

Chief Executive Officer

101.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy identifies the education, experience or certifications desired for the Fire Chief.

101.2 POLICY

It is the policy of the Fresno County Fire Protection District to have a highly qualified Chief Executive Officer.

101.3 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Higher-level college degrees in public or business management, completion of the National Fire Academy Executive Fire Officer (EFO) and the Center for Public Safety Excellence Chief Fire Officer (CFO) programs as well as experience in chief officer positions enhance the professional credibility of candidates for the rank of Fire Chief.

101.4 CERTIFIED FIRE CHIEF

The Peer Assessment for Chief Executive (PACE IV) certification established by the OSFM is a desired qualification. Certified Fire Chief status may be achieved through the California Office of the State Fire Marshal (OSFM) by acquiring a PACE IV certification, holding a chief officer rank for a minimum of one year and completing the application process described in the training manual. The certification requirements are described in the State Fire Training Procedures Manual.