

10. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed rule changes for acceptance of Texas Engineering Extension (TEEX) ProBoard certification, including but not limited to the following:
 - d. Title 37 TAC, Chapter 433, Minimum Standards for Driver/Operator-Pumper, §433.1, Driver/Operator-Pumper Certification, §433.3, Minimum Standards for Driver/Operator-Pumper Certification, §433.5, Examination Requirements, and §433.7, International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC) Seal.

CHAPTER 433

MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR DRIVER/OPERATOR-PUMPER

§433.1 Driver/Operator-Pumper Certification.

A driver/operator - pumper is defined as an individual who safely operates a fire pumper in accordance with all state and local laws; operates a fire pump in a safe manner; and determines effective fire stream calculations and pump discharge pressures. Responsibilities include routine apparatus tests, maintenance, inspections, and servicing functions.

§433.3 Minimum Standards for Driver/Operator-Pumper Certification.

(a) In order to obtain Driver/Operator-Pumper certification, the individual must:

- (1) hold certification as Structural Fire Protection Personnel, Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting Personnel, or Marine Fire Protection Personnel; and
- (2) possess valid documentation **as a Driver/Operator-Pumper** ~~[of accreditation]~~ from **either** the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress **or the Pro Board Fire Service Professional Qualifications System issued by the Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service** ~~[as Driver/Operator-Pumper]~~; or
- (3) complete a **commission** ~~[Commission-]~~ approved Driver/Operator-Pumper Curriculum and successfully pass the **commission** ~~[Commission]~~ examination as specified in Chapter 439 of this title (relating to Examinations for Certification). An approved driver/operator-pumper program must consist of one of the following:
 - (A) complete a **commission** ~~[Commission-]~~ approved Driver/Operator-Pumper Curriculum as specified in Chapter 7 of the **commission's** ~~[Commission's]~~ Certification Curriculum Manual.
 - (B) complete an out-of-state training program that has been submitted to the **commission** ~~[Commission]~~ for evaluation and found to be equivalent to or exceeds the **commission** ~~[Commission-]~~ approved Driver/Operator-Pumper Curriculum.
 - (C) complete a military training program that has been submitted to the **commission** ~~[Commission]~~ for evaluation and found to be equivalent to or exceeds the **commission** ~~[Commission-]~~ approved Driver/Operator-Pumper Curriculum.
- (b) Out-of-state or military training programs, which are submitted to the **commission** ~~[Commission]~~ for the purpose of determining equivalency, will be considered equivalent if all competencies set forth in Chapter 7 (pertaining to Driver/Operator-Pumper) of the **commission's** ~~[Commission's]~~ Certification Curriculum Manual are met.

§433.5 Examination Requirements.

- (a) Examination requirements of Chapter 439 of this title (relating to Examinations for Certification) must be met in order to receive driver/operator-pumper certification.
- (b) Individuals will be permitted to take the Commission examination for driver/operator-pumper by documenting, as a minimum, completion of the NFPA 1001 Fire Fighter I training, and completing a Commission-approved driver/operator-pumper curriculum.

§433.7 International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC) Seal.

- (a) Individuals holding a current commission Driver/Operator-Pumper certification received prior to March 10, 2003, may be granted an International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC) seal as a Driver/Operator-Pumper by making application to the commission for the IFSAC seal and paying the applicable fees.
- (b) Individuals completing a commission-approved driver/operator-pumper program; documenting, as a minimum, an IFSAC seal for Fire Fighter I; and passing the applicable state examination may be granted an IFSAC seal as a Driver/Operator-Pumper by making application to the commission for the IFSAC seal and paying applicable fees.