

EXAM PREPARATION GUIDE

for the

**CERTIFIED FLOODPLAIN MANAGER
PROGRAM**

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FLOODPLAIN MANAGER CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

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* Items of most importance

1. * **FEMA National Flood Insurance Program Regulations** – Recommended Sections:
 - 59 General Provisions and Definitions
 - 61 Insurance Coverage, Rates and Increased Cost of Compliance
 - 60.3 Floodplain Management Criteria
 - 65 Identification and Mapping
 - 67 Appeals from proposed Base Flood Elevations
 - 70 Map Corrections
 - 73 Section 1316 Denial of Flood Insurance

[NFIP Regulations available from the FEMA webpage www.fema.gov/business/nfip/laws1.shtm].
2. * **Flood Insurance Study, Flood Insurance Rate Maps and Flood Boundary Floodway Maps for your Community** [Available from the FEMA Map Information eXchange webpage www.msc.fema.gov or call the FEMA Map Information eXchange at (877) 336-2627 (877-FEMA-MAP)].
3. * **Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance for your Community** [Example ordinances are available from the NFIP State Coordinator in your state, contact information is available at www.floods.org/index.asp?menuID=274&firstlevelmenuID=185&siteID=1].
4. * **FEMA 480**, (2/05 or later publication), “National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Floodplain Management Requirements, A Study Guide and Desk Reference for Local Officials” [Available from the ASPFM webpage at www.floods.org/index.asp?menuID=388&firstlevelmenuID=180&siteID=1 or by mail from the FEMA Publication Warehouse (800) 480-2520].
5. * **Flood County, USA (FIRM, DFIRM, Index, FIS)**, [Available from the FEMA Publications Warehouse by calling (800) 480-2520 and referencing Pub# A-0022 or available electronically at ASFPM web page www.floods.org/index.asp?menuID=389&firstlevelmenuID=180&siteID=1].
6. **State NFIP Coordinating Agency publications** - such as RG-330/ev “Floodplain Management 101” (TNRCC, Aug 2001); RG-12 - “State of Texas Floodplain Administrators Manual,” 6/94, or “Guidebook for Local Floodplain Ordinance Administrators,” Oklahoma Water Resources Board, 01/99, (or a similar State Coordinator publication) [Available from the NFIP State Coordinator in your state, contact information is available at www.floods.org/index.asp?menuID=274&firstlevelmenuID=185&siteID=1].
7. * **MitDiv-2, FEMA Pub# 084** (5/06 or later printing) - “Answers to Questions about the NFIP” [Available from the FEMA webpage at <http://www.fema.gov/business/nfip/qanda.shtm> or ordered from the FEMA Publication Warehouse (800) 480-2520].
8. * **FEMA MT-1, FEMA Pub# 81-87 Series** (9/02 or later printing) – “Amendments and Revisions to National Flood Insurance Program Maps” [Available from the FEMA webpage <http://www.fema.gov/library/viewRecord.do?id=1492> or ordered from the FEMA Publication Warehouse (800) 480-2520].
9. **FEMA MT-2, FEMA Pub# 81-89 Series** (3/08 or later printing) – “Revisions to National Flood Insurance Program Maps” [Available from the FEMA webpage <http://www.fema.gov/library/viewRecord.do?id=1493> or ordered from the FEMA Publication Warehouse (800) 480-2520].
10. **FEMA 467-1** Floodplain Management Bulletin, Elevation Certificate, May 2004 (or later printing) [can be downloaded from the FEMA Web Page <http://www.fema.gov/library/viewRecord.do?id=1727> or ordered from the FEMA Publication Warehouse (800) 480-2520]

11. FEMA/NFIP Elevation Certificate and Instructions, FEMA 81-31, OMB No. 3067-0077, MAR 2009 (or later printing) [Elevation Certificate can be downloaded from the FEMA Web Page <http://www.fema.gov/business/nfip/elvinst.shtm> or ordered from the FEMA Publication Warehouse (800) 480-2520]
12. **FEMA 213**, (5/91 or later printing) "Answers to Questions about Substantially Damaged Buildings" [Available from the FEMA webpage <http://www.fema.gov/library/viewRecord.do?id=1636> or ordered from the FEMA Publication Warehouse (800) 480-2520].
13. **FEMA 345**, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Desk Reference (10/99 or later printing) [Available from the FEMA webpage www.fema.gov/plan/prevent/floodplain/publications.shtm or ordered from Publication Warehouse (800) 480-2520].
14. **FEMA 2010** Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) Unified Guidance (06/2009 or later printing) [Available from the FEMA webpage <http://www.fema.gov/library/viewRecord.do?id=3649> or ordered from Publication Warehouse (800) 480-2520].
15. **FEMA Technical Bulletins TB-1 through TB-11**, and "NFIP Fact Sheets" (Various dates – watch for future publications and updates) [Available from the FEMA webpage www.fema.gov/plan/prevent/floodplain/techbul.shtm or ordered from Publication Warehouse (800) 480-2520].
16. **FEMA 301** (9/03 or later printing) Increased Cost of Compliance (ICC) – "Interim Guidance for State and Local Officials", Sep 2003 (or later printing) [Available from the FEMA webpage <http://www.fema.gov/library/viewRecord.do?id=1532> (and additional ICC information at <http://www.fema.gov/plan/prevent/floodplain/ICC.shtm> or ordered from the FEMA Publication Warehouse (800) 480-2520].
17. **FEMA 268** (6/96 or latest printing) "Protecting Floodplain Resources- A Guidebook for Communities" [Available from the FEMA webpage <http://www.fema.gov/library/viewRecord.do?id=1419> or ordered from Publication Warehouse (800) 480-2520].
18. **Community Rating System (CRS) Coordinator's Manual**, FEMA Pub# FIA-15 (01/2007 or later printing) [Available from the FEMA webpage <http://www.fema.gov/library/viewRecord.do?id=2434> or ordered from Publication Warehouse (800) 480-2520].
19. **FEMA 386**, (5/05 or later printing) "State and Local Mitigation Planning – How-to Series", 1 through 8 [Available from the FEMA webpage http://www.fema.gov/pdf/fima/386-6_Front%20Matter.pdf or ordered from Publication Warehouse (800) 480-2520].
20. **State Floodplain Management Quick Guides**, AK, AL, CO, IL, MI, MO, MS, NM, SC, TX, UT; and other states [Available from the NFIP State Coordinator in your state, contact information is available at www.floods.org/index.asp?menuID=274&firstlevelmenuID=185&siteID=1].
21. **FEMA 186** – NFIP Mandatory Purchase of Flood Insurance Guidelines, Reprinted September 2007. [Available from the FEMA webpage www.fema.gov/good_guidance/documents/10040 or ordered from Publication Warehouse (800) 480-2520].

FEMA publications are available from:

FEMA Map Information eXchange: (877) 336-2627 (877-FEMA-MAP)
FEMA Publication Warehouse: (800) 480-2520
FEMA Online: www.fema.gov
NFIP: (800) 427-4661
NFIP Online: www.fema.gov/nfip
NFIP: FloodSmart.gov (888) 379-9531

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