501—3.3(80B,80D) Minimum standards for certifying courses. The level I and level II academies will meet the requirements of nondegree programs under the federal veterans educational assistance Acts.

3.3(1) The standard certifying courses at an approved law enforcement training facility are:

a. Level I academy, consisting of at least 640 hours, with a minimum of 224 hours practical application including real world scenario-based training led by approved instructors or delivered through academy-approved online training modules; and

b. Level II academy, consisting of at least 440 hours, with a minimum of 154 hours practical application including real world scenario-based training led by approved instructors or delivered through academy-approved online training modules.

3.3(2) Alternative certifying courses at an approved law enforcement training facility consist of written assessments and skills proficiency led by approved instructors, including:

a. Certification through examination (out-of-state reciprocity);

b. Military or federal reciprocity; and

c. Reserve officer training.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 80B.11(1)*"a," "b," "d,"* and *"e"*; 80D.4A; and 80B.11B(4).

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