

CERTIFIED INTERDICTOR PROGRAM



Purpose



- Our program is designed to promote professionalization of the pro-active enforcement community through standards development and identification of distinguished specialists in the field.
- It provides a certification / re-certification process based on professional competence, knowledge, and experience.

Certification Levels



Master Interdictor

Senior Interdictor

Certified Interdictor

Requirements



- Must be an active member
- Must pass a background verification
- Must have a certain number criminal arrests at each level
- Must have appropriate number of qualifying points are each level
- Must pass a written exam (see Grandfathering exceptions).
- Must provide professional references
- Must have completed an ethics course
- Must submit appropriate fee

Certified Interdictor



- Must pass a background verification check.
- Must have made five (5) criminal arrests, verified by a supervisor or NCEA Board Member.
- Document a minimum of **80** qualifying points based on education, other professional certification and professional experience.
- Provide three professional references.
- Must complete a law enforcement ethics course.
- Application fee of **\$150.00** (US).

Certified Senior Interdictor



- Must have three (3) years in pro-active criminal enforcement.
- Must pass a written exam.
- Must have made fifty (50) criminal arrests and have located five (5) compartments, verified by a supervisor or NCEA Board Member.
- ***Substitutes***
 - Three (3) years management of a regional / state-wide interdiction team / program / taskforce or canine unit;
 - Three (3) years of instruction in interdiction techniques;
 - Having been named DIAP Officer / Instructor of the Year;
 - Having been named NCEA Interdictor of the Year;
- Document a minimum of **120** qualifying points based on education, other professional certification and professional experience.
- Must complete a law enforcement ethics course.
- Application fee of **\$250.00** (US).

Certified Master Interdictor



- Must have five (5) years in pro-active criminal enforcement.
- Must pass a written exam.
- Must have made one hundred (100) criminal arrests and have located ten (10) compartments, verified by a supervisor or NCEA Board Member.
- ***Substitutes***
 - Five (5) years management of a regional / state-wide interdiction program / taskforce or canine unit;
 - Five (5) years of instruction in interdiction techniques;
 - Having been named DIAP Officer / Instructor of the Year;
 - Having been named NCEA Interdictor of the Year;
- Document a minimum of **160** qualifying points based on education, other professional certification and professional experience.
- Must complete a law enforcement ethics course.
- Application fee of **\$350.00** (US).

Re-Certification Requirements



- Must recertify every two years.
- Must maintain NCEA member status for the two (2) years since prior certification. (Beginning in 2013.)
- Must earn **20** points in Continuing Education Credit over a two (2) year period.
 - Attending an NCEA sponsored conference – 5 points.
 - Receiving instructor certification through US FMCSA Drug Interdiction Assistance Program, US DOJ El Paso Intelligence Center or the NCEA – 5 points.
 - Additional law enforcement training / certifications – 1 point per 1/2 day of training.
- Submit supporting documents.
- Must complete ethic refresher training once every two (2) years.
- Submit a non-refundable renewal application fee of **\$40.00** (US) for basic, **\$50.00** (US) for senior and **\$60.00** (US) for master.
Membership for year of payment is included.

Exam Blue Print



- 120 questions
- Passing percentage is 80%
- 4 option multiple choice
- 7 performance domains
 - Use and Application of Canines
 - Passenger Cars
 - Commercial Motor Vehicles
 - Interdiction Case Law
 - Report Writing
 - Asset Forfeiture
 - Professionalism and Ethics

Exam Study Material



- **Drug Interdiction: Partnerships, Legal Principles, and Investigative Methodologies for Law Enforcement** by George S. Steffen, Pinellas County Sheriff's Office, Largo, Florida, USA; Samuel M. Candelaria, Albuquerque Police Department, New Mexico, USA
- **Drugs on Wheels: 2011 Summary Edition** by Gar Jensen, San Bernardino County District Attorney's Office, California, USA
- **Problem-Oriented Guides for Police Response Guides Series No. 7: Asset Forfeiture** by John L. Worrall, November 2008, U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, Washington, DC

What does this certification do for me?



- The certification identifies you as a specialist in the pro-active enforcement community and aids in court by showing that you have met a national professional standard.
- It aids in your development as an expert in court, increases your credibility when writing probable cause affidavits, increases your credibility with juries and the community you serve.

What is Grandfathering?



- Understanding that some members of the pro-active enforcement community meet or exceed the requirements for certification already, the NCEA Board during its March 2012 Meeting approved grandfathering of applicants that apply prior to December 31, 2013.
- The following requirements are waived through that date:
 - Membership length requirements.
 - Testing requirement for those meeting all other certification criteria prior to December 31, 2012.

Frequently asked questions -Answers



- A member can apply directly for the highest level for which he is eligible.
- You receive a certificate, a uniform pin and patch of your color choice. Additionally, you receive discounts on training and merchandise that can be applied on top of your regular member discounts.
- Compartment requirement can be met through training.

Frequently asked questions -Answers



- When is the test going to be offered?
 - The test will be offered beginning in early 2013.

- Where is the test going to be offered?
 - Atlanta, GA – January 2013 (Registration in November 2012.)
 - Charleston, SC – February 2013 (Registration in December 2012.)
 - Tulsa, OK – March 2013 (Registration in January 2013.)

For more information



- Non-members secure your interdiction certification packet at www.ncea314.com/certification
- Current members should log-in and see the certification tab on the member home page.
- Contact the Certification Programs Office at info@ncea314.com or (877)468-2392.