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TIEMS INTERNATIONAL CERTIFICATION - TQC™

**TQC™ = TIEMS Qualification Certification
In International Emergency and Disaster
Management**



SUMMARY

The International Emergency Management Society - TIEMS, believes that education, training, and international certification in emergency management and disaster response is the key to improved resilience worldwide. TIEMS has therefore launched a comprehensive international education, training, and certification program, under the motto: “Preparedness Saves Lives!”. This Document describes the background and process of the “TIEMS Qualification Certification - TQC”, from the candidate’s TQC application, through TQC compliance evaluation, to the TQC examination. The purpose of this document is to familiarize the candidates with the TQC framework, background and process.



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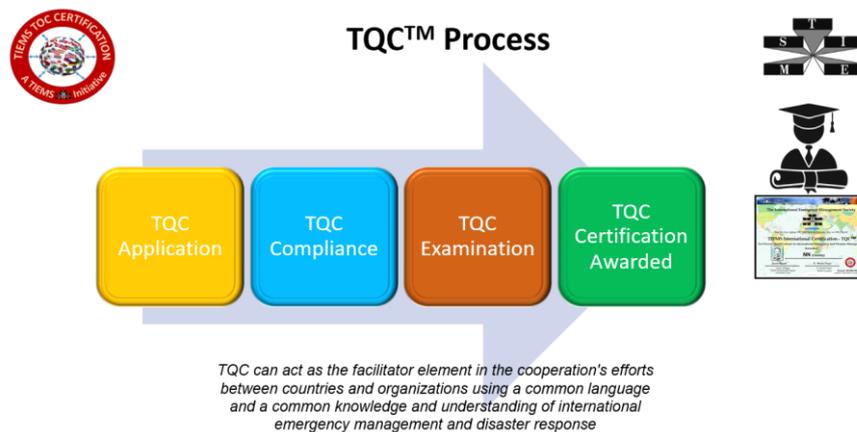
BACKGROUND

Motivation

The International Emergency Management Society - TIEMS, believes that education, training, and international certification in emergency management and disaster response is the key to improved resilience worldwide. TIEMS has therefore launched a comprehensive international education, training, and certification program, under the motto:

Preparedness Saves Lives!

This document describes TIEMS Qualification Certification - TQC™, which certifies Qualifications in International Emergency and Disaster Management. The process from the candidate's TQC application, through compliance evaluation, to the examination is described, with the purpose to familiarize the candidates with the TQC background, framework and process.



What is TIEMS Qualification Certification - TQC™?





TIEMS International Certification - TQC™



TQC For Whom:

- TQC is a certification for individual emergency managers with a nationally recognized professional certification or other individuals with documented competence and experience, practical or academic, in international emergency and disaster management
- TQC only certifies knowledge and competences about international standards, requirements, and best practices, necessary to create “an international common understanding” among those working with emergency and disaster management internationally

TQC Objective:

TIEMS Believes that an Internationally Focused Certification will:

- Promote Global Competence in Emergency Management
- Share Best Practices
- Support International Collaboration
- Lead to an International Common language, Knowledge and Understanding of Emergency and Disaster Management

<https://www.tiems.info/index.php/education/overview>

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TIEMS's long-term goal is to become an international certification body officially accredited by a recognized accreditation entity. The short-term goal was to set up the certification procedure, to implement the supporting certification web platform, and to gain experience for incrementally improving the concept. The short-term goal is reached, and the 7 first experts, coming from 6 different countries, are TQC certified. The work has now started to obtain worldwide recognition and to work towards TIEMS being officially accredited as an international certification body for the TQC certification.

Accreditation

Accreditation is a third-party attestation related to a conformity assessment body (such as certification body, inspection body, or laboratory) conveying formal demonstration of its competence to carry out specific conformity assessment tasks (such as certification, inspection and testing). An authoritative body that performs accreditation is called an 'accreditation body'. The International Accreditation Forum (IAF) and International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation (ILAC) provide international recognitions to accreditation bodies. There are many internationally recognized accreditation bodies approved by the IAF and ILAC. For most of the accreditation schemes, international standards issued by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) are used.

Why Another Certification Scheme?

Although there are several qualification and certification schemes for individual emergency managers worldwide, they mainly focus on specific countries' requirements rather than having an international focus. TIEMS Qualification Certification - TQC™, is based on the assumption, that *“the Applicant is already certified at national level, or he/she has competences and experience recognized at national or international level”*.

