

COMMISSION ON PEACE OFFICER
STANDARDS AND TRAINING

POST News

August 2026

ADMINISTRATION

Mike Sherlock

Executive Director

Chris Carter

Deputy Director

Amanda Socha

Executive Assistant

April Bates

IT Technician

Adam Houle

Facilities Supervisor

Rene Caldara

Admin

STANDARDS

Kathy Floyd

Chief

Leighton Barbin

Training Specialist

Kelly Engels

Program Officer

Amy Kiger

Admin

TRAINING

Mike Hayhurst

Chief

Dan Nolan

Academy Commander

Josh Atchison

Training Specialist

Stephen Platt

Training Specialist

Vacant

Training Specialist

Bre Gatlin

Admin

775-687-7678

See our website for more
information: post.nv.gov
and Facebook at

[Facebook.com/NVPOST](https://www.facebook.com/NVPOST)

Commission Meeting

A public hearing, workshop and regularly scheduled Commission meeting was held July 14, 2026, in Carson City.

During the public hearing, the Commission voted to approve the language included in R109-26 and R110-26. During the workshop, language was presented to the Commission to update/revise NAC 289.290. Per Commission request, some changes are being made to sample language and will be presented at another workshop which will be held in October.

During the regularly scheduled meeting, an Executive Certificate was approved for Deputy Chief Russell Niel of the Nevada Gaming Control Board.

The following officer's basic certificates were revoked:

Jesse M. Chulay, Category II and III basic certificates revoked for the following convictions:

Count 1: THEFT, a violation of NRS 205.0832(1)(a), (1)(b) and (1)(j), and NRS 205.0835(1) and (2)(a), a misdemeanor.

Count 2: THEFT, a violation of NRS 205.0832(1)(a), (1)(b) and (1)(j), and NRS 205.0835(1) and (2)(a), a misdemeanor.

Count 3: THEFT, a violation of NRS 205.0832(1)(a), (1)(b) and (1)(j), and NRS 205.0835(1) and (2)(a), a misdemeanor.

Alan Islas, Category III basic certificate revoked for the conviction/plea of guilty to a Felony:

Count I: DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE (Category B Felony – NRS 484C.110, 484C.400, 484C.105)

Luis Sencion-Gonzalez, Category III basic certificate revoked for the conviction/plea of guilty to a Felony:

Count I: LURE OR ATTEMPT TO LURE CHILD OR MENTALLY ILL PERSON WITH USE OF COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY TO ENGAGE IN SEXUAL CONDUCT, a violation of NRS 201.560.4A, a Category B Felony.

Alizabeth L. Vasques, Category III basic certificate revoked for the conviction/plea of guilty to a Felony:

COUNT I: FURNISHING A PORTABLE TELECOMMUNICATION DEVICE TO A STATE PRISONER (a Category E Felony, in violation of NRS 212.165 (1)).

The October Commission meeting will be Monday, October 26, 2026, starting at 9:30 a.m. and will be held at the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department K9 Bureau, 2725 W. Pyle Ave., Las Vegas, NV 89183.

STATE OF NEVADA

COMMISSION ON PEACE OFFICER
STANDARDS AND TRAINING

POST News

August 2026

NRS/NAC & POST

Regulations

Certification from POST
requirements.

[NRS 289.550](#)

[Reciprocity Eligibility](#)

[Requirements](#)

[Nevada Reciprocity
Training Course](#)

[Peace Officer Defini-
tions by Category.](#)

Minimum standards for
appointment

[NAC 289.110](#)

Staff Updates from POST

Congratulations to Cam Carmichael and all of our best wishes in his retirement. Taking his position in Audits and Compliance is Leighton Barbin. The Standards Division looks forward to Leighton being on board and we know he'll do great! Leighton's contact phone number is 775-687-3348 and his email is lbarbin@post.state.nv.us in case you need to reach him with questions or information regarding audits, compliance and course certifications.

News from the Academy

For the 2026-02 Academy, we have implemented several updates and changes. One of these was the addition of a **Family Orientation Day**, which took place at the end of the first week. Family members of cadets were invited to come to the Academy and learn more about the academy experience. We were pleased to have a number of family members attend. During the orientation, families were given an overview of the physical and mental demands their Cadets will experience throughout the Academy. They were also provided a tour of the dormitories, observed a Cadet formation, and viewed a presentation highlighting the training, expectations, and challenges their Cadets will face during their time at the Academy. The Family Orientation was well received by both the Cadets and their families. Based on the positive feedback, this will become a standard part of future Academy classes.

