

Departement of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs - Fire Fighters Training Council General Rules - Instructor classifications and application requirements

	Current member or have been a member of an organized Michigan FD within 5yrs	Have 3 years fire suppression experience OR meets Special Instructor requirements	Have 5 years fire suppression experience OR meets Special Instructor requirements	Have 7 years fire suppression experience OR meet the Special Instructor requirements	Must have 160 hours of instructional experience in Firefighting and/or EMS related materials	Must have FF I certification to teach FF I	Must have FF II certification to teach FF I/II	Firefighter II certification	Complete Education Methodology (16-hr) course	Complete an Instructor I (40hr) course or an equivalent that meets requirements of NFPA 1041 ch 4	Complete an Instructor II (40hr) course or an equivalent that meets the requirements of NFPA 1041 ch 5	Complete Instructor Orientation (4-hr) course	*** Mentoring: Lecture (6-hrs)	*** Mentoring: Practical (6-hrs)	One lecture evaluation by FFTD representative within 24 months of approved Probationary Status	Must have completed all Probationary Instructor requirements	May instruct FF I/II courses only	** Waiver of certain prerequisites	* May instruct any Council approved course that they have successfully completed as a student unless a third-party certification is required	*May instruct any Council approved course unless a third-party certification is required	May provide instruction of any newly adopted Council courses to Instructor I level instructors	May schedule and conduct an Instructor I certification course	May serve as a mentor for Instructor I candidates	May only teach in the presence of a certified instructor	
Prob. Associate Instructor	√	√				√	√		√			√					√							√	
Associate Instructor	√	√				√	√		√			√													
Probationary Instructor I	√		√				√			√		√													√
Instructor I	√		√				√	√		√		√			√	√								√	
Instructor II	√			√	√		√	√		√	√						√	√		√	√	√	√		

* Third-party certification is required to instruct certain Council approved courses. These include, but are not limited to: 1. Introduction to Wildland Fire Suppression (L25B); 2. Wildland Fire Behavior (L26A); 3. Wildland Firefighter (L27B); 4. Wildland Urban Interface (L28B); 5. Liquid Propane Emergencies (L16A); 6. Instructor Orientation ; 7. Driver Training; 8. Courage to Be Safe

** Exception: An individual possessing a current Michigan teacher's certificate, a currently licensed EMS/IC, an individual certified as an Instructor-I through IFSAC, shall not be required to complete the current MFFTC Instructor I course. They will also be exempt from the 12-hours of mentoring. The Instructor Orientation 4-hour course must be taken prior to applying for instructor status by all prospective instructors.

*** Certified or Associate instructors desiring to upgrade to Instructor I will need to take the 40-hr Instructor I course but the 12-hrs of mentoring will be waived.

All instructors, regardless of level of certification, will be held responsible for full compliance of FFTD policies found in the IGAM located on the FFTD website.

All instructor applications must be submitted to Region Supervisor for approval by the State Fire Marshall. This application can be found in the IGAM located on the FFTD website.

IMPORTANT! All applicants and instructors, regardless of level, SHALL keep a current home address, phone number, and active email address registered with the FFTD. Your instructor status will be suspended if emails cannot be sent to you.