



LEADING THE FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICE TO EXCELLENCE

Commission on Professional Credentialing (CPC) Eligibility and Application Information

Application Components

- Experience – An accumulation of the applicants work history based on the designation.
- Professional Development – Consists of education, certifications, training courses and designee goals.
- Professional Contributions/Recognition – List teaching, public speaking, research published or unpublished, professional articles or other contributions to the emergency services field as well as any professional recognition during the previous 5 years.
- Professional Memberships and Affiliations – List the organizations in which you are actively involved during the last 5 years and the degree of involvement.
- Community Involvement – List the community and charitable organizations that you've participated in during the last 5 years.
- Technical Competency – Each competency includes a list of "Learning Content" which outlines knowledge, skills and abilities related to that particular competency. The two components of each technical competency are Education and Experience.

Professional Designation

This internationally accepted model recognizes career excellence and offers strategies for continuous personal improvement.

The Designation Process



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THE CPC OFFERS SIX LEVELS OF PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATIONS



Chief
EMS
Officer®



Chief
Fire
Officer®



Chief
Training
Officer



Fire
Marshal



Fire
Officer



Public
Information
Officer



To qualify for CFO a Battalion Chief or above needs a minimum of:

- 150 points, which can be earned through education and experience.
- Points for education range from 25 to 150 and can include an Academic Certificate
- Experience points range from 5 to 60 and may be influenced by the length of time in the position.
- Providing an organizational chart is required to confirm their position within the department.



To qualify for CEMSO, candidates must have at least 10 years of experience in EMS as an EMT, Paramedic, RN, ARNP, or Physician:

- 150 points, which can be earned through education and experience.
- Points for education range from 25 to 150 and can include an Academic Certificate
- Experience points range from 5 to 60 and may be influenced by the length of time in the position.
- Providing an organizational chart is required to confirm their position within the department



To qualify for FM, fire prevention officers or fire marshals with management responsibilities over various aspects of fire prevention programs, including code enforcement, education, fire investigations, or engineering:

- 150 points, which can be earned through education and experience.
- Points for education range from 25 to 150 and can include an Academic Certificate
- Experience points range from 5 to 60 and may be influenced by the length of time in the position.
- Providing an organizational chart is required to confirm their position within the department.



To qualify for CTO, administrators of training programs in fire and emergency service agencies:

- 150 points, which can be earned through education and experience.
- Points for education range from 25 to 150 and can include an Academic Certificate
- Experience points range from 5 to 60 and may be influenced by the length of time in the position.
- Providing an organizational chart is required to confirm their position within the department.



To qualify for PIO, a person must be employed full or part-time, contracted with, or volunteer for a government agency, public safety agency, emergency services organization, or a privately owned industry that supports government or serves in emergency support functions (ESF):

- 150 points, which can be earned through education and experience.
- Points for education range from 25 to 150 and can include an Academic Certificate
- Experience points range from 5 to 60 and may be influenced by the length of time in the position.
- Providing an organizational chart is required to confirm their position within the department.



To qualify for FO, junior officers, company officers, or those who have served in an intermittent acting status for 12 months:

- 100 points, which can be earned through education and experience.
- Points for education range from 25 to 150 and can include an Academic Certificate
- Experience points range from 5 to 50 points.
- Providing an organizational chart is required to confirm their position within the department



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