

## Hearing with WA Police, 15 February, 2016

**Clarification provided by Mr Craig Ward, Assistant Commissioner (Workforce), Western Australia Police, to information provided at page 29 of the transcript:**

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**The Chair:** There are certain things that you need to requalify for - for example, driving skills. Do officers have to re-sit that or a particular test, or do they have to attend the training course as well?

**Mr Ward:** Only the highest level. If it is top level priority pursuit trials, they will have to requalify, otherwise it is an online component.

**Mr Ward's clarification:**

*"Driver Training has a skills (Driving) and knowledge (Policy /Procedures) component. After the initial driving course to provide and assess the practical skills, officers do not attend further face-to-face training unless upgrading a licence qualification or being returned to the Police Academy for remedial training. All driving incidents are reviewed as a matter of course and where 'skill' is deemed to be deficient, an officer will be returned for face-to-face remedial training to address the skills gap. The knowledge component (Critical Skills 4), is re-tested every two years by means of Blackboard examination and this is a mandatory requirement irrespective of the licence type. This is intended to keep drivers current in their knowledge of Emergency Driving Policy and Procedures."*