

**61.300 Nonelective peace officer or deputy -- Qualifications. (Effective until January 1, 2023)**

No person shall serve as a deputy sheriff, deputy constable, patrol or other nonelective peace officer, or deputy peace officer, unless:

- (1) He is a citizen of the United States and is twenty-one (21) years of age or over;
- (2) If a deputy constable, he has resided in the county wherein he is appointed to serve for a period of at least two (2) years;
- (3) A sheriff may require his or her deputies to reside in the county in which they serve. Any deputy sheriff appointed pursuant to this section who has not been a resident of the county in which he serves for a period of at least two (2) years shall not be an active participant in any labor dispute and shall immediately forfeit his position if he violates this provision;
- (4) He has never been convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude;
- (5) He has not within a period of two (2) years hired himself out, performed any service, or received any compensation from any private source for acting, as a privately paid detective, policeman, guard, peace officer, or otherwise as an active participant in any labor dispute, or conducted the business of a private detective agency or of any agency supplying private detectives, private policemen, or private guards, or advertised or solicited any such business in connection with any labor dispute; and
- (6) He has complied with the provisions of KRS 15.334.

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