

**Sec. 28-30-3. Types of certificates and requirements**

Two types of public safety telecommunicator instructor certificates are issued by the Office of State-Wide Emergency Telecommunications: Public Safety Telecommunicator Instructor Level I and Public Safety Telecommunicator Instructor Level II. The Public Safety Telecommunicator Instructor Level I certificate shall be valid for a period of one year. The Public Safety Telecommunicator Instructor Level II certificate shall be valid for a period of three years. An applicant who has met the minimum requirements shall be entitled to receive one of the following certificates:

(a) **Public Safety Telecommunicator Instructor - Level I.** To receive a Public Safety Telecommunicator Instructor Level I certificate, an applicant shall present evidence of meeting the following minimum requirements:

(1) A High School Diploma or equivalent or a waiver of such requirement based upon experience or training, by the Office of State-Wide Emergency Telecommunications;

(2) Evidence of successful completion of a Teaching or Instructors Methods Course or its equivalent as approved by the Office of State-Wide Emergency Telecommunications; and

(3) No less than two (2) years experience in emergency telecommunications or an area of telecommunications or communications which has a direct bearing on emergency telecommunications principles or practices. Specialized or advanced training in a functional area of telecommunications or communications may be substituted for experience on the basis of fifteen (15) college semester hours equalling one-half (1/2) year of experience to a maximum of one (1) year.

(b) **Public Safety Telecommunicator Instructor - Level II.** To receive a Public Safety Telecommunicator Instructor Level II certificate, an applicant shall present evidence of meeting the following minimum requirements:

(1) A High School Diploma or equivalent or a waiver of such requirement based upon experience or training by the Office of State-Wide Emergency Telecommunications; and

(2) Evidence of successful completion of a Teaching or Instructors Methods Course or its equivalent as approved by the Office of State-Wide Emergency Telecommunications; and

(3) No less than five (5) years of experience in a public safety (law enforcement, fire fighting, emergency medical service, or emergency telecommunications) capacity, of which no less than two (2) years of experience shall be in emergency telecommunications. Experience in emergency telecommunications is defined as having primary responsibility for emergency telecommunications operations, or emergency telecommunications training; or performance of the duties of a telecommunicator, or as a public safety emergency communications center supervisor, or chief dispatcher, and at least one (1) year of experience in a training capacity (training officer or instructor). Experience requirements may be fulfilled with equivalent part time experience.

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