Questions & Answers

Locate certification records

Q) I’ve taken a certification class but the certification is not showing up on my transcript summary?
A) The most common cause of a certification not showing up is failing to meet all the prerequisites of a certification. For instance, Fire Officer I has a prerequisite of Fire Service Instructor I. If a person is issuing the Fire Service Instructor I, then the Fire Officer I will not show up on their certification summary transcript.

Q) Where can I find my transcript?
A) Transcripts can be viewed and printed from the following link: 

Q) If I notice that a class is missing from my OSFM complete transcript, what should I do?
A) If it has been over 90 days, you must contact the delivery agency where the class was attended. The school director will then verify the record and report it to our office.

Qualifications and Instructor

Q) Where can I find class lesson plans and practical skills?
A) Lesson plans and practical skills can be found here: 
http://www.ncdoi.com/OSFM/Fire_Rescue_Commission/Default.aspx?field1=Delivery_Agencies_and_Instructors_-_Courses&user=Delivery_Agencies_and_Instructors

Q) What are the prerequisites for Instructor Certifications?
A) Fire Instructor prerequisites can be found here:

Q) What can an Instructor I or Instructor II teach?
A) Instructor I or/and II are allowed to teach non-certification classes. NC Certification Classes can only be taught by a subject matter Qualified Instructor II.

Q) How long do I have to wait to become a qualified instructor once I’m done with my Instructor certification?
A) It varies with each subject. Check out the following link:

Q) Once I’m done with my Instructor certification, I’m required to take an Indoctrination class?
A) Yes.

Indoctrination Class
This class is designed to teach new instructors the North Carolina Fire/Rescue Certification delivery system and instructor qualification process. Indoctrination class is a requirement before a new instructor can sign up for a Qualification School or a Field Tested Qualification. The prerequisite for this class is Instructor II certification. This class will meet the following objectives:
1. Learn the NC Statutes and regulatory agencies and systems
2. Learn the NC FRC policy and procedures
3. Understanding process, development, and intent of the NC Lesson Plan and Practical Skills
4. Learn what to do and not do through case studies
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Sign up here:

Select “Category” and then “Direct Delivery” for the next or closet Indoctrination Class.

Q) Where can I find information on Qualification School and the schedule?
A) Information on Qualification School and the schedule can be found using the following link:

Q) Where can I find information on Live Burn Qualification Classes?
A) Live Burn Qualification can be found at the following link:

National Fire Academy North Carolina Weekend

Q) Where do I find information about NFA NC Weekend at Emmittsburg, MD?
A) You can find this information at the following link:

Special Schools

Q) How do I find information on Special Schools offered through OSFM?
A) You can find this information at the following link:
http://www.ncdoi.com/OSFM/Fire_Rescue_Training/Default.aspx?field1=Special_Schools
You can choose which school that you are interested in from the drop down box.

Fire Officer

Q) What are the prerequisites for Fire Officer Certifications?
A) Fire Officer prerequisites can be found here:

Ratings and Inspections

Q) Where can I find information on 9s Ratings?
A) You can find a Frequently Asked Questions section devoted to Ratings here:
http://www.ncdoi.com/OSFM/Ratings_and_Inspections/Default.aspx?field1=FAQs

Certification Classes

Q) Who can take certification classes?
A) Any person regardless of race, sex, religious affiliation, etc.

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A) If it has been over 90 days, you must contact the delivery agency where the class was attended. The school director will then verify the record and report it to our office.

Reciprocity

Q) I’m moving to NC, what can I get credit/reciprocity for?
A) Reciprocity information can be found here:  

**Technical Rescuer (TR) Update**

Q) Where can I find information about the upcoming TR update?  
A) Information about the update to the NFPA 1006 2013 edition can be found here:  

Q) What are the Technical Rescuer (TR) class hours and will there be any cross over credit?  
A) Class hours and crossover credit information can be found here:  

Q) I have had several students that were working towards their TR certification, but did not complete by the end of the year. Please let me know which classes will transfer and which ones will not, if you were not certified by the end of 2015.  
A) Students that did not finish at least one TR certification will have to complete all requirements needed for the new TR Veh (Technical Rescuer Vehicle) including the Technical Rescuer NFPA 1006 2013 edition. Please see the link below for all cross credits pertaining both certificates.  

Q) Since TR General is going to be done away with, what replaces it?  

Q) I am currently qualified in TR General. What can I do to continue teaching?  
A) Any instructor that was TR General Qualified and TR Ropes Certified by 12/31/15 will have the five year waiting period waived until January 1, 2018. You must complete TR Ropes Certification and then the Technical Rescuer Qualification.

Q) I am currently qualified in TR VMR. What can I teach?  
A) As of January 1, 2016 provided if they attend the upgrades, they will be able to deliver the vehicle rescue program.

Q) What is the time frame for students to complete the current TR General Certification program?  
A) Anyone taking TR General certification classes needs to be completed by December 31, 2015 and then TR Ropes needs to be completed by the adoption of the new rewrite of 1006 by the Certification Board.

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