TQC™ only certifies knowledge and competencies about international standards, requirements, and best practices, necessary to create “an international common understanding” among those working with emergency and disaster management internationally.

The importance of international certification is recognized worldwide. An internationally focused certification will share international standards to: (1) promote global competence in emergency management; (2) share best practices; (3) support international collaboration; and (4) support the establishment of a common international understanding among those working with emergency and disaster management.

Why is this essential?

Major natural and man-made disasters often extend beyond the borders of a single country. A country hit by a disaster can launch an appeal to the international community for help when the country is unable to properly handle the disaster situation. *TIEMS Qualification Certification - TQC™ can act as the facilitator element in the cooperation's efforts between countries and organizations, through the use of a common language and a common knowledge and understanding.* Cooperation is also essential to prevention, and the exchange of good practices in prevention and preparedness is the backbone of such cooperation.

TQC™ vs. IAEM AEM®/CEM® vs. EMPS

At present, when launching TQC™, TIEMS is aware of only two consolidated and professionally accepted Certification Programs.

IAEM AEM®/CEM®

The International Association of Emergency Managers (“IAEM”) created and administers the Associate Emergency Manager (AEM®) and Certified Emergency Manager (CEM®) certification programs. The AEM® and CEM® certification programs are internationally recognized and certify that the practicing AEM® or CEM® professional has satisfied the education as applicable for the designation requirement, necessary training and experiential program requirements, and passed the examination administered by IAEM as a condition of achieving the applicable certification. TIEMS’s impression is that IAEM AEM®/CEM® is not designed to create a common language and a common understanding among those working with emergency and disaster management internationally, which is the goal of TQC™.

Some of above was quoted from the website:

(<https://www.iaem.org/certification/intro>)

EMPS & AFAC

The Emergency Management Professionalization Scheme (EMPS) exists to advance the cause of professionalization in the practice of emergency management in Australia and New Zealand. EMPS is supported by AFAC (Australian Fire and Emergency Services Authorities Council). As such, the professional standards used by the scheme are approved by AFAC and represent a national consensus on the training and experience that emergency management practitioners should demonstrate, in order to be considered proficient (at registered level) or expert (at certified level) in their roles. TIEMS’s impression is that it has some limitations as: “... *Certification is available for a select number of emergency management roles which carry the highest levels of impact and consequence*” or “... *If you are considering making an application, you should check with your organisation whether it will support you. Applicants for certification are responsible for compiling their own portfolio of supporting evidence (or obtaining permission to use a portfolio that has previously been used for an internal credential process) but will need the written endorsement of their organisation to proceed with the certification process*”. TQC™ does not have the same limitations.

Some of above was quoted from the websites:

EMPS: <https://www.emps.org.au/about-us>

AFAC: <https://www.afac.com.au/auxiliary/about>

TQC™ APPLICATION AND CERTIFICATION

TIEMS Qualification Certification is a voluntary process. First, an individual's qualifications are evaluated against standards of knowledge, skills, and experience. Qualified individuals are then eligible to take the TQC exam and become TQC certified based on the results of the exam.

TIEMS Qualification Certification Board Policies

To initiate the TQC certification process the Applicant fills in and submits the TQC Application Form available from the TIEMS web site (<https://tqcpreview.tiems.info/>). In the TQC Application Form, the applicant must confirm that he/she has read TQC Brief Introduction and the TQC Code of Conduct, and that will adhere to TQC Code of Conduct in the certification process. The Application will be evaluated and the TQC Applicant, if satisfying the TQC qualification and experience requirements, will get a “green light” to continue the certification process. If, however, the TQC Applicant is not fulfilling the compliance requirements, as described in the section “TIEMS Qualification Certification Compliance requirements”, he/she will be notified accordingly. However, the TQC is fundamentally a developmental process, so TIEMS and the TQC organization will do their utmost to facilitate the remedy of any shortcoming that an applicant might experience in relation to the TQC results. Participatory engagement between TIEMS and the TQC applicants will be facilitated wherever possible, e.g., through TIEMS education and training.



TQC™ Application Form

Welcome to the TIEMS International Certification - TQC.

Please familiarize yourself with the process and requirements of the TQC Certification by reading the following documents and check off that you have read and understood them, and that you think you meet the requirement criteria for TQC Certification and will respect the TQC Code of Conduct.

Once you are comfortable that you meet the required criteria, simply fill out below to alert us of your interest in pursuing certification.

Please be aware that **ALL fields except "State" are required**. Failure to provide a complete application may result in a summary rejection of your application.

