

Paragraphs (1) (j), (5) (b), and (6) (a) of Rule 6A-4.002 are amended to read:

6A-4.002 General Provisions.

(1) (a) - (i) No change. Educator's certificates.

(j) Certificates from national certification organizations.

Certificates issued by national certification organizations approved in Florida Statute or by the State Board of Education shall:

1. Be issued in a subject comparable to a Florida certification subject,

2. Require the same or higher degree level of training required for certification in that subject in Florida, and

3. Official documentation of the national certificate shall be a photocopy of the front and back of the original certificate.

(k)-(j) Alteration of certificates. The alteration of any certificate with the intent to mislead or defraud shall be sufficient grounds for revocation of the certificate. It shall be incumbent upon the certificate holder to establish evidence of the absence of intent to mislead or defraud.

(2) - (4) No Change.

(5) (a) No Change.

(b) Utilization of teaching experience. A year of full-time teaching experience may be accepted in lieu of three (3) semester hours of college credit. A maximum of three (3) years of teaching experience may be used in lieu of nine (9) semester hours of

college credit. Not more than one (1) year of teaching experience may be used in lieu of three (3) semester hours of college credit toward satisfying requirements in professional preparation. Not more than two (2) years of teaching experience may be used in lieu of six (6) semester hours of college credit toward satisfying requirements in ~~professional preparation,~~ or a specialization area. When teaching experience is used to satisfy a course requirement in a specialization area or to satisfy a subject special methods course requirement in professional preparation, the teaching experience shall be comparable to the course requirement acquired in the subject or field and at the appropriate instructional level to which it is applied.

(6) No Change.

(a) An Official Statement of Status of Eligibility shall be issued when the applicant meets requirements specified in Section 1012.56(1), Florida Statutes.

(b) - (c) No Change.

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