

As we all know, a career in law enforcement is a demanding, high-stress job that can be physically, mentally and emotionally draining. Due to the current climate, departments no longer have the vast applicant pool we once had, with some locations getting 80 to 90% fewer applications than they did 5 years ago. As a result, the hiring and selection process has become even more critical when identifying someone to bring on board.

To help agencies with their personnel staffing needs, quality entry-level and promotional tests will identify traits that are proven indicators of job success, ensuring that only the most qualified candidates are considered – significantly reducing unnecessary time and expenses associated with more costly portions of the testing process (interviews, background checks, etc.).

To assist agencies in Maryland with their new hire and promotional testing processes, the Maryland Chiefs of Police Association offers the following exams, developed by Stanard & Associates, Inc.

The National Police Officer Selection Test	The National Dispatcher Selection Test	The National First and Second Line Supervisor Tests
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Backed up by extensive research and development, the POST is the official test of 29 state Police Chief Associations and complies with all ADA requirements. This cost-effective tool is easy to administer and provides the ability to efficiently screen candidates during the first stage in the hir- ing process. Results have been associated with higher training academy performance as well as performance on the job.	As the first point of contact in an emer- gency, dispatchers play a critical role in keeping the public safe. Developed in accordance with professional, ADA and EEOC Testing Guidelines, the NDST is a low-cost screening tool which objectively measures skill level in reading com- prehension, listening, problem solving, prioritizing and multi-tasking.	Both of these tests were designed with extensive research and development, with input from over 50 police chiefs and commanders. The NFLST and NSLST identify the knowledge required to competently perform supervisory duties for corporal, sergeant, lieutenant and captain positions.

For more than 40 years, Stanard & Associates, Inc. has helped public safety agencies apply the latest science to their hiring and promotional testing processes. They have aided over 2,000 agencies nationwide in identifying the most qualified candidates for their open positions.

If your department is looking for a research-based selection or promotional test, as a long-time partner with Stanard, we encourage you to check out what they have to offer. As an added benefit, if you decide that their tools fit your needs, the purchase of these exams also helps support the Maryland Chiefs of Police Association.



To place an order for test materials, please contact the MCPA at 667-314-3216 or jnewnan@marylandchiefs.org.

For general information or questions on the exams, please contact <u>Stanard & Associates, Inc.</u> at 800-367-6919 or <u>sales@stanard.com</u>.

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(Please forward this information to the person in charge of the hiring and promotional testing processes).