

From Detective Sergeant Dave Kelley:

The Palm Beach Shores Police Department is accredited by the Coalition of Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation (CFA). We initially became accredited in June of 2006 by establishing a set of policies and procedures required by 270 standards dictated by the CFA. To obtain reaccreditation, every three years we must undergo a three day assessment by a team of accreditation experts. They examine virtually every aspect of our agency to determine if we are in compliance with those 270 standards. This agency establishes compliance by creating a file for each standard containing examples or copies of documents which prove that we have fulfilled the requirements of that particular standard. Failure to comply with even one of the mandatory standards is grounds for denial of accreditation. This agency is scheduled for our first reaccreditation assessment on April 21, 22, & 23. This entire process is quite time consuming and expensive. In return, this agency finely hones its professionalism and efficiency while greatly reducing its vulnerability to litigation.