



Firefighter and Fire Instructor Equivalency

Firefighter Equivalency

You must be a current, valid firefighter in the U.S. military or another state that has a structured training program with standards equal to those in Ohio. You must submit for review a completed Equivalency Packet, which may be found http://ems.ohio.gov/ems_forms.stm.

You will submit the [Firefighter Reciprocity Application](#) and send the [Verification of Firefighter Training](#) form to the military or state certifying agency that regulates training standards.

In addition, you must submit verifications of NIMS 100 and 700 completion. If you hold an International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC) or National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications (ProBoard) certificate, please include a copy with your application packet.

Fire Instructor Equivalency

You must be a current, valid firefighter and fire instructor in the U.S. military or another state that has a structured training program with standards equal to those in Ohio, and you must have 5 years out of the preceding 7 years of experience as a certified firefighter. You must submit for review a completed Equivalency Packet, which may be found http://ems.ohio.gov/ems_forms.stm.

You will submit the [Fire Instructor Equivalency Application](#) and DMA Licensure Form yourself and send the [Verification of Fire Service Instructor Training](#) form to the military or state certifying agency that regulates training standards.

In addition, you must submit verifications of NIMS 100 and 700 completion. If you hold an International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC) or National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications (ProBoard) certificate, please include a copy with your application packet.

*There is no equivalency for Fire Instructor I or Fire Safety Inspector in Ohio.