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**Qualifications for instructors.**

- (A) A certificate as a firefighter instructor or as a fire safety inspector instructor shall be issued to any individual who satisfies the following minimum qualifications:
- (1) Not less than five years of work experience as a firefighter or fire safety inspector, including the three years immediately prior to submission of an application for certification as an instructor;
  - (2) Successful completion of an instructor training program approved by the executive director;
  - (3) Successful completion of an examination approved or administered by the executive director and the subcommittee.
- (B) In addition to the requirements set forth in paragraph (A) of this rule, every year after the completion of the first year as a certified instructor, a firefighter instructor or fire safety inspector instructor shall demonstrate compliance with the following continuing education requirements:
- (1) Not less than six hours of specialized training related to either fire service or teaching techniques;
  - (2) Attendance at all regional fire instructor update meetings conducted by the division of emergency medical services of the department of public safety;
  - (3) Have taught in at least one fire course conducted by a program that holds a charter issued under section 4765.55 of the Revised Code. For purposes of this paragraph, teaching in an in-service course that has been reported as such by the chartered program may be considered sufficient to satisfy this requirement.
- (C) Any person who serves as an assistant instructor in a firefighter or fire safety inspector training program shall meet the following minimum qualifications:
- (1) Have not less than three years experience or training in a related area determined acceptable by the executive director, with the advice and counsel of the ~~subcommittee~~ committee;
  - (2) Demonstrate competency or special expertise in an area of fire service training as determined by the certified instructor who has supervised or had an opportunity to assess the person's competency;

- (3) Have recommendations from the program director of a fire service training program chartered under section 4765.55 of the Revised Code and this chapter and a certified instructor who has worked with the person.
  
- (D) In addition to the requirements set forth in paragraphs (A), (B), and (C) of this rule, a chartered program may require an instructor or assistant instructor to possess current teaching certification in the area of fire service training issued by the state board of education under section 3319.281 of the Revised Code.

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Certification

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