As a reminder to all agencies sending Cadets to the Academy, please ensure your Cadets are physically prepared before they arrive. The POST Physical Readiness Test (PPRT) is a minimum entrance standard and should not be used as the primary indicator of a Cadet's overall fitness. We have had several Cadets who successfully passed the PPRT with the minimum qualifying score of 80% but are struggling to meet the daily physical demands of Academy training. Arriving in good physical condition will greatly improve a Cadet's ability to succeed.

We are also excited to announce that the Academy will soon have our own firearms range. This will allow us to integrate firearms instruction throughout the entire Academy rather than limiting it to a single training block. By incorporating firearms training into the curriculum over the duration of the Academy, Cadets will have increased opportunities to develop and reinforce their skills through consistent practice and instruction.

Thank you to all of our partner agencies for your continued support and commitment to preparing the next generation of Nevada peace officers.

Dan Nolan
Academy Commander

This communication is intended for all of Nevada Law Enforcement. Please forward this document or make it available to anyone for which the material may be of interest. This document is also available from the Home page of <http://post.nv.gov>

We Are Hiring!

POST is currently accepting applications to fill a full-time Training Specialist position. This position is responsible for assisting in researching, developing, updating, and delivering POST-approved curriculum for basic and advanced law enforcement training to ensure all training remains compliant with legal requirements, NAC mandates, industry standards, and best practices. The incumbent develops and evaluates lesson plans and curriculum; supervises and evaluates instructors for instructional content, delivery, and performance; and develops and delivers specialized and advanced courses that enhance the basic academy curriculum and support professional development, leadership, management, and supervision. For more information, or to apply, please visit post.nv.gov.

CAT I Academy Updates

Graduation: 11/19/2026 @ 1300

For more information please visit our [CAT I Academy Dates and Forms](#) page. If you have any questions, please reach out to POSTTraining@post.state.nv.us

RECIPROCITY PROCESS CHANGES

Effective immediately, individuals cannot enroll in the Reciprocity Course unless they are hired by an agency. Once hired, the employing agency will enroll the individual. It is recommended verification be completed by enrollment to ensure eligibility.

As a reminder: Certificate of completions are valid for 2 years from the date they completed the course. These certificates will continue to be accepted from individuals that have previously completed the course. If you have any questions regarding reciprocity, contact Kelly Engels at k.engels@post.state.nv.us or Chief Kathy Floyd at kfloyd@post.state.nv.us.

NATIONAL DECERTIFICATION INDEX (NDI)

An additional resource for all agencies to utilize during the background process is the National Decertification Index (NDI). IADLEST created this index as a national database for revoked or suspended peace officers.

A recent change to POST statutes includes NRS 289.555(2) which states "a person is not qualified to serve as a category I, II or III peace officer, regardless of whether the person has had his or her civil rights restored, if the person has been: (2) Reported to the National Decertification Index of the International Association of Directors of Law Enforcement Standards and Training or an equivalent database maintained for the purpose of serving as a national registry of certificate or license revocation actions relating to peace officer misconduct." Therefore, as part of the background process, BEFORE an individual is hired, the agency should be checking NDI to confirm their candidate has not been entered by Nevada, or any other state. **If any individual has been reported to NDI by any state, for any reason, they are not eligible for hiring in Nevada.** NV POST is required, by statute, to enter all revoked peace officers into NDI, as are several other states in the country. If your agency does not have anyone with access to this system, please go to the IADLEST website: <https://www.iadlest.org/>, click in the NDI box and request access to the NDI. If your agency has enrolled in NDI, but you would like an updated list of contacts with access to the system, please contact Chief Kathy Floyd at kfloyd@post.state.nv.us. It is recommended your list of contacts be reviewed annually, and a list of contacts that need to be deleted can be sent to Chief Floyd.

Reciprocity PPRT Testing Dates (South)

If your agency needs a Reciprocity PPRT, please contact Leighton Barbin at lbarbin@post.state.nv.us or call (775) 687-3348 to schedule.