TQC Brief Introduction I have read and understood the Introduction

TQC Code of Conduct I have read and understood the Code of Conduct

Are you a Member of TIEMS

If YES, please enter your membership code

-----and more as listed to the right

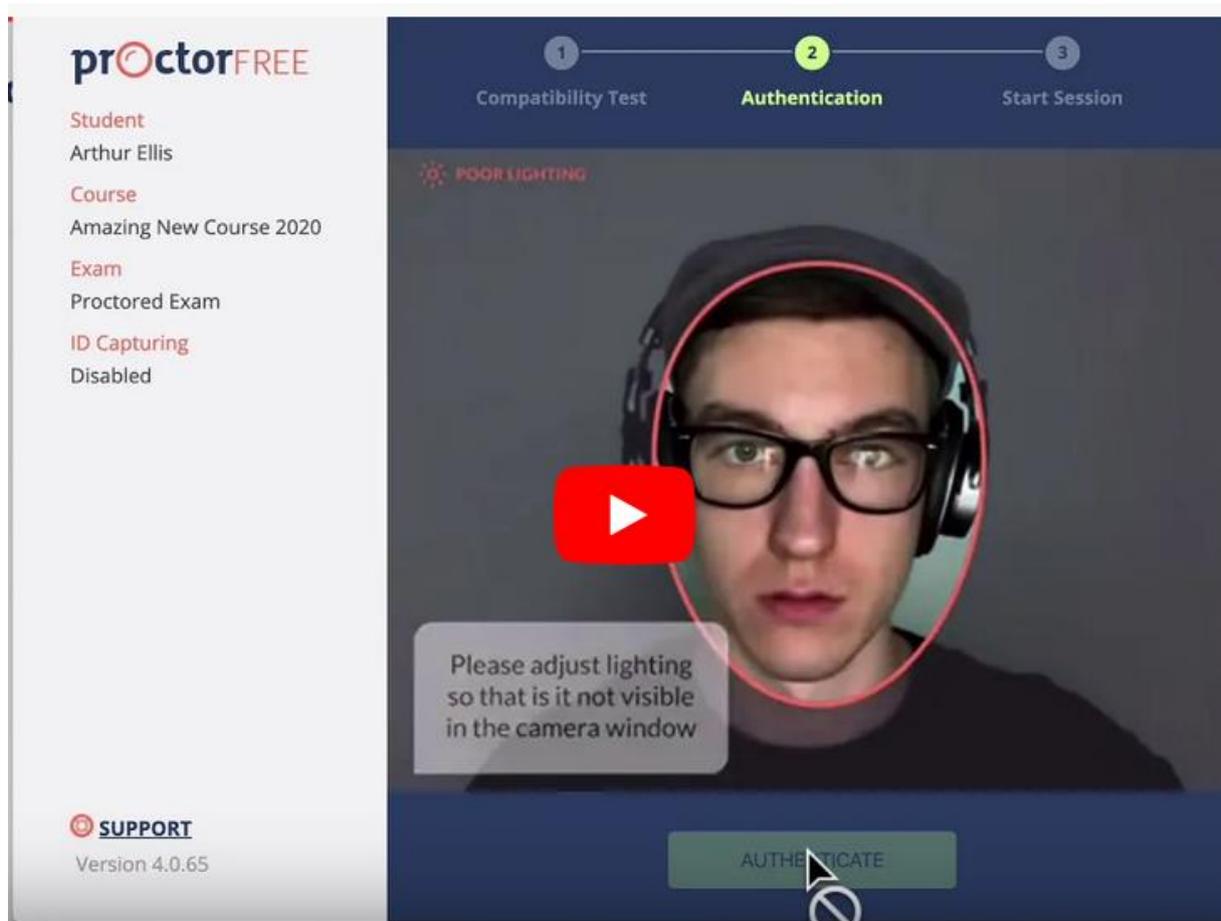
- Demographic and Contact information,
- Education Background,
- Nature of Present Work
- Specializations,
- Experience in Emergency Management during the past 20 years,
- EM Interests,
- English Language Capability,
- Motivation for Certification

Start your TQC Certification by filling out the [TQC Application Form](#)

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<https://tqcpreview.tiems.info/>

In order for the TQC candidates to take the TQC exam wherever they are worldwide, TIEMS has arranged for on-line proctoring of the TQC candidates during their examination by using the ProctorFree solution. ProctorFree is an on-demand, automated, proctoring solution designed to help institutions of higher learning and commercial organizations add layers of security and academic integrity to the online learning environment experience. ProctorFree provides an accurate identification and authentication of the TQC exam candidate. This proctoring solution is scalable, user-friendly, and cost-effective. For more information about ProctorFree, please visit www.proctorfree.com.



