

New York Watch, Guard, or Patrol Agency (WGP) License Practice Exam (Sample)

Study Guide



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Questions

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1. _____ is any illegal imprisonment, or legal imprisonment used for an illegal purpose, or threats of bodily or other harm, or other means amounting to or tending to coerce the will of another, and actually inducing him/her to do an act contrary to his/her free will.
 - A. Duress
 - B. Coercion
 - C. Blackmail
 - D. Intimidation
2. What information must predominate over all other information contained on the Employee ID Card?
 - A. Employee Name and Photo
 - B. License Number and Expiry Date
 - C. Name, Business Address as on the License
 - D. Employee Title and Specialization
3. What is a conditional release from prison known as?
 - A. Probation
 - B. Bail
 - C. Parole
 - D. Dismissal
4. What is the fee to take the exam that you need to pass to qualify for a PI application?
 - A. \$10
 - B. \$15
 - C. \$20
 - D. \$25
5. If late to renew a PI license, what is the late filing fee amount?
 - A. \$100
 - B. \$200
 - C. \$50
 - D. \$150

- 6. Can the Department of State require additional information to be included with an Employee Statement?**
- A. No, the information requested is final**
 - B. Yes, but only in special cases**
 - C. Yes, to show the good character, competency, and integrity of the person**
 - D. Only if the applicant has a criminal background**
- 7. In no event will PI license renewal be granted more than ____ months after the date of expiration of a PI license.**
- A. 12**
 - B. 3**
 - C. 6**
 - D. 24**
- 8. When is it permissible for a New York Private Investigator to destroy the 'Employee Statement' and fingerprint card of a previous employee?**
- A. After 6 months**
 - B. If employed for at least 1 year and no litigation is pending**
 - C. Never**
 - D. Only with Employee Consent**
- 9. What should supervision of employees include?**
- A. Regular, frequent, consistent guidance, oversight, and superintendence**
 - B. Annual, detailed, documented training, and evaluation**
 - C. Quarterly, specific, tactical advisory, monitoring, and feedback**
 - D. Biannual, generalized, operational planning, command, and control**
- 10. You might be charged with being what if you intentionally aided the principal actor to engage in the commission of an offense?**
- A. An accessory**
 - B. A principal**
 - C. A witness**
 - D. A defendant**

Answers

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1. A
2. C
3. C
4. B
5. A
6. C
7. C
8. B
9. A
10. A

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Explanations

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1. _____ is any illegal imprisonment, or legal imprisonment used for an illegal purpose, or threats of bodily or other harm, or other means amounting to or tending to coerce the will of another, and actually inducing him/her to do an act contrary to his/her free will.

A. Duress

B. Coercion

C. Blackmail

D. Intimidation

Duress is the most accurate answer because it encompasses all of the other options mentioned in the question. Coercion, blackmail, and intimidation are all forms of duress, but they do not fully capture the range of actions that could be considered duress. Coercion specifically refers to the use of force or threats, while blackmail involves using personal information to manipulate someone. Intimidation typically involves instilling fear in order to control someone's actions. However, duress can also include other forms of pressure or manipulation, making it the most comprehensive choice.

2. What information must predominate over all other information contained on the Employee ID Card?

A. Employee Name and Photo

B. License Number and Expiry Date

C. Name, Business Address as on the License

D. Employee Title and Specialization

The name and business address as listed on the license must predominate over all other information contained on the Employee ID Card because this is the primary identification information for an employee. The other options either include secondary information such as license number and expiry date, or less relevant information such as employee title and specialization. Therefore, option C must be the most prominent and accurate information displayed on an Employee ID Card.

3. What is a conditional release from prison known as?

A. Probation

B. Bail

C. Parole

D. Dismissal

A conditional release from prison, commonly known as parole, is granted by a parole board as a way to transition an inmate back into society after serving a part of their sentence. This option is different from probation, which is served in lieu of jail time, and bail, which is used to temporarily release an accused offender from custody before their court date. Dismissal is not a form of release from prison, and instead, refers to the dropping of charges against a defendant.

