

2022 Certification Actions



Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission
Certification Report

Certification

About the Report

This report shows all actions taken against officers' certifications from January to December 2022. The summaries are ordered by the effective date of the final order of the hearing panel. For purposes of this table, all certified peace officers are referred to as "officer" regardless of their rank at their respective agencies at the time of the incidents.

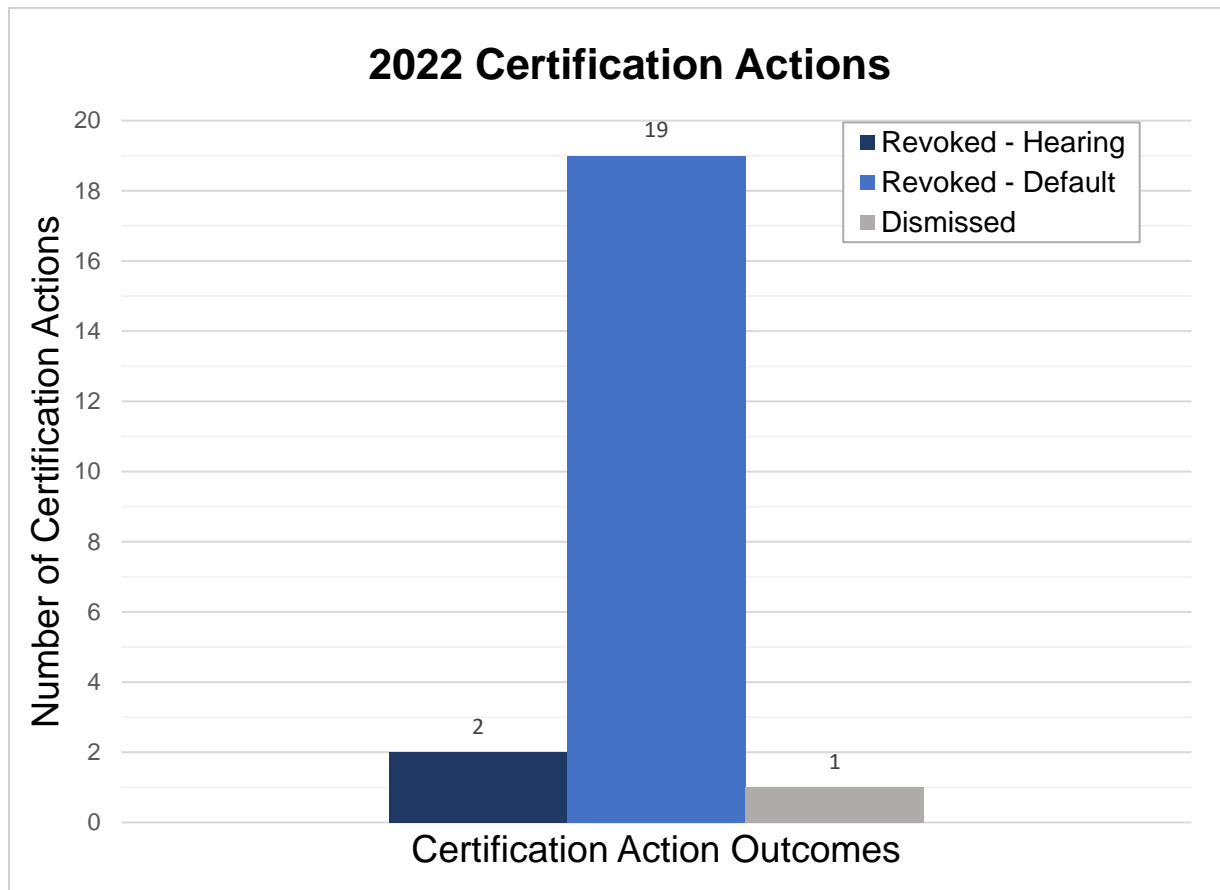
For officers whose conduct predated SB 5051, and for whom charges were issued under the prior version of RCW 43.101.010, the charges are identified by type of disqualifying misconduct. For charges issued under the current version of 43.101.105, the specific statutory provisions charged are provided.

