

Flagger Program Frequently Asked Questions

Individuals:

1. Q. How do I get certified as a Flagger?

A. You must contact a Certified Entity to obtain certification. You must pass the test with an 85 percent or better. The exam is closed book.

2. Q. Where is the Certified Entity list?

A. A list of Local Entities can be found on the webpage.

The branch is updating the private industry certified entity list. Please Contact 888-639-3271 to obtain a list, or email at: dot_cdot_flagger@state.co.us

3. Q. Is there a charge to become certified?

A. Each entity has their own policies. Please contact them to obtain this information. Generally, you should not be paying for the certification; or it should be low cost.

4. Q. Can I use another state's flagger card in Colorado?

A. Yes, If your state is part of WASHTO, <http://www.washto.org/>

Or if you have a current ATSSA Certification. In class only.

Cards can be accepted if they are current. It is highly recommended that flaggers coming to Colorado, obtain a Colorado Flagger Certification, unless you hold a national certification. Upon national certification expiration, you MUST obtain a new valid State of Co. Flagger certification card, or obtain a new national card.

5. Q. How long is my Flagger card valid for?

A. Colorado Flagger cards are valid for two years from date of original certification. After the two years, flaggers must re-test with a certified entity.

6. Q. Can I transfer to another company if I Choose?

A. Yes, you can use your flagger card anywhere in Colorado until the noted expiration on the card. At such time, you must obtain a new card.

Entities:

1. Q. Does our entity have to use the new application?

A. Yes, the application meets the standard of care.

2. Q. How does an entity get a proctor?

A. Proctors, once having obtained certification, are free to transfer between companies.

3. Q. How long does it take to get certified as an entity?

A. You must be registered with the Co. Secretary of State to apply to be a certifying entity. Return the Master application found on the website. Submit a current Flagger card from an approved agency, or a current Traffic Control Supervisor's (*TCS) card from either the Colorado Contractor's Association (*CCA) or the American Traffic Safety Services Association (*ATSSA). Applications can take up to 30 days to process.

4. Q. Is there a charge for certification cards?

A. No, however you must be a certified entity to obtain cards.

5. Q. How do I train flaggers?

A. CDOT's flagger program is a four-hour course and we are developing a standard training. This includes watching the video, going through the manual, learning hands on flagger functions, and passing the proficiency test. We will introduce other training materials as we have them.

6. Q. Can my company train non-employees?

A. Yes. If you are listed as a certified entity, you can train anyone wishing to take the test. This is not limited to employees.

7. Q. Can I charge for training?

a. Yes you can. Some entities charge for the manual, others; the training time. It is your responsibility as an entity to be aware of Federal Labor Acts and Wage Labor laws.

If you are an individual or an entity, please feel free to contact our office, as this is not a complete list of questions. We are always open to questions, comments, feedback, or suggestions.