# **CREDENTIALING TIPS**

# **How to Complete the Chief Training Officer Application**

# **Eligibility Requirements: Category A**

Those meeting one or more of the criteria below are excluded from the Technical Competency component of the Application. Candidates who wish to provide us with recent evidence of their performance are encouraged to do so.

#### **CHECK ONLY 1 BOX**

5 years as a Chief Training Officer with a Masters Degree
5 years as a Chief Training Officer with a Bachelors Degree and EFO certificate through the National Fire Academy or Fire Instructor III (accredited) (ProBoard or IFSAC) or ISFSI Professionally credentialed instructor
10 years as a Chief Training Officer with a Bachelors Degree
10 years as a Chief Training Officer with an Associates Degree (or international equivalent degree)endorsement from your supervisor and EFO certificate through the National Fire Academy or Fire Instructor III (accredited)(ProBoard or IFSAC) or ISFSI Professionally credentialed instructor
15 years as a Chief Training Officer with an Associates Degree (or international equivalent degree) $\&$ endorsement from your supervisor
20 years as a Chief Training Officer with Fire Officer III and Instructor III (accredited) (ProBoard or IFSAC) and an endorsement from your supervisor

The top four options are for the top Chief Training Officer in the department.

The next two options are for the subordinate Training Officers, who may be aspiring to become the Training Officer.

#### **Eligibility Requirements: Category B**

Candidates must have a minimum of 150 points in Education and Experience to qualify in completing the remainder of the application. **Education** (check highest level only) Check the degree or academic certificate you Doctorate or Masters Degree - 150 points Points: have earned. Only one box may be checked Bachelors Degree – 100 points here. Associates Degree (or international equivalent degree) – 50 points Academic Certificate - 25 points (A college program designed to provide basic training in a specific field of study) Check if you hold the National Fire Academy Points: Executive Fire Officer and/or Fire Officer IV Executive Fire Officer Certificate through the National Fire Academy or Fire Officer IV (accredited) – 25 (accredited by Pro Board or IFSAC). points Experience Points: Candidates will need to provide an organizational chart to verify their position within the department. Points will Level 1 Typically, the fire chief is also be given for the length of time in a position. level 1 in the org chart. Level 2 Determine which level you **Current Position:** are in the chart to the left Level 3 Level 3 Level 1 – Fire Chief – 60 pts Level 2 – 50 pts ☐ Level 3 – 40 pts \_\_\_ and check the corresponding Level 4 – 30 pts Level 4 Level 4 "Levels" are described as the number of supervisor positions between the candidate and the Fire Chief. Level 1 is the Fire Chief in your department. Based on the levels in the chart above, calculate Points: your length of service points. You can use more Length of Service: than one level to achieve up to 30 points. Maximum number of points: 30 Level 1 – 3 pts/year Levels 2-4 – 2 pts/year \_\_\_\_\_ pts Check the appropriate box for your department's Levels 5-6 – 1 pt/year pts Points: workforce for complexity points. Complexity (based on the department's workforce in your current department): 751+ - 50 pts 400-750 – 40 pts 100-399 – 30 pts Less than 99 – 20 pts Check the appropriate box(es) for additional Points: **Current Designee in Good Standing:** designations held from CPC. CFO, CEMOS, FM – 10 Points FO – 5 Points Dual Designated – add 5 Points CFAI Accreditation Experience: Add 5 points for each box checked: Current Accreditation Manager (AM); Current Team Leader (TL); Current AM and TL List total points earned...if 150 or more you are Total Points: you are eligible to continue. Total points received:

# **Component 1: Personal & Employment Information**

# Primary Mailing Address Last Name: First Name: MI: Home Address 1: Home Address 2: Home City: Home State: Home Zip: Home Phone: Fax: Mobile Phone: E-mail:

**Personal Information** 

Include ALL personal information requested.

#### **Employment Information**

Please attach a current resume, organization chart and position description.

Primary Mailing Address				
Agency Name:				
Position Title:				
Years in Position:	Immediate Supervisor:			
Work Address 1:				
Work Address 2:				
Work City:	Work State:	Work Zip:		
Work Phone: Ext.: Fax:				
Mobile Phone:				
E-mail:				

Be sure to check which mailing address is your preference.

