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Idaho State Police

Officer Standards & Training (POST) Council

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196. EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER CERTIFICATION.

197. GENERAL PROVISIONS.

01. Certificates and Awards. Certificates and awards may be presented by the Council for the purpose of recognizing or raising the level of competence of emergency communications officers and to foster cooperation among the Council, agencies, groups, organizations, jurisdictions, and individuals. (4-2-03)

02. Purpose. Basic, Intermediate, and Advanced Certificates are established for the purpose of fostering professionalism, education, and experience necessary to perform adequately the duties of an emergency communications officer.

03. Property. Certificates and awards remain the property of the Council and are only valid as long as the emergency communications officer is appointed as an Idaho emergency communications officer by a duly constituted Idaho agency which receives initial or transferred 911 telecommunications and has not been decertified. (3-29-10)

04. Eligibility. To be eligible for the award of a Basic, Intermediate, Advanced certificate, each applicant shall be a public safety telecommunicator appointed by a duly constituted Idaho agency which receives initial or transferred 911 telecommunications from the public in Idaho. (4-2-03)

05. Applications. All applications for award of the Basic, Intermediate, Advanced, Supervisor, Master, or Management Certificates shall be completed by the applicant on the prescribed form "Application for Certification" as provided by the POST Council. (4-2-03)

06. Submission. The Application for Certification form shall be submitted by the applicant to their agency head who shall review it for accuracy prior to signing it and forwarding it to the Council. Certificates shall be issued to the agency head for award to the applicant. (4-2-03)

07. Training. Training not listed on the applicant's Idaho POST training record shall be supported by copies of certificates, course outlines, or other verifying documents attached to the application. (4-2-03)

08. Minimum Standards. Each applicant shall meet the minimum standards for employment as provided in Sections 050, 051, 052, 054, 055, 056, 057, 58, 059, 061, and 062. (3-29-12)

198. EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER EXPERIENCE.

Emergency communications officer experience, as used herein, means actual time served as an emergency communications officer with a duly constituted agency which receives initial or transferred 911 telecommunications from the public in Idaho. The acceptability of time served as an emergency communications officer in a jurisdiction other than the state of Idaho, or in a jurisdiction which does not

comply with the minimum standards for employment as set forth in Sections 050, 051, 052, 054, 055, 056, 057, 058, 059, 061, and 062, shall be subject to the determination of the Council. (3-29-12)

199. BASIC CERTIFICATE.

01. Requirements. In addition to the requirements set forth in Section 197 of these rules, the requirements in Section 199 are necessary for award of the Basic certificate. (4-2-03)

a. The applicant shall have satisfactorily completed a minimum of eighty (80) hours of POST certified communications-related training, which shall include the ILETS Classification Level I certificate. (4-2-03)

200. INTERMEDIATE CERTIFICATE.

01. Requirements. In addition to the requirements set forth in Section 197 of these rules, the requirements in Section 200 are necessary for award of the Intermediate certificate. (4-2-03)

a. The applicant shall possess, or be eligible to possess, a Basic certificate. (4-2-03)

b. The applicant shall have satisfactorily completed a minimum of one hundred twenty (120) hours of POST-certified training. (4-2-03)

c. The applicant shall have at least six-thousand, two-hundred and forty (6240) hours of public safety telecommunicator experience. (4-2-03)

201. ADVANCED CERTIFICATE.

01. Requirements. The Advanced Certificate is for individuals who have consciously decided to focus career efforts on public safety telecommunications. A candidate for the Advanced Certificate shall: (3-29-12)

a. Possess the Intermediate Certificate. (4-2-03)

b. Have satisfactorily completed five hundred (500) hours of POST-certified communications-related training. (4-2-03)

c. Have satisfactorily completed the POST Basic Dispatch Academy or a Council approved equivalent. (3-29-12)

d. Have a minimum of twenty-thousand, eight-hundred (20800) hours of emergency communications officer experience. (4-2-03)

02. Exception. An applicant who has a minimum of forty-one thousand, six-hundred (41600) hours of emergency communications officer experience but has not satisfactorily completed the POST Basic Dispatch Academy, or a Council approved equivalent, shall be eligible for the Advanced Certificate provided they meet all other requirements as set forth in Section 201 of these rules and can pass the final examination for the academy with a minimum score of seventy-five percent (75%).

The applicant shall be allowed two (2) attempts to pass the examination. The attempts shall be no less than thirty (30) days apart and no more than six (6) months apart. If an applicant fails both attempts or fails to retake the examination within six (6) months, they shall successfully complete the POST Basic

Dispatch Academy, or a Council approved equivalent, to be eligible for the Advanced Certificate. (3-29-12)

03. Training. Higher Certification sections 106 through 108 may also be applied to certification levels within the applicable emergency communications officer certificate levels.