Training Portal

The Nevada Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training Acadis Portal is live. You should have received an email to set up your portal account. If you have not, please email poststandards@post.state.nv.us with your name and employing agency and we will arrange to get you set up. The following Advanced Officer courses are available in the new portal. Your agency POST point of contact will enroll you.

- P.O.S.T. Annual Compliance Training Course
- Peace Officers Who Regularly Investigate Cases of Sexual Abuse or Sexual Exploitation of Children
- Domestic Violence Training (P0000460)
- Dog Related Incidents and Encounters (P0000490)
- PPRT Proctor Course
- PPRT Administrator Certification Course (P0000026)

All POST online academies (Reciprocity, CAT II Hybrid, Recertification, etc.) are available now. Enrollment forms can be found under the FORMS tab.

POST 2026 Advanced Officer Training Calendar

September 22-23: Nevada POST Peer Support Training

November 2-13: First Line Supervisor Course (In Elko)

December 1-2: Background Investigator Course

December 7-10: Basic Instructor Development/ AB 478 Instructor Course

To register, please see our Advanced Officer Registration form on our website or click the link.

[Advanced Officer Registration Form](#)

Reciprocity PPRT Testing Dates (North)

September 14th, 2026 @0700

November 2nd, 2026 @ 0700

January 5th, 2027 @ 0800

For inquiries, or to schedule an employee for the Reciprocity PPRT, please contact Bre Gatlin at bgatlin@post.state.nv.us or at 775-687-3310.

Reporting of Investigations Pursuant to NRS 289.585

Pursuant to NRS 289.585, a law enforcement agency shall:

1. Immediately notify the Commission if a peace officer employed by the agency
 - (a) is charged with a crime for which the regulations adopted by the Commission authorize the Commission to revoke or suspend the certificate of the peace officer; or
 - (b) Resigns from employment or otherwise separates from employment with the agency while an investigation concerning alleged misconduct is pending; and
2. If a peace officer resigns or otherwise separates from employment while an investigation concerning alleged misconduct is pending, provide to the Commission a written summary of the outcome of the investigation as soon as practicable after completing the investigation.

Agencies are ONLY required to report pursuant to the requirement above.

In order to assist agencies with compliance with this new statute, POST has created a form that the employing agency can fill out and submit to Chief Kathy Floyd at kfloyd@post.state.nv.us. The form can be found under the FORMS tab on the POST website.

If you have any questions regarding this statute or the reporting process, contact Chief Kathy Floyd.

Nevada POST Peer Support Training

2-Day Professional Development Course for Law Enforcement Personnel

This free comprehensive 2-day training is designed to prepare law enforcement professionals to serve as effective Peer Support Team members within their agencies. Participants will gain practical skills, legal knowledge, and foundational crisis intervention techniques necessary to provide confidential peer-based support to fellow officers and staff. Participants will gain knowledge in how to develop agency wellness policy. This course is Nevada POST certified.

Training Dates & Times

September 22–23, 2026

0800 – 1700 Hours

Location: Nevada POST 5587 Wa Pai Shone Ave Carson City Nevada 89701 (Classroom 2)

Training Topics Include:

- Foundations of Law Enforcement Peer Support
- The Role and Responsibilities of a Peer Supporter
- Active Listening and Communication Techniques
- Crisis Intervention and Emotional Support Skills
- Confidentiality and Legal/Ethical Considerations
- Recognizing Stress, Trauma, and Burnout in First Responders
- Suicide Awareness and Referral Resources
- Breakout Sessions and Scenario-Based Peer Support Exercises
- Team Development and Program Implementation
- Introduction to Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM) Debriefings

Who Should Attend?

- Law Enforcement Officers
- Supervisors and Command Staff
- Dispatch Personnel
- Corrections Personnel
- Existing or Prospective Peer Support Team Members

Course Objectives

Upon completion of this training, participants will:

Understand the principles and structure of effective peer support programs

Develop practical peer support and communication skills

Recognize legal and ethical boundaries surrounding peer support

Learn how to provide support following traumatic or critical incidents

Gain introductory knowledge of Critical Incident Stress Management debriefings

Course Registration link: [Advanced Officer Registration Form](#)