655 IAC 1-1-9 Reciprocity for equivalent training
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Sec. 9. (a) Except as provided in subsection (d), a fire service person or non-fire service person who can provide evidence of having completed training and testing equivalent to the requirements of the board for a particular classification shall be entitled to receive that certification from the board when all other prerequisites are met.

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(b) Certification of the same level of certification by the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress or the United States Department of Homeland Security are deemed to be evidence of training and testing equivalent to the requirements of the board for that certification under the board's rules. Certifications by the National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications (Pro-Board), P.O. Box 690632, Quincy, MA 02269 that are issued within the two (2) calendar years immediately preceding the date of application for board certification shall be acceptable for purposes of reciprocal certification at the level evidenced by the Pro-Board certification.
(c) Completion of training provided by the department, as evidenced by a certificate of completion issued by the department, shall be acceptable for purposes of reciprocal certification at the level evidenced by the certificate of completion.
(d) In order to receive reciprocity for equivalent training for Instructor I and Instructor II/III certification, the applicant shall, in addition to the evidence required in subsection (a), provide evidence of having passed the Indiana reciprocity test.
(e) Reciprocal certification shall be granted to an applicant as follows:
(1) The applicant has an original certificate for the certification level from an entity whose programs are substantially similar to the programs contained in the board's current rules. Programs accredited by the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress are deemed to be substantially similar. Any seal or authenticating number on the certificate shall be intact and unaltered in any way.
(2) The applicant presents an original of the certificate or copy of the certificate that contains a statement by the applicant, under penalty of perjury, that the copy is a true and correct copy of the original to the board at the time of application.