VISUAL STANDARDS

The VPD's basic qualifications for sworn officers and uniformed special municipal constables include certain visual assessment and hearing standards.

Visual Assessment Standards for Police Officers

- uncorrected vision: 20/40 with both eyes open, with one eye no worse than 20/100
- corrected vision: 20/20 with both eyes open, with one eye no worse than 20/40
- colour vision: colour vision should be normal (i.e. the applicant must pass the Farnsworth D-15 test)
- peripheral vision: 150 continuous degrees along the horizontal meridian binocularly, and 30 degrees above and below the fixation point
- binocular vision: stereoacuity of 100 seconds of arc or better (i.e. pass the TITUMS or RANDOT Circles test)

If a candidate does not meet the uncorrected vision requirements, he or she may participate in a "mini-selection" process, which includes the written exam, fitness testing, questionnaire, and intake interview. At the conclusion of the interview, the candidate will be advised of his or her competitiveness as a candidate. If deemed to be competitive in the process, the candidate will have to consult with his or her ophthalmologist to explore available options in meeting the visual assessment standards.

If you have questions about whether or not your visual assessment meets our standard, you should download the VPD's Visual Assessment Form and consult with your eye care professional.

Visual Assessment Standards for Uniformed Special Municipal Constables

Special Municipal Constable positions require:

- vision corrected to 20/20
- colour vision: colour vision should be normal (i.e. the applicant must pass the Farnsworth D-15 test)
- binocular vision: stereoacuity of 100 seconds of arc or better (i.e. pass the TITUMS or RANDOT circles test)

Hearing Standards

We require all applicants to have a hearing standard of a loss no greater than 30 db in both ears in the 500-3000 Hz range.