



East Texas Police Academy In-Service Dress Code

In order to maintain a comfortable and professional learning environment, the East Texas Police Academy has established the following dress code for all students attending in-service training courses.

Acceptable Dress Standards:

- 1) Agency uniform, or;
- 2) Agency approved training uniforms, or;
- 3) Standard acceptable off-duty police training attire (“5.11’s and a polo”), or;
- 4) Civilian Attire; such as dress shirt or polo style shirt, with casual slacks including denim jeans, which would be appropriate for a business casual environment.

Unacceptable Attire:

There are many forms of attire that are considered unacceptable as business wear, and *not appropriate* for a professional learning environment. The following is a list of some forms of attire that **are not** acceptable for attending law enforcement classes.

- 1) Form fitting stretch pants (leggings, yoga pants, etc).
- 2) Shorts of any type.
- 2) T-shirts.
- 3) Tank tops or see-through clothing, unless proper undergarments are also worn.
- 4) Clothing that shows bare shoulders (strapless or spaghetti straps) will not be worn unless a coordinating jacket or blouse is worn as a top garment at all times.
- 5) Attire, which reveals midriffs, bosoms, or is overtly provocative.
- 6) Slippers, shoes without an enclosed heel or a heel strap, such as clogs, mules, flip flops, sandals.
- 7) Any type of excessively faded, worn, torn, frayed, or unclean apparel.
- 8) Any types of apparel that contains any writings, markings, or logos that may be offensive or on their face, or are not in keeping with a professional law enforcement training environment.

Exceptions:

Officers attending skills courses (defensive tactics; less-lethal training, firearms training, etc.) may wear clothing that is more comfortable and appropriate to the training.

Note: When attending firearms training classes, students will not wear any form of red clothing. Red clothing and clothing items are only to be worn by ETPA Firearms Instructors or their designee(s).