Become A Trooper
Basic Eligibility Requirements

- At least 21 years of age (upon Academy graduation).
- A citizen of the United States and resident of Missouri (by beginning of training).
- Possess high school graduate or equivalent, recognized certificate.
- Possess a minimum of 30 college credit hours from an accredited college/university OR served in any component of the United States Armed Forces, including National Guard, for a minimum of two years, with an honorable discharge if separated, OR a minimum of two years’ experience as a full-time POST certified peace officer when recruit training begins.
- Troopers may have tattoos or brands as long as they meet two requirements:
  1. The tattoos or brands cannot depict or support criminal behavior, drug usage, nudity, profanity, promiscuity, subversive groups, bigotry, etc.
  2. Tattoos/brands cannot be located on the head, neck, hands, wrists, or any part of the body which would be visible during movements in the performance of their duties while wearing any official uniform or civilian attire. Troopers with tattoos on the arms that would be visible in the class B uniform (short sleeves) will wear the class A uniform (long sleeves).

Trooper Selection Process

The pre-employment selection process for trooper includes written, fitness, polygraph, medical, and psychological tests, as well as a background investigation. For a detailed explanation of each phase, please visit www.motrooper.com or call 1-800-796-7000.

Training

The Missouri State Highway Patrol provides approximately six months of Academy training to prepare troopers for their careers.

Career Opportunities

Missouri State Highway Patrol troopers promote safety and enforce traffic laws throughout the state. Other opportunities include criminal investigation, patrolling the state’s waterways, enforcing gambling laws, serving as a bomb technician, special weapons and tactics officer, pilot, and more. Are YOU up to the challenge?

To apply or for more information, visit www.motrooper.com or call a recruiter at 1-800-796-7000.

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