

**RULES
OF
THE TENNESSEE DETECTION SERVICES LICENSING PROGRAM
ALARM SYSTEMS CONTRACTORS**

**CHAPTER 0090-03
EVALUATION OF REQUISITE EDUCATION**

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0090-03-.01 APPROVED COURSES.

- (1) For purposes of licensing qualifying agents, the Commissioner shall determine on an individual basis what courses are to be accepted as “national training programs.” A nationally recognized training program is not required to be offered throughout the nation to meet this criteria. A nationally recognized training program may consist of proprietary information of an alarm systems contractor as to how its alarm systems are designed, installed, or monitored and may have enrollment restricted to its employees. The Commissioner shall have the authority to determine on an individual course basis what training programs are to be accepted as meeting this criteria.
- (2) For purposes of this Chapter of the Commissioner’s Rules, “course” shall mean a national training program as defined in paragraph (1) of this rule.
- (3) For purposes of meeting licensure requirements, a certification issued by a course shall be approved by the Commissioner.
- (4) All courses must be individually approved by the Commissioner on the basis of the course’s ability to provide relevant curriculum, the availability of the course, the quality of the course, and the reasonable cost of the course among other factors.
- (5) Applicants or licensees are encouraged to obtain prior Commissioner approval of a course before attending.

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0090-03-.04 STANDARDS FOR ACCEPTANCE OF COURSEWORK.

- (1) The Commissioner shall have the authority to review and either accept or deny credit for courses based upon the criteria established in Rule 0090-03-.01.

(Rule 0090-03-.04, continued)

- (2) Educational courses submitted for approval shall list the following:
 - (a) Title of course;
 - (b) Class length (in hours);
 - (c) Alarm classification to which course is applicable;
 - (d) Synopsis of course;
 - (e) Reference materials used with the course;
 - (f) Author and employment affiliation; and
 - (g) Related courses (if any).
- (3) Course material and information shall be submitted to the Commissioner. The Commissioner shall accept or reject the materials and information presented based upon their compliance with these rules.
- (4) All correspondence regarding materials submitted for evaluation by the Commissioner shall be considered public record. However, nothing in this rule shall adversely affect copyrighted material.
- (5) The Commissioner reserves the right to issue course approvals for periods of less than four (4) years.
- (6) Course providers shall resubmit their courses for approval at least one hundred twenty (120) days prior to the applicable expiration date. Failure to meet this deadline may result in the non-approval of a course.

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