



Ohio Revised Code

Section 3737.21 Appointment, qualifications of fire marshal - vacancy.

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(A) The director of the department of commerce shall appoint, from names submitted to the director by the state fire council, a fire marshal, who shall serve at the pleasure of the director and shall possess the following qualifications:

(1) A degree from an accredited college or university with specialized study in either the field of fire protection or fire protection engineering, or the equivalent qualifications determined from training, experience, and duties in a fire service;

(2) Five years of recent, progressively more responsible experience in fire inspection, fire code enforcement, fire investigation, fire protection engineering, teaching of fire safety engineering, or fire fighting.

(B) When a vacancy occurs in the position of fire marshal, the director shall notify the state fire council. The council shall communicate the fact of the vacancy by regular mail to all fire chiefs and fire protection engineers known to the council, or whose identity may be ascertained by the council by the exercise of due diligence. The council, no earlier than thirty days after mailing the notification, shall compile a list of all applicants for the position of fire marshal who are qualified under this section. The council shall submit the names of at least three persons on the list to the director. The director shall appoint the fire marshal from the list of at least three names or may request the council to submit additional names.
