

12 NCAC 10B .1202 GENERAL PROVISIONS

(a) In order to be eligible for one or more of the detention officer professional awards, a detention officer shall first meet the following preliminary qualifications:

- (1) be a full-time detention officer who holds valid general or grandfather certification. A detention officer serving under a probationary certification is not eligible for consideration. Any detention officer subject to suspension or revocation proceedings or under investigation for possible decertification action by the Commission or the North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission is not eligible for any detention officer professional awards for the pendency of the proceeding.
- (2) be familiar with and subscribe to the Law Enforcement Code of Ethics as promulgated by the International Association of Chiefs of Police including any subsequent editions or modifications thereto. A copy of the Code of Ethics may be obtained at no cost from the Sheriffs' Standards Division, North Carolina Department of Justice, Post Office Box 629, Raleigh, North Carolina 27602-0629.

(b) Employees of a North Carolina Sheriff's Office who have previously held general or grandfather detention officer certification but are presently, by virtue of promotion or transfer, serving in positions not subject to certification are eligible to participate in the Professional Certificate Program. Eligibility for this exception requires continuous employment with the sheriff's office from the date of promotion or transfer from a certified position to the date of application for a professional certificate.

(c) Only training and experience gained in an officer's area of expertise shall be eligible for application to this program.

(d) Certificates shall be awarded based upon a formula which combines formal education, training, and actual experience as a detention officer. Points are computed in the following manner:

- (1) each semester hour of college credit shall equal one education point and each quarter hour shall equal two thirds of an education point. No correspondence or vocational courses shall be credited towards education points unless an accredited institution, as set out in 12 NCAC 10B .1204(b), credits the course(s) towards a degree;
- (2) twenty classroom hours of commission-approved training shall equal one training point; and
- (3) experience as a member of a correctional or detention facility in North Carolina as defined in Rule .0103(6) of this Subchapter is acceptable for consideration;

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