Definitions

Revoked - Hearing: The officer's certification was revoked by the decision of the hearing panel.

Revoked - Default: The officer failed to request a hearing within the 60-day period required by RCW 43.101.155(1) and WAC 139-06-050(2), or the officer otherwise waived their right to a hearing.

Dismissed: The hearing panel has dismissed the charges against the officer.



2022 Certification Actions & Outcomes

Corson, Jared			
Case #:	20-792	Certification Action:	Revoked - Default
Agency:	Everett Police Department	Effective Date:	12/28/2022
Charges:	43.101.105(2)(a)(i)(B) - Convicted of a Gross Misdemeanor or Domestic Violence Offense 43.101.105(2)(e) – Prohibited from Possessing Weapons 43.101.105(3)(j)(iv) - Unethical or Unprofessional Conduct		
Link:	https://cjtc.app.box.com/v/20-792-Corson-Jared		
Summary:			
The officer resigned in lieu of termination after an internal investigation found that he violated more than twenty agency policies, including “Dishonest and Fraudulent Acts.” Among other acts of misconduct, the officer used a confidential criminal database to stalk the new boyfriend of a former partner, placed a GPS tracking system on his car, and falsely claimed he sold drugs. The officer also falsified his work hours. He was convicted of Stalking – Domestic Violence, Official Misconduct, and Privacy Act violations. After receiving the Statement of Charges, the officer failed request an adjudicative hearing within the 60-day period required by RCW 43.101.155(1) and WAC 139-06-050(2). Consequently, his certification was revoked by default.			

Cassatt, Michael				
Case #:		20-822	Certification Action:	Revoked
Agency:		Orting Police Department	Effective Date:	12/27/2022
Charges:		OLD LAW: False or Misleading Statements		
Link:		https://cjtc.app.box.com/v/20-822-Cassat-Michael		
Summary:				
The hearing panel found the officer was dishonest regarding his off-duty employment and repeatedly falsified his timekeeping records over a two-year period, including using sick leave to work off-duty jobs and getting paid for hours he was working off-duty employment. The officer resigned in lieu of termination during the internal affairs investigation.				

Tucker, Curtis			
Case #:	21-027	Certification Action:	Revoked - Default
Agency:	Airway Heights Police Department	Effective Date:	12/21/2022
Charges:	43.101.105(3)(e) - Excessive Force 43.101.105(3)(j)(i) - Committed a Felony 43.101.105(3)(j)(ii) - Violation of Rights 43.101.105(3)(j)(iii) - Unsafe Practices Involving Firearms, Weapons, or Vehicles 43.101.105(3)(j)(iv) - Unethical or Unprofessional Conduct 43.101.105(3)(k) - Separated for Misconduct		
Link:	https://cjtc.app.box.com/v/21-027-Tucker-Curtis		
Summary:	<p>The officer resigned while under investigation regarding a domestic violence dispute with his partner. The officer went to the home of his partner, held a gun to her head, and forced her to perform oral sex on him. The officer also physically and sexually assaulted his partner on numerous occasions. After receiving the Statement of Charges, the officer failed request an adjudicative hearing within the 60-day period required by RCW 43.101.155(1) and WAC 139-06-050(2). Consequently, his certification was revoked by default.</p>		

Hellyer, Larry			
Case #:	18-680	Certification Action:	Revoked - Default
Agency:	Prosser Police Department	Effective Date:	12/1/2022
Charges:	OLD LAW: Failure of Duty Official Misconduct		
Link:	https://cjtc.app.box.com/v/18-680-Hellyer-Larry		
Summary:	<p>The officer was terminated after he engaged in inappropriate activity with a female civilian while on duty multiple times. After receiving the Statement of Charges, the officer failed request an adjudicative hearing within the 60-day period required by RCW 43.101.155(1) and WAC 139-06-050(2). Consequently, his certification was revoked by default.</p>		