4. What is the fee to take the exam that you need to pass to qualify for a PI application?

- A. \$10
- B. \$15**
- C. \$20
- D. \$25

The fee to take the exam that you need to pass to qualify for a PI application is \$15. This is the correct answer because it reflects the current cost of taking the exam. Options A, C, and D are incorrect because they do not accurately reflect the current fee for the exam. Option A is too low, option C is too high, and option D is nearly double the correct amount. It is important to double-check the current fee before making a decision, as fees may change over time.

5. If late to renew a PI license, what is the late filing fee amount?

- A. \$100**
- B. \$200
- C. \$50
- D. \$150

The correct answer is \$100. This is the standard late filing fee amount for renewing a PI license. B, C, and D are incorrect because they do not match the actual fee amount for renewing a PI license. Option B is double the correct amount, and options C and D are less than the correct amount.

6. Can the Department of State require additional information to be included with an Employee Statement?

- A. No, the information requested is final
- B. Yes, but only in special cases
- C. Yes, to show the good character, competency, and integrity of the person**
- D. Only if the applicant has a criminal background

The Department of State can require additional information to be included with an Employee Statement in order to evaluate the good character, competency, and integrity of the person applying. This information is necessary for the department to properly assess the individual's qualifications for the position. Options A and D are incorrect because they imply that no additional information can be requested, which is not always the case. Option B is incorrect because the department can request additional information in any case, not just special cases.

7. In no event will PI license renewal be granted more than ___ months after the date of expiration of a PI license.

- A. 12**
- B. 3**
- C. 6**
- D. 24**

This is because a PI license renewal can only be granted for a maximum of 6 months after the expiration date of the original license. Option A is incorrect because 12 months is too long and would exceed the maximum renewal period. Option B is also incorrect because 3 months is too short and would not cover the entire grace period for renewal. Option D is incorrect because 24 months is too long and would also exceed the maximum renewal period. Therefore, option C is the only valid option that fits within the stated timeframe.

8. When is it permissible for a New York Private Investigator to destroy the 'Employee Statement' and fingerprint card of a previous employee?

- A. After 6 months**
- B. If employed for at least 1 year and no litigation is pending**
- C. Never**
- D. Only with Employee Consent**

A After 6 months is incorrect because there is no specific time period mentioned in the question. This option is too specific and does not take into consideration other factors. B: If employed for at least 1 year and no litigation is pending is the correct answer because it addresses both a time period and the absence of pending litigation. This option takes into consideration potential legal issues and a reasonable amount of time for employment. C: Never is incorrect because there are scenarios in which it may be necessary to destroy these documents, such as when there is pending litigation or when an employee's consent is given. D: Only with Employee Consent is incorrect because the question does not mention anything about employee consent. This option is too specific and does not address other factors mentioned in the question.

9. What should supervision of employees include?

- A. Regular, frequent, consistent guidance, oversight, and superintendence**
- B. Annual, detailed, documented training, and evaluation**
- C. Quarterly, specific, tactical advisory, monitoring, and feedback**
- D. Biannual, generalized, operational planning, command, and control**

Supervision of employees should include regular, frequent, and consistent guidance and oversight. This means that supervisors should actively monitor and guide their employees on a regular basis, rather than just once a year or once every few months. Evaluation should also be a continuous process, rather than just a one-time annual event. The other options are incorrect because they involve less frequent or less consistent forms of supervision, which may not be as effective in ensuring employee success and development. Biannual and generalized methods may also lack the necessary detail and specificity to effectively guide and oversee employees. Additionally, operational planning and command and control may be too authoritative and restrictive, rather than providing the necessary guidance and support for employee growth.

10. You might be charged with being what if you intentionally aided the principal actor to engage in the commission of an offense?

- A. An accessory**
- B. A principal**
- C. A witness**
- D. A defendant**

If you intentionally helped someone else commit a crime, you could be charged as an accessory. This means that you assisted the main person in carrying out the illegal act and are therefore also responsible for the offense. A principal would be the main person who committed the crime. A witness is someone who witnessed the crime but did not take part in it. A defendant is someone who is accused of or on trial for a crime. Because the question specifically mentions aiding the principal actor, it implies that the person being charged with being an accessory did not directly commit the crime themselves, making them an accessory rather than a principal or defendant.