

ORDINANCE NO. 269

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The Board of Supervisors of the County of Mariposa do ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. Purpose.

This ordinance is adopted for the purpose of establishing rules and policies governing the qualifications and appointment and training of an undersheriff and deputies in the office of Sheriff-Coroner of the County of Mariposa, both for the present and for the future, to the end that the office of Sheriff-Coroner will be staffed, as soon as reasonably possible, by personnel who meet the basic standards for the selection and training of peace officers, established by the California Commission on Peace Officers' Standards and Training, and who are qualified to discharge all duties of the combined offices of Sheriff and Coroner. This ordinance is not to be construed to imply any criticism of the manner in which the duties of the office have been or are now being met. This ordinance is adopted, however, in recognition of the heavy responsibilities now placed upon peace officers and coroners by reason of population increases, and legal and scientific and other changes which have occurred in recent years, and in recognition of the fact that only properly qualified and trained personnel can adequately meet these responsibilities of the office of Sheriff-Coroner of Mariposa County, both now and in the future.

SECTION 2. Qualifications of Deputies.

No person shall be eligible for appointment as a full-time or part-time deputy coroner or deputy sheriff of the County of Mariposa, either with or without compensation, unless such person meets all of the following requirements as to education, physical condition, age, citizenship, residence, character,

1 permits and licenses, and such other qualifications as may be
2 legally required under established policy of the Sheriff-Coroner
3 or by resolution of the Board of Supervisors, to wit:

4 A. Education. Graduation from high school, or
5 the passing of a high school level U.S.A.F.I. or General Educa-
6 tional Development Test approved by the Board or the Sheriff.

7 B. Physical condition. Good health, with no
8 disabling defects or conditions; not less than 5 feet 9 inches
9 in height without shoes, and with weight proportioned to height;
10 normal vision not worse than 20/40 correctable to 20/20; ability
11 to pass a physical examination by a doctor to be designated by
12 the County of Mariposa.

13 C. Age. Not less than twenty-three nor more than
14 thirty-nine years of age at time of appointment; provided, how-
15 ever, that one who is over thirty-nine years of age may be
16 appointed by written permission of the Board of Supervisors if the
17 Board finds that such person substantially meets the requirements
18 of this section, or of any more strict policy of the Sheriff,
19 or more strict requirements established by resolution of the
20 Board, and is qualified by education, by mental and physical
21 condition, and by experience, to discharge the duties to be
22 required by reason of the appointment.

23 D. Citizenship. Citizen of the United States.

24 E. Residence. Residence in Mariposa County is
25 required within a reasonable time after the appointment.

26 F. Character. Good moral character, with no
27 criminal background or record. Fingerprinting and character
28 investigation are required prior to appointment.

29 G. Permit. Restricted Radio Telephone Operator's
30 permit, as issued by the Federal Communications Commission, must
31 be obtained at time of appointment.
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1 H. License. Possession of a valid California
2 Driver's License at time of appointment is required.

3 SECTION 3. Training of Deputies and Under Sheriff.

4 Within 18 months after appointment, every newly
5 appointed deputy shall be required to attend and successfully
6 complete a 200-hour basic police school which is approved by the
7 California Commission on Peace Officers Standards and Training, or
8 such other formal and in-service police or coroner's training
9 programs as the Sheriff or the Board may prescribe. Every deputy
10 and the under-sheriff shall be entitled to receive salary, mileage
11 and other actual and necessary expenses, provided by law, while
12 attending any school or training session which is required by
13 virtue of this ordinance, or policy of the office, or resolution
14 or ordinance of the Board. The Sheriff-Coroner or the Board may
15 require deputies or the under-sheriff to attend police schools
16 and training programs in addition to those above mentioned. Basic
17 training for any newly appointed deputy may be waived in the event
18 such deputy has previously had training or experience, or a
19 combination of both, which is equivalent to the 200-hour basic
20 police school instruction above mentioned.

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22 SECTION 4. Qualifications of Under-Sheriff.

23 In addition to the qualifications required of
24 deputies under Section 2 above, a person shall have the following
25 qualifications in order to be eligible for appointment as under-
26 sheriff, to wit:

27 A. Not less than five years of law enforcement
28 experience, including at least two years in a supervisory or
29 administrative position. Supplementary training in criminology
30 on a college level may be substituted for one year of law enforce-
31 ment experience.

1 B. Thorough knowledge of applicable civil and
2 criminal law and procedure, accepted practices and procedures of
3 police science and administration (including investigation,
4 search and seizure of evidence, identification and modus operandi),
5 and a working knowledge of the organization, function, responsi-
6 bilities and procedures of the office of Sheriff-Coroner.

7 C. Demonstrated ability to analyze situations and
8 adopt quick, effective, lawful and reasonable courses of action.

9 D. Ability to work harmoniously with other County,
10 State and Federal agencies and departments.

11 E. Ability to assist the Sheriff-Coroner with all
12 duties of the office, and to act for the Sheriff-Coroner in his
13 absence.

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15 SECTION 5. Applicability.

16 The provisions of this ordinance do not apply to a
17 person summoned to serve on a posse comitatus.

18 SECTION 6. Additional Qualifications for appointment
19 and Training of Deputies and Undersheriff.

20 Except as otherwise provided by law, the Board of
21 Supervisors shall have the right to change the provisions herein-
22 above provided, regarding the qualifications for appointment and
23 the training of deputies and the undersheriff, by resolution duly
24 adopted by majority vote and spread on the minutes of the Board.

25 PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the
26 County of Mariposa this 8th day of February, 1966, by the follow-
27 ing vote:

28 AYES: McGregor, Hurlbert, Gordo, Mecham, Schatz
29 NOES: None
30 NOT VOTING: None
31 ABSENT: None

32 ATTEST:
Gabrielle Wilson
County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk
of the Board of Supervisors

Henry F. Sanchez
Chairman of the Board of Super-
visors of the County of
Mariposa, State of California