Include ALL employment information requested. Your immediate supervisor listed here will sign the demographics page and submit a letter of reference.

# Component 1: Personal & Employment Information, Cont'd

#### **Demographic Information**

Please fill in the requested information on the department/organization you are currently working for.

Select the type of department/organization you represent:					
Fire Department:	State Fire Training Acade	emy: 🔲 R	egional Fire Tr	aining Academy:	
Population Served:					
Total Personnel:	Uniform	ied:		Civilian:	
Paid on Call:	Paid:		Vo	olunteer:	
Type of Department:					
Fully Paid:	Mostly Paid:	Fully Volu	nteer: 🗌	Mostly Volunteer:	
Federal/Military:	] Industrial: [	Other: [			
Annual Budget:					
What level of EMS serv	vice does the department p	orovide?			
First Responder:	Basic Life Supp	ort: 🗌	Advance	d Life Support:	
Does not provide EMS:					
Does your department	Does your department transport patients? Yes  No  No				
What other services does your department provide (Haz Mat, Rescue, etc.)?					
Supervisor Attestation Statement					
lease have your immedia	ease have your immediate supervisor sign below.				

General demographic information about the Department you are currently working with.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (candidate's supervisor) do attest that the above information is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Your Supervisor listed in your employment information page needs to sign here.

# **Component 2: Letters of Reference**

All candidates must submit **three (3)** letters of reference from individuals who are knowledgeable of your experience, education and accomplishments during your career. One letter must be from your immediate supervisor. List the names and contact info below:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

#### Three letters of reference are required:

- 1 from your supervisor listed on your employment information page
- 2 from people that know you well in a professional, personal, or volunteer capacity.

# **Component 3: Professional Development**

#### **Education**

Includes formal educational degrees and certificate programs from accredited colleges and universities. *Please attach copies of transcripts.* 

Name of Institution	Location	Degree	Graduation Year

- List all degree and certificate programs.
- Attach copies of transcripts.
- Degrees must be from accredited colleges.

#### **Certifications**

List current applicable certifications (i.e., Fire Officer, Fire Instructor, EMT, Paramedic, CFPS, CFEI, CEM, etc.). *Please attach copies of certificates*.

Certification	Certification Agency	Date(s)

Please do not list more than the space provided.

- List all applicable certifications: e.g. Fire Officer, Firefighter, Fire Instructor, EMT
- Attach certificate copy or transcript.
- List only current certifications.
- Do not use more spaces than provided in the application.

# **Component 3: Professional Development, Continued**

#### **Training/Courses**

List fire and emergency services as well as business management, human resource development or public administration related courses/classes completed in the last five (5) years. Do *not* attach copies of the certificates of completion.

Training Sponsor	Course Name	Date(s)	Contact Hours

Please do not list more than the space provided.

- List training courses, CEU programs, conferences attended during the past 5 years. Possible course topics includes: business management, human resources, in-house programs, CPSE Excellence Conference, etc.
- Certificates/transcripts not required.
- List chronologically (earliest to newest).
- Do not include college course used to actively attain a degree.
- Do not use more spaces than provided in the application.

# **Component 3: Professional Development, Continued**

#### **Designee Development Goals**

As a candidate for this designation, you must show that you will continue to grow personally and professionally. Please indicate your intended participation in courses, workshops, professional memberships and affiliations, and community involvement.

- Articulate a plan of action for where you want to take your career in the next 3 years. Include such items as:
  - Future training, certification, degrees
  - Community involvement.
  - Association memberships
- Acceptable to highlight achievements but should be mostly future goals.
- Should be in paragraph format.

# **Component 4: Professional Contributions/Recognition**

In the spaces below, list any teaching, public speaking, research published or unpublished, professional articles, or other contributions to the field of fire and emergency services in the last **five (5)** years. Also, list any professional recognition (service/valor awards) you have received in the last **five (5)** years.

#### **Professional Contributions/Recognition**

Type of Contribution	Organization	Date(s)

Please do not list more than the space provided.