Stottlemeyer, Joshua			
Case #:	19-739	Certification Action:	Revoked - Default
Agency:	Bremerton Police Department	Effective Date:	11/15/2022
Charges:	OLD LAW: Failure of Duty Official Misconduct		
Link:	https://cjtc.app.box.com/v/19-739-Stottlemeyer-Joshua		
Summary:	<p>The officer resigned after an internal investigation found that the officer engaged in sexual activity with female civilians while on duty. The officer intentionally used state resources to facilitate sexual activity with multiple female civilians on multiple occasions. After receiving the Statement of Charges, the officer failed request an adjudicative hearing within the 60-day period required by RCW 43.101.155(1) and WAC 139-06-050(2). Consequently, his certification was revoked by default.</p>		

Gutierrez, Josafat

Case #:	18-673	Certification Action:	Revoked - Default
Agency:	Skagit County Sheriff's Office	Effective Date:	10/18/2022
Charges:	OLD LAW: Failure of Duty Official Misconduct		
Link:	https://cjtc.app.box.com/v/18-673-Gutierrez-Josafat		
Summary:			
The officer resigned after an internal investigation found that the officer engaged in sexual activity with a female civilian while on duty. The officer intentionally used state resources to facilitate sexual activity with the female civilian on multiple occasions. Furthermore, the officer failed to aid his fellow officers in the apprehension of an individual he knew escaped from the community justice center. After receiving the Statement of Charges, the officer failed request an adjudicative hearing within the 60-day period required by RCW 43.101.155(1) and WAC 139-06-050(2). Consequently, his certification was revoked by default.			

Scott, John

Case #:	18-679	Certification Action:	Revoked - Default
Agency:	Spokane Police Department	Effective Date:	10/10/2022
Charges:	OLD LAW: Assault in the 4th Degree- Domestic Violence		
Link:	https://cjtc.app.box.com/v/18-679-Scott-John		
Summary:			
The officer was terminated after an investigation found that he physically assaulted his wife on multiple occasions. The officer engaged in conduct that constitutes Assault in the 4th Degree, Domestic Violence. After receiving a Statement of Charges, the officer requested an adjudicative hearing within the 60-day period required by RCW 43.101.155(1) and WAC 139-06-050(2). However, the officer eventually withdrew his request. Consequently, his certification was revoked by default.			

Gronewold, Aaron

Case #:	20-804	Certification Action:	Revoked - Default
Agency:	Seattle Police Department	Effective Date:	10/4/2022
Charges:	OLD LAW: False or Misleading Statements		
Link:	https://cjtc.app.box.com/v/20-804-Gronewold-Aaron		
Summary:			
The officer was terminated after he provided false or misleading statements to his sergeant regarding a domestic violence dispute with his wife. While applying to the Tacoma Police Department, the officer disclosed that he punched a table and a fridge during an argument with his wife. However, the officer failed to disclose the damage to his department at the time. After receiving the Statement of Charges, the officer failed to request an adjudicative hearing within the 60-day period required by RCW 43.101.155(1) and WAC 139-06-050(2). Consequently, his certification was revoked by default.			

Humphrey, David

Case #:	18-697	Certification Action:	Revoked - Default
Agency:	Port Orchard Police Department	Effective Date:	9/21/2022
Charges:	OLD LAW: False Reporting False or Misleading Statements		
Link:	https://cjtc.app.box.com/v/18-697-Humphrey-David		
Summary:			
The officer resigned after an internal investigation found that he falsified documentation pertaining to an investigation. Furthermore, the officer provided false or misleading statements about the incident during the department's internal investigation. After receiving a Statement of Charges, the officer requested an adjudicative hearing within the 60-day period required by RCW 43.101.155(1) and WAC 139-06-050(2). However, the officer eventually withdrew his request. Consequently, his certification was revoked by default.			

Mott, Richard

Case #:	21-009	Certification Action:	Revoked - Default
Agency:	East Wenatchee Police Department	Effective Date:	6/8/2022
Charges:	OLD LAW: Failure of Duty		
Link:	https://cjtc.app.box.com/v/21-009-Mott-Richard		
Summary:			
The officer resigned in lieu of termination after an investigation found that he used state resources to facilitate sexual activity with a female on multiple occasions. As a result, the officer willfully neglected to perform his duties as a peace officer. After receiving a Statement of Charges, the officer failed to request an adjudicative hearing within the 60-day period required by RCW 43.101.155(1) and WAC 139-06-050(2). Consequently, his certification was revoked by default.			

