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## **RULE ADOPTIONS**

### **COMMUNITY AFFAIRS DIVISION OF FIRE SAFETY**

43 N.J.R. 1591(b)

#### **Adopted Amendments: [N.J.A.C. 5:74-2.3](#) and [2.4](#)**

#### **Certification of Fire Protection Equipment Contractors**

Proposed: March 21, 2011 at [43 N.J.R. 706\(a\)](#).

Adopted: June 16, 2011 by Lori Grifa, Commissioner, Department of Community Affairs.

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**Summary** of Public Comment and Agency Response:

**No comments were received.**

#### **Federal Standards Statement**

No Federal standards analysis is required because the adopted amendments are not being adopted in order to implement, comply with, or participate in any program established under Federal law or under a State law that incorporates or refers to Federal law, standards or requirements.

**Full text** of the adoption follows:

5:74-2.3 Requirements for certification

(a)-(b) (No change.)

(c) Examination requirements shall be administered by the National Institute For Certification In Engineering Technologies (NICET) and the National Association of Fire Equipment Distributors (NAFED) using testing criteria and procedures adopted in this chapter. Minimum passing test scores shall conform to NICET and NAFED standards. Retesting shall follow NICET and NAFED requirements and guidelines. All NICET and NAFED examination fees, certification fees, renewal fees, and program delivery fees are solely those of NICET and NAFED, and are authorized by this chapter to be

collected separate from the fees established by this chapter. The Contractor Certification and Emblems Unit within the Division of Fire Safety may administer examinations on behalf of NICET and NAFED.

(d) The following certification requirements are hereby established for the fire protection contractor classifications:

1. An All Fire Protection Equipment Contractor shall have a valid Level II certification issued by NICET in the following areas: Fire Alarm Systems, Inspection and Testing of Water-based Systems, and Special Hazards Suppression Systems, and successfully pass the Water-based Fire Protection System Layout Level 1 examination. Additionally, an All Fire Protection Equipment Contractor shall successfully pass the "Portable Fire Extinguisher Technician" and "Restaurant Fire Suppression System" examinations administered by NAFED.

2. A Fire Sprinkler System Contractor shall have a valid Level II certification issued by NICET in the following areas: Inspection and Testing of Water-based Systems, and successfully pass the Water-based Fire Protection System Layout Level 1 examination.

3.-6. (No change.)

#### 5:74-2.4 Renewal of certifications

(a) (No change.)

(b) Recertification is achieved by accumulating a prescribed number of continuing professional development points as developed and adopted by NICET, specifically Operational Policy #30, 2008 Revision, (Continuing Professional Development). Total points required for recertification are:

1.-6. (No change.)

(c) Where the certificate holder has obtained NICET certification, as required by this chapter, he or she shall submit a renewal application to NICET, meet the requirements of NICET Operational Policy #30, 2008 Revision, to obtain renewal of issued certifications, and pay the required fee as may be established by NICET.

(d)-(h) (No change.)

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