

**661—93.4 (18USC926C) Annual firearms qualification—certification card.**

**93.4(1)** Qualified former law enforcement officers with the department of public safety may participate in annual firearms qualification offered by the department and, upon successful completion of the annual firearms qualification, receive proof thereof from the department. A card certifying successful completion of the annual qualification and specifying the date of the qualification shall be issued by the firearms instructor conducting the qualification on behalf of the department to each qualified former law enforcement officer who has successfully completed the qualification. A card certifying successful completion of the qualification shall be issued by department personnel only to a qualified former law enforcement officer with the department who successfully completes the annual firearms qualification under the auspices of the department. Participation in annual firearms qualification offered by the department is restricted to qualified former law enforcement officers with the department who are residents of the state of Iowa at the time of the qualification.

NOTE: Any qualified former law enforcement officer with the department may participate in annual firearms qualification offered by a certified firearms instructor other than under the auspices of the department. A card to certify proof of successful completion of annual firearms qualification may be issued only by the firearms instructor who conducts the qualification.

**93.4(2)** Annual firearms qualification shall be offered periodically and at various locations in the state to qualified retired and former officers of the department who reside in Iowa. All qualified former law enforcement officers with the department who have provided a current active e-mail address to the department shall be notified by e-mail when firearms qualification or firearms familiarization training is being offered to current peace officer members of the department of public safety. While the department will make a good-faith effort to notify all qualified and former peace officer members of the department who reside in Iowa of the availability of such training, it is the responsibility of each qualified former peace officer member of the department to inquire about such training if the qualified former peace officer wishes to use the qualification or training to obtain the annual certification of firearms qualification required under 18 U.S.C. §926C.

**93.4(3)** A qualified former law enforcement officer with the department who resides in Iowa shall be offered the opportunity to participate in annual firearms qualification at no cost to the qualified former officer, except that any former officer of the department who participates in annual firearms qualification offered under the auspices of the department shall supply any firearm, ammunition, or equipment required to be used in the qualification.

**93.4(4)** A qualified former law enforcement officer with the department residing in Iowa who plans to participate in firearms qualification or firearms familiarization training offered by the department should inquire via e-mail to the department prior to the qualification or training as to what information and material the qualified former peace officer is required to provide at the training, and the department will provide notification of this information via return e-mail. An application form for an annual firearms qualification shall be provided electronically to the qualified former peace officer member as an attachment to the e-mail. The qualified former peace officer member shall complete the application form and submit it to the instructor prior to the start of the qualification or training.

**93.4(5)** An instructor supervising annual qualification or training on behalf of the department shall refuse to admit a former law enforcement officer with the department to the qualification session or training if the former law enforcement officer with the department is not a resident of the state of Iowa at the time of qualification or the instructor knows that the former law enforcement officer with the department does not meet the requirements for possession of a firearm under state or federal law or is otherwise unable to meet the requirements to be a qualified former law enforcement officer under the provisions of 18 U.S.C. §926C. An instructor may refuse to admit any qualified former law enforcement officer with the department to an annual firearms qualification if, in the judgment of the instructor, participation in the session by the qualified former law enforcement officer would be unsafe.

**93.4(6)** If the qualified former law enforcement officer with the department satisfies the requirements for annual firearms qualification, the instructor shall complete and issue to the qualified former law enforcement officer an annual firearms qualification certification card on a form provided

by the department. If the former law enforcement officer with the department fails to attain a qualifying score, the instructor shall so notify the former law enforcement officer with the department.

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