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| I | CA Criteria for Certificate Accreditation - Type III Delegation | Certificate Assembly | April 2024 |

Proposed additions are in blue and underlined. Proposed deletions are in red and struck through.

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| Proposed Amendment(s) #: | <u>I-1</u> | Section: | II. Certification Program Administration: B. Delegation of Authority – Type III Delegation |
| Submitted by: Alton Robinson, DoD F&ES | | | |
| Comments/Reason for proposal: 1) See attached memorandum. 2) Based on the current criteria, without the added verbiage, DoD can only delegate certifying authority to another accredited entity for certification of their personnel if DoD is not accredited for the level(s) needed. | | | |

Type III Delegation - An accredited entity may delegate any or all of its certification authority for non-accredited levels to another accredited entity with the approval of Administration. [In addition, accredited entities that have a legal jurisdiction within the borders of another jurisdiction \(e.g., DOD F&ESCP, tribes\) can delegate any or all certification for accredited levels to the accredited entity of that jurisdiction.](#)

- A. Published and publicly available policy.
- B. The empowered entity has approved the delegation, and that the accredited entity receiving the delegation has sufficient resources and can continue to follow their accredited Certificate Assembly procedures in the new geographical area(s).
- C. The empowered entity must provide a signed and dated copy of a letter concerning “B” that has been submitted to IFSAC Administration.
- D. Certificates and seals will be issued under the delegated authority’s name.

Example: Entity A requests that Entity B enter Entity A’s jurisdiction to certify individuals for a level that Entity A is not accredited. Certificates will be issued under the delegated authority’s name. If Entity A later gains accreditation for that level, reciprocity may be granted. Delegation occurs whether the testing is a one-time or a multiple event.



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MEMORANDUM FOR IFSAC ADMINISTRATION

FROM: DOD Fire and Emergency Services Certification Program (F&ESCP)
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SUBJECT: DOD F&ESCP Proposed Amendment Change (Type III Delegation)

We the DOD F&ESCP have a unique situation, program and delegated responsibility. Having over 350 departments/agencies in every state and all around the world and no defined borders like a state agency highlights our program uniqueness. We are also accredited to nearly 90 firefighter professional qualification/certification levels and issue over 40K certificates a year. With all federal and many states fiscal budgets being cut and our Fire Academy having to drop courses our units have requirements that must be filled to support their national defense missions (home & abroad). Many of these locations are remotely located and have minimal resources on the installation. National Guard is considered both state and federal agency and has locations that are very limited in educational resources. Many of our larger locations are also limited to time and mission constraints and often rely on outside agencies to provide training at short notice to meet minimal qualifications for staffing. Some locations just do not have the resources to conduct training of multiple personnel and still meet minimal staffing requirements for supporting runway, structural, and other response missions.

Our proposal is to allow accredited state/higher learning agencies to enter our installations and provide training, testing and skills evaluations (cradle to grave) and issue certification once completed. This can only be considered once notification has been made to our agency (coordination) and our accreditation partners for their approval. As I mentioned earlier about funding...if a federal unit or agency can procure funding and get the request approved/signed off by a Commander or Director, that tells us this training/certification is important and has a high priority to support that unit/agencies mission.

This endeavor/proposal not only support our federal missions but supports the state agencies that would provide the training...program funds, collaboration, lasting partnerships, and enterprise relevance within our training/certification professional communities.

3. If you have any questions, please contact me at Comm (850) 866-9423, E-mail:
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