

15 U.S. Code § 2206

National Academy for Fire Prevention and Control

(a) Establishment

The Administrator of FEMA shall establish, at the earliest practicable date, a National Academy for Fire Prevention and Control. The purpose of the Academy shall be to advance the professional development of fire service personnel and of other persons engaged in fire prevention and control activities.

(b) Superintendent

The Academy shall be headed by a Superintendent, who shall be appointed by the Administrator of FEMA. In exercising the powers and authority contained in this section the Superintendent shall be subject to the direction of the Administrator.

(c) Powers of Superintendent

The Superintendent is authorized to—

- (1) develop and revise curricula, standards for admission and performance, and criteria for the awarding of degrees and certifications;
- (2) appoint such teaching staff and other personnel as he determines to be necessary or appropriate;
- (3) conduct courses and programs of training and education, as defined in subsection (d) of this section;
- (4) appoint faculty members and consultants without regard to the provisions of title 5, governing appointments in the competitive service, and, with respect to temporary and intermittent services, to make appointments to the same extent as is authorized by section 3109 of title 5;
- (5) establish fees and other charges for attendance at, and subscription to, courses and programs offered by the Academy. Such fees may be modified or waived as determined by the Superintendent;
- (6) conduct short courses, seminars, workshops, conferences, and similar education and training activities in all parts and localities of the United States, including on-site training;
- (7) enter into such contracts and take such other actions as may be necessary in carrying out the purposes of the Academy; and
- (8) consult with officials of the fire services and other interested persons in the exercise of the foregoing powers.

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