

AN ACT concerning fire fighters.

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
represented in the General Assembly:**

Section 5. The Illinois Municipal Code is amended by changing Section 10-2.1-14 as follows:

(65 ILCS 5/10-2.1-14) (from Ch. 24, par. 10-2.1-14)

Sec. 10-2.1-14. Register of eligibles. The board of fire and police commissioners shall prepare and keep a register of persons whose general average standing, upon examination, is not less than the minimum fixed by the rules of the board, and who are otherwise eligible. These persons shall take rank upon the register as candidates in the order of their relative excellence as determined by examination, without reference to priority of time of examination. Applicants who have been awarded a certificate attesting to their successful completion of the Minimum Standards Basic Law Enforcement Training Course, as provided in the Illinois Police Training Act, may be given preference in appointment over noncertified applicants. Applicants for appointment to fire departments who are licensed as an EMT-B, EMT-I, or EMT-P under the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Systems Act, may be given preference in appointment over non-licensed applicants.

Within 60 days after each examination, an eligibility list shall be posted by the board, which shall show the final grades of the candidates without reference to priority of time of examination and subject to claim for military credit. Candidates who are eligible for military credit shall make a claim in writing within 10 days after the posting of the eligibility list or such claim shall be deemed waived. Appointment shall be subject to a final physical examination.

If a person is placed on an eligibility list and becomes overage before he or she is appointed to a police or fire

department, the person remains eligible for appointment until the list is abolished pursuant to authorized procedures. Otherwise no person who has attained the age of 36 years shall be inducted as a member of a police department and no person who has attained the age of 35 years shall be inducted as a member of a fire department, except as otherwise provided in this division.

(Source: P.A. 89-52, eff. 6-30-95; 90-455, eff. 8-16-97; 90-481, eff. 8-17-97; 90-655, eff. 7-30-98.)