

Association of State Floodplain Managers (ASFPM)

Certified Floodplain Manager Program (CFM[®])



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CFM[®] Program

- National program since 1999
- National program managed by ASFPM Executive Office
- CFM[®] is a registered trademark of ASFPM



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ASFPM Role

- **Set minimum national exam standards**
- **Administration of CFM® Program**
- **Provide and expand training opportunities**
- **Accredit and monitor State programs**



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Who Benefits?

- Citizens living in and/or near floodplains
- Flood insurance policy holders
- Fire/Police response and rescue
- Tax payers who pay less disaster costs



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Community Benefits

- Reduce community liability
- Safer development in your community
- Increase in local capability
- Reduce flood insurance premiums
- Reduce property damage
- Improve water quality
- Wise land-use
- “Buy-in” by citizens



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Personal Benefits

- Confidence in professional knowledge
- Professional/Public recognition
- Job advancement potential
- Motivation for continued education
- Personal satisfaction



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FACTS

- Exam can be state specific – must be approved by CBOR
- Pass rate of 75%
- As of October 2009 there are over 6,000 CFMs nationwide



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How to become a CFM®

- Submit a completed application
- Pay exam fee
- Pass exam



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EXAM

- Closed book
- 120 questions
- Multiple Choice
- True & False
- Mapping Exercise
- 70% to pass
- 3 hours to complete exam



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Exam Content

- **25% - Flood studies & Maps**
- **25% - Regulatory Standards**
- **20% - Ordinance Administration**
- **10% - General Floodplain Management Concepts**
- **10% - Flood Insurance**
- **5% - Hazard Mitigation**
- **5% - Natural and Beneficial Functions**



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Maintaining Certification

- **Certification renewed every 2 years**
- **Pay Renewal Fee**
- **Continuing Education**
 - **Attend training, workshops**
 - **Conferences**
 - **Home study courses**
 - **Web based training**



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FY-09 Activities

- **Conduct a Reliability and Validity study of the Certification Program to ensure that the exam and program accurately and consistently measure the benchmarks of professional floodplain management knowledge.**
- **Continue to build floodplain management knowledge through development of new training and educational material.**
- **Continue to work with the Accredited State Programs to ensure support for CFMs in the nation.**
- **Increase the prominence of CFMs in decision-making by local officials.**



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What CFMs Are Saying about the Program

- *Since becoming a CFM® I feel that it has opened the door for more training and more knowledge... Floodplain Management Specialist, Texas*
- *have greater credibility doing floodplain determinations due to certification... Building Code Coordinator, OH*



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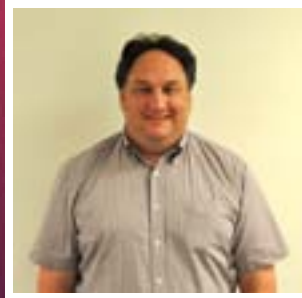
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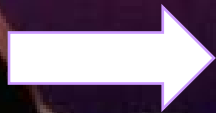
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For More Information?

- Visit the ASFPM web site www.floods.org for application, and exam study guide.
- Or Contact



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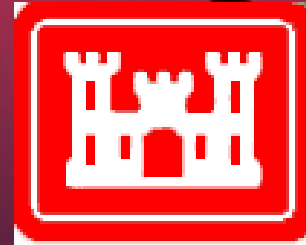


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