



# Higher Level Certifications at a Glance



This quick reference guide is for the requirements of higher-level certification in Idaho. For complete qualification details, please refer to [IDAPA 11.11.01.070](#). In the charts below: find your desired certificate, your current discipline, and consult the years of service line relevant to you.

- \* Full-Time experience in the relevant discipline
- \*\* Must be a basic academy in the relevant discipline
- \*\*\* 1 semester college credit = 20 POST training hours  
Credits must be from a regionally accredited college

## Intermediate Certification

### Peace Officer, Detention Deputy, and Misdemeanor Probation:

Years of Service*	Education	POST Training Hours
2	Baccalaureate Degree	POST Basic Academy**
4	Associate Degree	
4	The hours requirement to the right can be a combination of College Credits*** and POST Training Hours	1,800 hours
5		1,600 hours
6		1,200 hours
7		800 hours
8 or more		600 hours

### Juvenile Detention and Juvenile Probation:

Years of Service*	Education	POST Training Hours
2	Baccalaureate Degree	POST Basic Academy**
4	Associate Degree	
4	The hours requirement to the right can be a combination of College Credits*** and POST Training Hours	1,000 hours
5		800 hours
6		600 hours
7		400 hours
8 or more		200 hours



# Higher Level Certifications at a Glance



## Emergency Communication:

- Complete a POST Basic Academy\*\*
- Must have a minimum of 120 hours
- Must have a minimum of 3 years full-time emergency communications experience

## Advanced Certification

### Peace Officer, Detention, and Misdemeanor Probation:

Years of Service*	College Education	POST Training Hours
4	Master's Degree or PHD	POST Basic Academy**
6	Baccalaureate Degree	
8	Associate Degree	
8	60 credits	1,200 hours
9	45 credits	900 hours
10	40 credits	800 hours
11	30 credits	700 hours
12	20 credits	600 hours
13 or more	15 credits	500 hours

## Emergency Communications:

- Complete a POST Basic Academy\*\*
- Must have a minimum of 500 hours
- Must have a minimum of 10 years full-time emergency communications experience



# Higher Level Certifications at a Glance



**The breakdowns of the certifications below are cut to their most basic form. Before applying, refer to IDAPA 11.11.01.073 for full qualifications. These certifications are only available to peace officers, detention deputies, and emergency communications officers.**

## Supervisor Certificate

- Must be currently employed as a first-line supervisor for a minimum of 1 year
- Possess an intermediate or advanced certificate in your relevant discipline
- Have 100 hours of POST supervisory-level training (600+ level courses)
  - 50 of the above hours must be completed within the last 3 years immediately prior to applying

## Master Certification

- Must hold a rank below sergeant (supervisory experience does not qualify)
- Possess an advanced certificate in your relevant discipline
- Have 1,500 POST training hours (college hours can be converted)
- Must have a minimum of 15 years of full-time experience in your relevant discipline
  - Can not include any time held as a supervisor or above

## Management Certification

- Must hold a position in rank of lieutenant or higher, or equivalent title
- Must hold a POST Basic Peace Officer, Detention, or Emergency Communications certificate
- Have 100 hours of POST certified training (700+ level courses)
  - 50 of the above hours must be completed within the last 3 years immediately prior to applying