

The Tennessee Unarmed Guard Registration Roadmap

4-Hour Initial Training and 2-Hour Renewal — mapped out, from Bluewater Security Academy

Tennessee's unarmed security officer registration is built around two short, focused courses under Tenn. Code Ann. § 62-35-118, rather than one long program. This roadmap covers what each one requires and when you need it.

Initial Registration — 4-Hour General Training

- ☐ Applies if you've never held a TN unarmed guard registration before
- ☐ Required under Tenn. Code Ann. § 62-35-118
- ☐ Covers officer roles, responsibilities, and authority (including arrest vs. detention)
- ☐ Covers conduct and professionalism, and effective public relations
- ☐ Covers emergency procedures, first aid, and basic safety principles
- ☐ Must be 18 or older to register
- ☐ Ends with a proctored exam

Renewal — 2-Hour Refresher Training

- ☐ Required every 2 years to keep your registration current
- ☐ Passing score: minimum 70% on the renewal exam
- ☐ Common mistake: waiting until after your registration expires — a lapsed registration can mean restarting as a new hire

What Happens After Training

- ☐ Bluewater Security Academy files your registration paperwork alongside your training completion
- ☐ Every training record and renewal date is tracked in BluewaterOS
- ☐ Graduates have a direct path into Hammerhead Security field assignments in Tennessee

Questions to Ask Before You Enroll

- ☐ Is the training provider recognized for TCA § 62-35 registration training?
- ☐ Does the program cover both the initial and renewal tracks, or only one?
- ☐ How are your renewal dates tracked so your registration doesn't lapse?
- ☐ Does the program include a direct placement path, or just a certificate?

This roadmap reflects Tennessee unarmed security officer registration requirements under Tenn. Code Ann. § 62-35-118, as of publication. Requirements can change — confirm current details with the Tennessee Department of Commerce & Insurance or Bluewater Security Academy directly.

Ready to start? bluewatersecurityacademy.com or (252) 725-8356 — we'll get your training scheduled.