

661—251.204(100B) Certification, denial, and revocation of certification.

251.204(1) *Certification.* Upon completion of the requirements for certification, the applicant's name will be entered into the Iowa certification database maintained by the fire service training bureau for the respective level of certification and into the certification databases maintained by the Pro Board and the IFSAC. Individuals who successfully complete the certification requirements will receive an individualized certificate awarding national certification from the fire service training bureau, which will bear numbered seals from the Pro Board and the IFSAC, and additional insignia from the fire service training bureau.

251.204(2) *Denial of certification.* Certification will be denied to any applicant who fails to meet all of the requirements for the type of certification, who knowingly submits false information to the fire service training bureau, or who engages in fraudulent activity during the certification process.

251.204(3) *Revocation.* The fire service training bureau may revoke the certification of any individual who is found to have knowingly provided false information to the fire service training bureau during the certification process or to have engaged in fraudulent activity during the certification process. In addition, certification may be revoked by the fire service training bureau if an individual was found to have engaged in and been convicted of a felony-level crime, including but not limited to murder, arson, sexual assault, physical assault, embezzlement, and crimes committed against a fire department or its respective association.

251.204(4) *Appeals.* Any person who is denied certification or whose certification is revoked may appeal the denial or revocation. An appeal of a denial or revocation of certification will be made to the commissioner of public safety within 30 days of the issuance of the denial or revocation using the contested case procedures specified in rules 661—10.301(17A) through 661—10.332(17A).

251.204(5) *Sex offender registry.* Pursuant to 2025 Iowa Acts, House File 793, a person who has committed any crime as an adult that resulted in the requirement that the person be listed on a sex offender registry will not be certified as a firefighter and will not serve as a noncertified or volunteer firefighter.

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