

Additional Requirements for Canadian Students

The Commission now has a rule in place that will allow any Canadian student with documented proof of successful completion of at a minimum the British Columbia Occupational First Aid Level 3 or Alberta documentation of the First Responder Level III to have met the Texas medical equivalency of the E.C.A. or the Red Cross Emergency Response course required to fulfill the Commission's medical requirements. Agencies in your Providence may require a higher level of medical training for employment. It is your responsibility to verify this information where you are wishing to be employed. You must meet the Commission's medical requirement in order to obtain your IFSAC seals. For questions regarding if your medical certification is acceptable, you must contact <u>Joyce Guinn</u> at the Texas Commission on Fire Protection (512) 936-3815.

All Canadian students <u>MUST</u> process through the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) counter at their point of exit from Canada or at their point of entry into the U.S.

- ONLINE STUDENTS: YOU WILL RECEIVE AN ORIGINAL, **SIGNED IN BLUE INK**, I-20M1 FORM FROM KILGORE COLLEGE FIRE ACADEMY VIA MAIL. IT IS SENT TO YOU ONCE PAYMENT IS RECEIVED AND IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO NOTIFY US WHEN YOU RECEIVE THE FORM.
- ONSITE STUDENTS:THE ORIGINAL **SIGNED IN BLUE INK** I-20M1 FORM IS SENT TO YOU WITH YOUR ACCEPTANCE LETTER AND IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO NOTIFY US WHEN YOU RECEIVE THE FORM.

IFSAC Seals:

Examinees that pass the Commission's Basic Structural Fire Suppression certification exam are eligible for four International Fire Service Accreditation Congress seals (IFSAC Seals): Fire Fighter I, Fire Fighter II, Hazardous Materials Awareness and Hazardous Materials Operations as long as they achieve a score of 70% or higher on each of the four (4) exam sections. If a student fails a particular exam section, they would not be eligible for the seal in that area that he or she failed. The Fire Commission has broken the written exam into the following four (4) sections:

1.	Fire Fighter I	175 questions	70% minimum pass rate
		between FF1 & FFII	
2.	Fire Fighter II		70% minimum pass rate
3.	Haz-Mat Awareness	25 questions	70% minimum pass rate
4.	Haz-Mat Operations	25 questions	70% minimum pass rate

The student must pass each of the four sections with a minimum of 70% on each section to qualify for the four (4) IFSAC seals.

The Texas Commission on Fire Protection will <u>NOT</u> send certification tests out-of-state or out-of-country. All initial and make up tests will be administered in Texas at an approved test site. For further information regarding this ruling, contact <u>Joyce Guinn</u> at the Texas Commission on Fire Protection 512.936.3815.

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