

New Castle County Police Department



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New Castle County Police CALEA Assessment August 07-10, 2016

A team of assessors from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA) will arrive on Sunday, August 7th, 2016 to examine all aspects of the New Castle County Division of Police's policy and procedures, management, operations, and support services. Verification by the assessment team that the New Castle County Division of Police meets the Commission's state-of-the-art standards is part of a voluntary process to maintain accreditation - a highly prized recognition of public safety professional excellence.

As part of the on-site assessment, agency personnel and members of the community are invited to offer comments at a public information session on Monday, August 8, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. in the Robert L. Snow Conference Room of the Corporal Paul J. Sweeney Public Safety Building, 3601 N. DuPont Highway, New Castle, DE 19720. **If for some reason an individual cannot speak at the public information session but would still like to provide comments to the assessment team, they may do so by telephone. The public may call (302) 395-2840 on Monday, August 8, 2016 between 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. to speak with a member of the assessment team.**

Telephone comments as well as appearances at the public information session are limited to 10 minutes and must address the ability of the New Castle County Police to comply with CALEA Standards. The Accreditation Manager for the New Castle County Police is Rhonda Burns, who can be contacted at (302) 395-8001.

Persons wishing to offer written comments about the ability of the New Castle County Police to meet the standards for accreditation are requested to write: Commission of Accreditation for Law Enforcement, Inc. (CALEA), 13575 Heathcote Boulevard, Suite 320, Gainesville, Virginia 20155 or email CALEA@calea.org.

The assessors will review written materials, interview individuals, and visit offices and other **locations where compliance can be witnessed. Once the CALEA Assessors complete their** review of the agency, they report back to the full Commission, which will then decide if the **agency is to be granted accreditation status. Accreditation is for three years, during which the** agency must submit annual reports attesting to continued compliance with those standards under which they were initially accredited.

For more information regarding the Commission of Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc., please write the Commission at 13575 Heathcote Boulevard, Suite 320, Gainesville, Virginia 20155 or email CALEA@calea.org.

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