



Title: FIRE SERVICE INSTRUCTOR CERTIFICATIONS

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INSTRUCTOR CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

There are **three levels of Instructor Certification** offered by the Bureau of Fire Standards and Training. The three types are listed below, including the qualification requirements, and the curriculum the certification entitles the instructor to teach.

The information in this document is for quick reference only. Please refer to Florida Administrative Code 69A-37.059 for additional information and details relative to Instructor Certification and quadrennial renewal requirements.

INSTRUCTOR I Requirements:

1. Six years experience as a regular member of an organized fire department.
2. Documentation of completing the 40-hour **Fire Service Course Delivery** class or equivalent.
3. Documentation of high school graduation or equivalent.
4. Physical ability to perform the tasks associated with the training.
5. Form DFS-K4-1451, current application fee, and successful completion of the State Written Examination.

An Instructor I may teach any classes in the program area(s) in which they are certified or hold a certificate of competency.

Download [Fire Instructor I Application](#) (DFS-K4-1451).

INSTRUCTOR II Requirements:

1. Six years experience as a regular member of an organized fire department.
2. Documentation of completing the 40-hour **Fire Service Course Delivery** class or equivalent.
3. Documentation of completing the 40-hour **Fire Service Course Design** class or equivalent.
4. Documentation of an **Associate's Degree or higher** that meets the requirements of [s 817.567](#).
5. Physical ability to perform the tasks associated with the training.

6. Form DFS-K4-1452, current application fee, and successful completion of the State Written Examination.

An Instructor II may teach any class which is recognized as part of the curriculum established and developed by the Bureau of Fire Standards and Training, provided the instructor can verify successful completion of the same course by certificate or transcript.

NOTES:

- Refer to 69A-37.065(2) for specific instructor requirements unique to the Fire Officer Program.
- Refer to 69A-37.065(6) for specific instructor requirements unique to the Safety Officer Program.
- Refer to 69A-37.407 for specific instructor requirements unique to the Live Fire Training Instructor Training.

Download [Fire Instructor II Application](#) (DFS-K4-1452).

INSTRUCTOR III Requirements:

1. Six years experience as a regular member of an organized fire department.
2. Documentation of completing the 40-hour **Fire Service Course Delivery** class or equivalent.
3. Documentation of completing the 40-hour **Fire Service Course Design** class or equivalent.
4. Documentation of a **Bachelor's Degree or higher** that meets the requirements of [s 817.567](#).
5. Physical ability to perform the tasks associated with the training.
6. Form DFS-K4-1453, and current application fee. (No examination is required.)

An Instructor III may teach any class which is recognized as part of the curriculum established and developed by the Bureau of Fire Standards and Training, provided the instructor can verify successful completion of the same course by certificate or transcript.

NOTES:

- Refer to 69A-37.065(2) for specific instructor requirements unique to the Fire Officer Program.
- Refer to 69A-37.065(6) for specific instructor requirements unique to the Safety Officer Program.
- Refer to 69A-37.407 for specific instructor requirements unique to the Live Fire Training Instructor Training.

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