Peters, Colby

Case #:	20-815	Certification Action:	Revoked
Agency:	Seattle Police Department	Effective Date:	4/21/2022
Charges:	OLD LAW: False or Misleading Statements		
Link:	https://cjtc.app.box.com/v/20-815-Peters-Colby		
Summary:			
The officer resigned in lieu of termination after being found to have made false or misleading statements to his supervisor and other police personnel regarding his attempt to physically stop a shoplifting suspect in an incident that occurred while he was off duty.			

Vance, Brendan				
Case #:		17-668	Certification Action:	Revoked - Default
Agency:		Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife	Effective Date:	3/30/2022
Charges:		OLD LAW: False or Misleading Statements		
Link:		https://cjtc.app.box.com/v/17-668-Vance-Brendan		
Summary:				
The officer was terminated after the officer provided false or misleading statements during an internal investigation regarding his work activities and time sheets. The officer claimed time for work he did not complete. After receiving a Statement of Charges, the officer failed to request an adjudicative hearing within the 60-day period required by RCW 43.101.155(1) and WAC 139-06-050(2). Consequently, his certification was revoked by default.				

Carrillo, Emilio			
Case #:		21-012	Certification Action: Revoked - Default
Agency:	Spokane County Sheriff's Office		Effective Date: 3/30/2022
Charges:		OLD LAW: False Swearing False or Misleading Statements	
Link:	https://cjtc.app.box.com/v/21-012-Carrillo-Emilio		
Summary:			
The officer resigned in lieu of termination after he provided false or misleading statements regarding another officer's response to a domestic violence incident. The officer also falsified documents recounting the incident. Finally, the officer provided false or misleading statements during an internal investigation regarding his falsification of records. After receiving a Statement of Charges, the officer failed to request an adjudicative hearing within the 60-day period required by RCW 43.101.155(1) and WAC 139-06-050(2). Consequently, his certification was revoked by default.			

Guerrero, Rolando			
Case #:		19-767	Certification Action: Revoked - Default
Agency:	Quincy Police Department		Effective Date: 3/23/2022
Charges:		OLD LAW: False or Misleading Statements	
Link:		https://cjtc.app.box.com/v/19-767-Guerrero-Rolando	
Summary:			
The officer resigned after it was discovered that the officer provided false or misleading statements in his DUI investigation report. Furthermore, the officer provided false or misleading statements during a Washington State Department of Licensing administrative hearing. After receiving a Statement of Charges, the officer requested an adjudicative hearing within the 60-day period required by RCW 43.101.155(1) and WAC 139-06-050(2). However, the officer eventually withdrew his request. Consequently, his certification was revoked by default.			

Cox, Leighton

Case #:	19-746	Certification Action:	Revoked - Default
Agency:	Palouse Police Department	Effective Date:	3/15/2022
Charges:	OLD LAW: False or Misleading Statements Official Misconduct Misappropriation of Accounts		
Link:	https://cjtc.app.box.com/v/19-746-Cox-Leighton		
Summary:			
The officer was terminated after an internal investigation found that the officer was using his patrol car while off duty. The officer also provided false or misleading statements regarding the incident. Furthermore, the officer misused his department issued bank card to purchase various unauthorized items. The officer also failed to return a department-issued firearm. After receiving a Statement of Charges, the officer failed to request an adjudicative hearing within the 60-day period required by RCW 43.101.155(1) and WAC 139-06-050(2). Consequently, his certification was revoked by default.			

Ennis, Gordon

Case #:	18-716	Certification Action:	Revoked - Default
Agency:	Spokane Police Department	Effective Date:	3/9/2022
Charges:	OLD LAW: Rape in the Second Degree		
Link:	https://cjtc.app.box.com/v/18-716-Ennis-Gordon		
Summary:			
The officer was terminated after he was convicted of Rape in the Second Degree. After receiving a Statement of Charges, the officer requested an adjudicative hearing within the 60-day period required by RCW 43.101.155(1) and WAC 139-06-050(2). However, the officer eventually withdrew his request. Consequently, his certification was revoked by default.			