- List all teaching, public speaking, research published or un-published (i.e. EFO paper), professional articles, and other contributions, during the past 5 years.
- These contributions can be at any level: local, state, regional, national.
- List recognitions received in the last 5 years (e.g. commendations, citizen of the year, service club recognition).
- **List chronologically** (earliest to newest).
- Do not use more spaces than provided in the application.

# **Component 5: Professional Memberships, Affiliations and Community Involvement**

#### **Professional Memberships and Affiliations**

In the spaces below, list professional memberships and relevant affiliations within the fire and emergency industry in which you are actively involved or have been involved during the last **five (5)** years.

Organization	Level of Involvement	Dates

- List all applicable organizations you have been involved with e.g. IAFC, IAFF, NFPA, Local Fire Chiefs, Local Emergency management group.
- Note what level of involvement: member, board member, officer
- Not required to fill all spaces.
- Do not use more spaces than provided on the application.

#### **Community Involvement**

In the spaces below, list the community and charitable organizations and level and hours of involvement you have participated in during the last **five (5)** years.

Organization	Level of Involvement	Hours of Involvement	Dates

- List all applicable involvement with community and charitable organizations e.g. Lions Club, Scouting, American Legion, Red Cross, United Way.
- Note what level of involvement: chair, officer, member, worker.
- Note hours of involvement over which time period (e.g. 2 hours per month)
- Not required to fill all spaces.
- Do not use more spaces than provided on the application.

#### **Component 6: Technical Competencies**

#### Technical Competency #1: Assessment & Planning

Category: Strategic Planning

Learning Content: Insurance Grading, Community General Planning, Planning Methodologies, Collecting and

Analyzing Data, Risk Assessment. Change Process, Trends and Patterns. Development of

Long Term Training Plans, Training Facility Planning

Reference: ; NFPA 1021-2009 6.1.2, NFPA 1041-2007 5.2.2

#### **EDUCATION**

Training Sponsor	Course Name	Date(s)	Credits/Contact Hours

#### **EXPERIENCE**

#### ONLY REQUIRED FOR CATEGORY-B APPLICATIONS

Learning content outlines the knowledge, skills and abilities related to the competency.

- Each competency includes learning content and Job Performance Requirement (JPR) from a corresponding NFPA standard.
- Candidates are required to address both education and experience sections under each technical competency.
- Education:
  - List up to seven courses/training classes you have participated in that corresponds to the competency.
  - List should include include (in preferred priority order): college level courses, National Fire Academy courses, certification courses, special seminars or conferences.
  - o It is not required to fill all the spaces.
  - Do not use more spaces than the application provides.
- Experience:
  - Provide a narrative that addresses relevant experience to the competency.
  - Include present and prior work experience.
  - Current examples preferred, include major projects completed during your career.
  - The technical competency should be written in paragraph format, with no minimum length requirement. Must sufficiently cover the requirements.
  - Two paragraphs is a good rule of thumb...not a requirement.
  - This is a professional designation so spelling and grammar are extremely important.

#### **COMPONENT 6: ATTESTATION STATEMENT**

From an individual who can verify your experience:

I, through	do attest that I have reviewed Technical Competency numbers and the information submitted and is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.	
Signature:		Date:
Position Title:		Organization:
E-Mail:		Phone:

- Attestation statement completed and signed by an individual(s) who can verify the experience outlined for each competency.
- Multiple attestation statements can be used if using more than one individual to attest their experience.

# **Component 7: Certification Statement**

<u>Certification Statement</u>			
I,(Candidate) hereby certify that true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I have read and u and agree to abide by this code. I understand that any false state disqualification, denial, or revocation of my professional designate purpose in submitting this application, its contents, and attachm recognized professional designation as a Chief Training Officer (Conduct an interview with a peer reviewer for confirmation purpo	ements or documentation may subject me to ation credentials. I understand that the sole nents is to evaluate my qualifications for the TO). By submitting this application, I agree to		
Candidate's Signature:	Date:		

- Optional: Provide additional information that should be considered in the evaluation of the application for designation.
- All candidates must sign and date the certification statement attesting to all statements made in the application are true and completed to the best of your knowledge and also that you read and understand the Code of Professional Conduct and agree to abide by this code.
- Electronic signatures are acceptable.