

IMA Deputy Certification Programs

The IMA Deputy Certification programs shall be available to all Indiana paid full-time and part-time Deputy Marshals. These advanced designations are designed to encourage training in those areas routinely handled by Deputies but that are not often taught to any degree of sophistication to new deputies at the basic level.

These areas include: 1) criminal investigation techniques, 2) juvenile procedure and/or treatment, and 3) interviewing and/or interrogation techniques as well as others.

Application for all designations shall be made as specified in the other IMA certification specialties.

IMA Certified Deputy Marshal

A Deputy Marshal may be designated as an IMA Certified Deputy Marshal if that applicant completes forty (40) hours of training in:

1. in-service criminal investigation skills,
2. juvenile procedure or treatment,
3. interviewing or interrogation techniques,
4. an ILEA/LETB instructor development course, or
5. another area of need within the department as certified by the Deputy's Marshal, and has been employed either full-time, or part-time, for at least two (2) years as a Deputy Marshal.

IMA Advanced Deputy Marshal

A Deputy Marshal may be designated as an IMA Advanced Deputy Marshal if that applicant:

1. completes forty (40) hours of training in two (2) of the above areas (listed under the Certified Deputy Marshal program) or eighty (80) hours in one of those areas, or
2. completes an ILEA/LETB psychomotor skills instructor course, and has been employed either full-time or part-time, for at least three (3) years as a Deputy Marshal.

IMA Master Deputy Marshal

A Deputy Marshal may be designated as an IMA Master Deputy Marshal if that applicant:

1. has attained either an IMA Certified Deputy Marshal or an IMA Advanced Deputy Marshal designation, and

2. has participated in a community service organization (not law enforcement related) such as: Lions Club, Rotary, J.C.s, Odd Fellows, Freemasonry, or a church organization, for at least three (3) years or has been an active IMA member for at least (3) years, or
3. completes the ILEA/LETB Senior Instructor school, and has been employed, either full-time or part-time, for at least five (5) years as a Deputy Marshal.

The requirements above, as with the other IMA certification specialties, can be modified by the Certification Committee to account for the different needs of applicants and their departments as well as the different demographics within the state. The length of employment requirement cannot be modified.