Smith, Travis

Case #:	18-687	Certification Action:	Revoked - Default
Agency:	Spokane County Sheriff's Office	Effective Date:	3/2/2022
Charges:	OLD LAW: False or Misleading Statements		
Link:	https://cjtc.app.box.com/v/18-687-Smith-Travis		
Summary:			
The officer was terminated after it was discovered that he provided false or misleading statements during an interview regarding a domestic violence order violation. After receiving a Statement of Charges, the officer failed to request an adjudicative hearing within the 60-day period required by RCW 43.101.155(1) and WAC 139-06-050(2). Consequently, his certification was revoked by default.			

Welch, Michael				
Case #:		19-732	Certification Action:	Revoked - Default
Agency:	Colville Police Department		Effective Date:	2/15/2022
Charges:		OLD LAW: Reckless Endangerment - Domestic Violence		
Link:		https://cjtc.app.box.com/v/19-732-Welch-Michael		
Summary:				
The officer resigned after he was convicted of Reckless Endangerment – Domestic Violence. After receiving a Statement of Charges, the officer requested an adjudicative hearing within the 60-day period required by RCW 43.101.155(1) and WAC 139-06-050(2). However, the officer failed to attend his pre-hearing conference. Consequently, his certification was revoked by default.				

Smith, Daryl			
Case #:		20-772	Certification Action: Revoked - Default
Agency:	Spokane County Sheriff's Office		Effective Date: 2/3/2022
Charges:		OLD LAW: False or Misleading Statements	
Link:	https://cjtc.app.box.com/v/20-772-Smith-Daryl		
Summary:			
The officer resigned after it was discovered that he provided false or misleading statements regarding the nature of his relationship with a noncommissioned county employee and a member of the public that the officer initially met during a domestic call for service. After receiving a Statement of Charges, the officer failed to request an adjudicative hearing within the 60-day period required by RCW 43.101.155(1) and WAC 139-06-050(2). Consequently, his certification was revoked by default.			

Bogen, John			
Case #:		18-712	Certification Action: Dismissed
Agency:	Bremerton Police Department		Effective Date: 2/2/2022
Charges:		OLD LAW: False or Misleading Statements	
Link:	https://cjtc.app.box.com/v/18-712-Bogen-John		
Summary:			
The officer's employer found that he made false statements to a sergeant regarding the disposition of paraphernalia recovered during an investigation. The agency also found the officer made further false or misleading statements about the paraphernalia during an internal affairs investigation. The officer resigned in lieu of termination from his agency. After being served with a Statement of Charges, the officer requested an administrative hearing. The hearing panel found that the WSCJTC did not prove by clear, cogent, and convincing evidence that the officer knowingly made a false or misleading statement to his sergeant or during the internal affairs investigation. As a result, the hearing panel dismissed the charges against the officer, and he retained his peace officer certification.			

Perez-Resop, Joseph

Case #:	21-020	Certification Action:	Revoked - Default
Agency:	Sumner Police Department	Effective Date:	2/2/2022
Charges:	OLD LAW: False or Misleading Statements		
Link:	https://cjtc.app.box.com/v/21-020-Perez-Resop-Joseph		
Summary:			
The officer was terminated after it was determined that he provided false or misleading statements during his initial psychological examination and interview. The officer denied having a pre-existing condition, which later hindered his ability to carry out his duties. After receiving a Statement of Charges, the officer requested an adjudicative hearing within the 60-day period required by RCW 43.101.155(1) and WAC 139-06-050(2). However, the officer failed to attend his pre-hearing conference. Consequently, his certification was revoked by default.			

Roach, Benjamin

Case #:	19-735	Certification Action:	Revoked - Default
Agency:	King County Sheriff's Office	Effective Date:	1/12/2022
Charges:	OLD LAW: False or Misleading Statements		
Link:	https://cjtc.app.box.com/v/19-735-Roach-Benjamin		
Summary:			
The officer was terminated after it was discovered that he provided false or misleading statements during his interview for the Special Emphasis Team and a subsequent internal investigation. After receiving a Statement of Charges, the officer failed to request an adjudicative hearing within the 60-day period required by RCW 43.101.155(1) and WAC 139-06-050(2). Consequently, his certification was revoked by default.			