

**BOROUGH OF MENDHAM**  
**MORRIS COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**ORDINANCE #04-2025**

**ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MENDHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER 38, POLICE DEPARTMENT, OF THE BOROUGH CODE TO MODIFY THE POLICE OFFICER EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Mendham Police Department's Officer-in-Charge has recommended that the Borough amend the educational requirement for police officers; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council wish to adopt the Officer-in-Charge's recommendation and revise the Borough Code.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Mendham, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, as follows:

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 38, Police Department, § 38-6, Qualifications, is hereby amended to read as follows:

**§ 38-6 Qualifications.**

Any candidate eligible for appointment as a member of the Police Department of the Borough of Mendham shall:

- a. Be compliant with the laws of the State of New Jersey qualifications for a Police Officer.
- b. Be enrolled in a State of NJ Police Training Commission Certified Police Academy at the time of appointment; or
- c. Successfully completed training from a State of NJ Police Training Commission Certified Police Academy and authorized by the Police Training Commission to receive a PTC certification.

~~No person shall be appointed a member of the Police Department of the Borough of Mendham unless he or she is:~~

~~A. A citizen of the United States.~~

~~B. Sound in body and of good health sufficient to satisfy the Board of Trustees of the Police and Firemen's Retirement System of New Jersey that he or she is eligible to membership in the retirement system.~~

~~C. Able to read, write and speak the English language well and intelligently.~~

~~D. Of good moral character. No person shall be appointed who has been convicted of an indictable offense or~~

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~~who has been convicted of any crime or offense involving moral turpitude.<sup>111</sup>~~

~~E. Has a minimum of an associate's degree or has served a minimum of two years active duty in a branch of the military service.~~

**SECTION 2.** If any portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent portion, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.

**SECTION 3.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are repealed as to such inconsistencies.

**SECTION 4.** This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication in the manner according to law.

INTRODUCED: May 14, 2025

ADOPTED: May 28, 2025

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 28, 2025

BOROUGH OF MENDHAM,  
COUNTY OF MORRIS,  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

ATTEST:

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Lauren McBride, Acting Clerk

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James R. Kelly, Mayor