strategies	4
Community/Media Relations	1

Preventing Harassment & Discrimination	1
Police Radio Communications	2
Assisting Victims of Crime and Leniency	2

<b><u>Investigations, Intelligence &amp; Information Gathering</u></b>	<b>Total 106 Hours</b>
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Crime Scene Security & Evidence Collection	10
Violent Crime Investigations	8
Property Crime Investigations	6
Cyber Crime Investigations	4
Drug Investigations	6
Law Enforcement Information Systems	2
Exploitation of Children & the Elderly	4
Gangs in Alabama	4
Sex Crimes	4
Domestic Violence	4
Human Trafficking	2
Evidential Breath Testing Certification	8
NHTSA Standardized Field Sobriety Testing Course	24
Traffic Accident Investigations	20

<b><u>Skills &amp; Tactics</u></b>	<b>Total 248 Hours</b>
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Physical Agility/Ability Exam (PAAT)	4
Basic & Tactical First Aid	14
Physical Training	30
Building Searches	16
ALERRT	16
Traffic Stops	16
Emergency Vehicle Operations	27
SSGT – Vanguard (Levels I & II)	48
Officer Survival	18
Below 100	4
Safe Gun Handling	11
Firearms Qualifications	24
Practical & Low-light Firearms Skills	12
Shotgun Familiarization	4
Rifle Familiarization	4