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Reinstatement of a firefighter or fire safety inspector certificate.

[Comment: For dates and availability of material incorporated by reference in this rule, see paragraph (CC) in rule 4765-11-01 of the Administrative Code.]

(A) A firefighter or fire safety inspector certificate shall expire on its expiration date, if the certificate holder fails to renew such certificate.

(B) In order to reinstate a certificate of firefighter training that has expired or becomes invalid due to a voluntary surrender, an applicant shall meet all of the following requirements:

(1) Submit a completed "Firefighter and/or Fire Safety Inspector Reinstatement Application;"

(2) Meet all qualifications for a firefighter certificate as outlined in rule 4765-20-02 of the Administrative Code;

(3) Previously held a firefighter certificate for the level of certification sought and the applicant was in good standing at the time the certificate expired or was voluntarily surrendered;

(4) Meet the requirements as outlined in paragraphs (C), (D), and (E) of this rule, as applicable.

(C) The executive director shall reinstate a firefighter certificate that has expired or becomes invalid due to a voluntary surrender, for no later than ninety days from the expiration date or date of surrender, if the applicant meets the requirements set forth in paragraph (B) of this rule and all of the following requirements:

(1) Submits an application fee of seventy-five dollars;

(2) Provides documentation to the division that all continuing education requirements as set forth in Chapter 4765-20 of the Administrative Code were met for the last certification cycle prior to the certificate's expiration date or date of surrender. If the continuing education requirements have not been completed prior to expiration date or date of surrender, the applicant is not eligible for reinstatement under this paragraph.

(D) The executive director shall reinstate a firefighter certificate that has expired, or becomes invalid due to a voluntary surrender, for no later than six months from the expiration date or date of surrender, if the applicant meets the requirements set forth in paragraph (B) of this rule and all of the following requirements:

(1) Provides documentation to the division that all continuing education requirements as set forth in Chapter 4765-20 of the Administrative Code were met for the last certification cycle. Continuing education need not be

completed prior to the certificate's expiration date or date of surrender, but shall be completed at time of application;

- (2) Successfully passes the knowledge examination, at the level of certification sought, as set forth in rule 4765-20-06 of the Administrative Code.
- (E) The executive director shall reinstate a firefighter certificate that has expired, or becomes invalid due to voluntary surrender, for more than six months, but no later than eighteen months from the expiration date or date of surrender, if the applicant meets the requirements set forth in paragraph (B) of this rule and all of the following requirements:
- (1) Provides documentation to the division that all continuing education requirements as set forth in Chapter 4765-20 of the Administrative Code were met for the last certification cycle. Continuing education need not be completed prior to the certificate's expiration date, but shall be completed at time of application;
 - (2) Successfully passes the knowledge examination, at the level of certification sought, as set forth in rule 4765-20-06 of the Administrative Code;
 - (3) Successfully passes the practical examination as set forth in rule 4765-20-06 of the Administrative Code.
- (F) If a firefighter certificate has expired, or becomes invalid due to voluntary surrender, for eighteen months or longer from expiration date or date of surrender, the applicant is not eligible for reinstatement. The applicant shall complete a new course of instruction and meet all qualifications for a certificate of firefighter training as provided in rule 4765-20-02 of the Administrative Code.
- (G) In order to reinstate a fire safety inspector certificate that has expired or becomes invalid due to a voluntary surrender, an applicant shall meet all of the following requirements:
- (1) Submit a completed "Firefighter and/or Fire Safety Inspector Reinstatement Application;"
 - (2) Meet all qualifications for a fire safety inspector certificate, as outlined in rule 4765-20-03 of the Administrative Code;
 - (3) Previously held a fire safety inspector certificate and the applicant was in good standing at the time the certificate expired or was voluntarily surrendered;
 - (4) Meet requirements as outlined in paragraphs (H), (I), or (J) of this rule, as applicable.
- (H) The executive director shall reinstate a fire safety inspector certificate that has

expired or becomes invalid due to voluntary surrender, for not later than ninety days from expiration date or date of surrender, if the applicant meets the requirements set forth in paragraph (G) of this rule and all of the following requirements:

- (1) Submits an application fee of seventy-five dollars;
- (2) Provides documentation to the division that all continuing education requirements as set forth in Chapter 4765-20 of the Administrative Code were met for the last certification cycle prior to the certificate's expiration date or date of surrender. If the continuing education requirements have not been completed prior to expiration date, the applicant is not eligible for reinstatement under this paragraph.

(I) The executive director shall reinstate a fire safety inspector certificate that has expired, or becomes invalid due to a voluntary surrender, for not more than six months from expiration date, if the applicant meets the requirements set forth in paragraph (G) of this rule and all of the following requirements:

- (1) Provides documentation to the division that all continuing education requirements as set forth in Chapter 4765-20 of the Administrative Code were met for the last certification cycle. Continuing education need not be completed prior to the certificate's expiration date, but shall be completed at time of application;
- (2) Successfully passes the knowledge examination as set forth in rule 4765-20-06 of the Administrative Code.

(J) The executive director shall reinstate a fire safety inspector certificate that has expired, or becomes invalid due to voluntary surrender, for more than six months, but less than eighteen months from the expiration date or date of surrender, if the applicant meets the requirements set forth in paragraph (G) of this rule and all of the following requirements, within such time period:

- (1) Provides documentation to the division that all continuing education requirements as set forth in Chapter 4765-20 of the Administrative Code were met for the last certification cycle. Continuing education need not be completed prior to the certificate's expiration date or date of surrender, but shall be completed at time of application;
- (2) Successfully passes the knowledge examination as set forth in rule 4765-20-06 of the Administrative Code.

(K) If a fire safety inspector certificate has expired or becomes invalid due to voluntary surrender, for eighteen months or longer from the expiration date or date of surrender, the applicant is not eligible for reinstatement. The applicant shall complete a new course of instruction and meet all qualifications for a fire safety

inspector certificate as provided in rule 4765-20-03 of the Administrative Code.

- (L) An applicant shall meet all requirements for eligibility prior to taking any examination.
- (M) An applicant who is eligible for reinstatement is not eligible to apply for certification by reciprocity at or below the level of the expired certificate.
- (N) An applicant who qualifies for reinstatement is eligible to be reinstated at the level previously held by such applicant.
- (O) The applicant's course of fire service training shall be significantly similar to the current curriculum requirements as set forth in Chapter 4765-11 of the Administrative Code for the level sought. If the training is not significantly similar to the current curriculum, the applicant shall complete additional coursework in the areas of deficiency through a chartered program.
- (P) A firefighter or fire safety inspector certificate issued pursuant to this rule shall be issued in accordance with the certification cycles and pro-rated renewal requirements set forth in rule 4765-20-22 of the Administrative Code.

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