

ALABAMA FIRE COLLEGE AND
PERSONNEL STANDARDS COMMISSION
ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

CHAPTER 360-X-21
REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFIED PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER

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(1) Requirements

- (a) The candidate must be at least 18 years of age.
- (b) The candidate must have a high school diploma or GED certificate.
- (c) Examination. There will be an examination for state certification provided by the Alabama Fire College and Personnel Standards Commission.
 - 1. An overall score of 70% is required for the successful completion of this examination.
 - 2. Re-test may be taken after 30 days and within 12 months of course completion.
 - 3. All certification testing, to include re-testing, must be completed within 12 months of the course completion date.

(2) Administration

- (a) Scope. This standard identifies the professional levels of competence required to perform the duties of a Public Information Officers.
- (b) Purpose. The purpose of this standard is to specify in terms of performance objectives the minimum standards of professional competence required for service as a Public Information Officer. It is not the intent of this standard to restrict any jurisdiction from exceeding these minimum requirements.
- (c) General.

1. The standards for each level of professional competence shall be completed in accordance with recognized practices and procedures or as may be defined by the Alabama Fire College and Personnel Standards Commission.

2. The objectives are not required to be mastered in the order in which they appear. The Alabama Fire College shall establish the instructional priorities and the training program content to prepare individuals to meet the performance objectives of this standard.

3. The candidate for Public Information Officer shall meet all of the objectives for Public Information Officer before being certified.

(3) Objectives.

(a) The objectives of this standard are based on the ability of the Public Information Officer to demonstrate knowledge and skills as outlined in the Alabama Fire College and Personnel Standards Commission Teaching Outline for Public Information Officer, current edition.

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