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## *MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR INSTRUCTORS*

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The Certification Program offers three (3) levels of instructor certifications. Individuals with SFFMA Instructor I, II, or III certification are approved by the Certification Board to teach other departments' personnel as well as within the certifying department.

### **Instructor I**

The applicant must:

1. have served a minimum of three (3) years in a fire department, state or federal agency, educational institute, or a public or private entity devoted to fire service training and related responsibilities.
2. hold or apply concurrently for SFFMA Firefighter I.
3. have completed or hold one of the following:
  - a. Methods of Teaching course for the Fire Service;
  - b. NFPA 1041: Instructor I;
  - c. Bachelor's Degree in any field;
  - d. Texas Teaching Certification; or
  - e. Any Board-approved comparable educational instructional course

Level II Instructor certifications with an effective date prior to June 1, 2008 are grandfathered into the Instructor I certification.

### **Instructor II**

The applicant must:

1. meet all qualifications for, and hold or apply concurrently for the following SFFMA certificates:
  - a. Firefighter I; and
  - b. Instructor I
2. have completed or hold one of the following:
  - a. NFPA 1041: Instructor II;
  - b. TCFP Instructor II certification;
  - c. Bachelor's Degree in Education; or
  - d. Texas Teaching Certification

### **Instructor III**

The applicant must:

1. meet all qualifications for, and hold or apply concurrently for the following SFFMA certificates:
  - a. Firefighter I; and
  - b. Instructor I Certification; and
  - c. Instructor II Certification
2. have completed or hold one of the following:
  - a. NFPA 1041: Instructor III;
  - b. TCFP Instructor III certification;
  - c. Bachelor's Degree in Education; or
  - d. Texas Teaching Certification