<https://proctorfree.com/>

The TQC Candidate must be a TIEMS Member (as defined in the [TIEMS membership plans](#) to apply for TQC and to start his/her TQC™ Certification process. After TQC certification, the candidate membership will be a TIEMS Professional Certified Member.

Re-certification

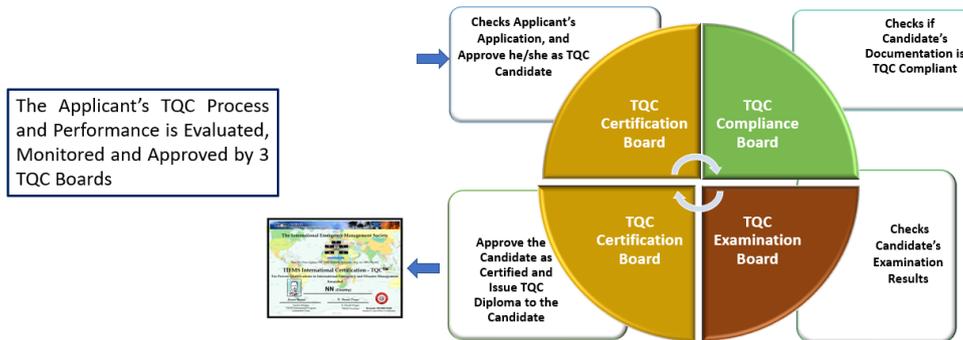
TQC is awarded for a three-year period, with re-certification efforts required prior to the end of the third year. The TQC Certification Board will notify the TQC-certified person at the beginning of their third year, asking them to submit the *Re-Certification Form* if he/she intends to maintain his/her certification. The TQC Certification Board will then evaluate the TQC-certified person's experience, activity, and education/training during the 3 years TQC certification period, and, if they continue to be qualified, issues a *Re-Certification Certificate*, or asks the candidate to take the *Re-Certification Exam*. In the latter case, the evaluation will follow the same procedure, but simpler, as with a new TQC certification.

TIEMS Qualification Certification Concept

The figure below shows how the TQC Certification Board, TQC Compliance Board, and TQC Examination Board interact with applicants during the TQC certification process.



TQC™ Candidate Evaluation



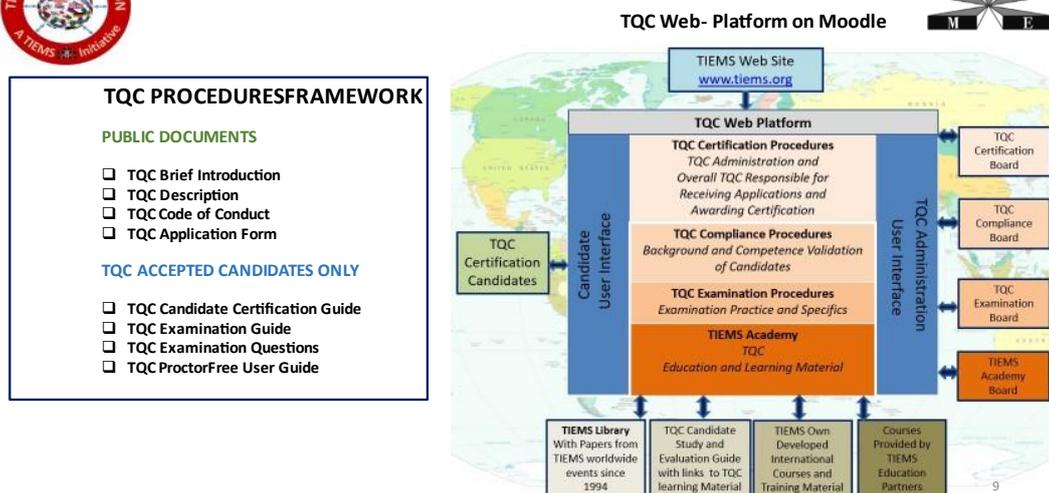
The TQC process and composition and duties of the different TQC boards are described in the following.

TIEMS Qualification Certification Process

The full TQC Certification Procedure is available for potential Applicants from the TIEMS Web-site at: [TIEMS Education and Training](#), which has a link to the TQC Certification Web Platform, as shown below with a listing of the TQC procedures framework.



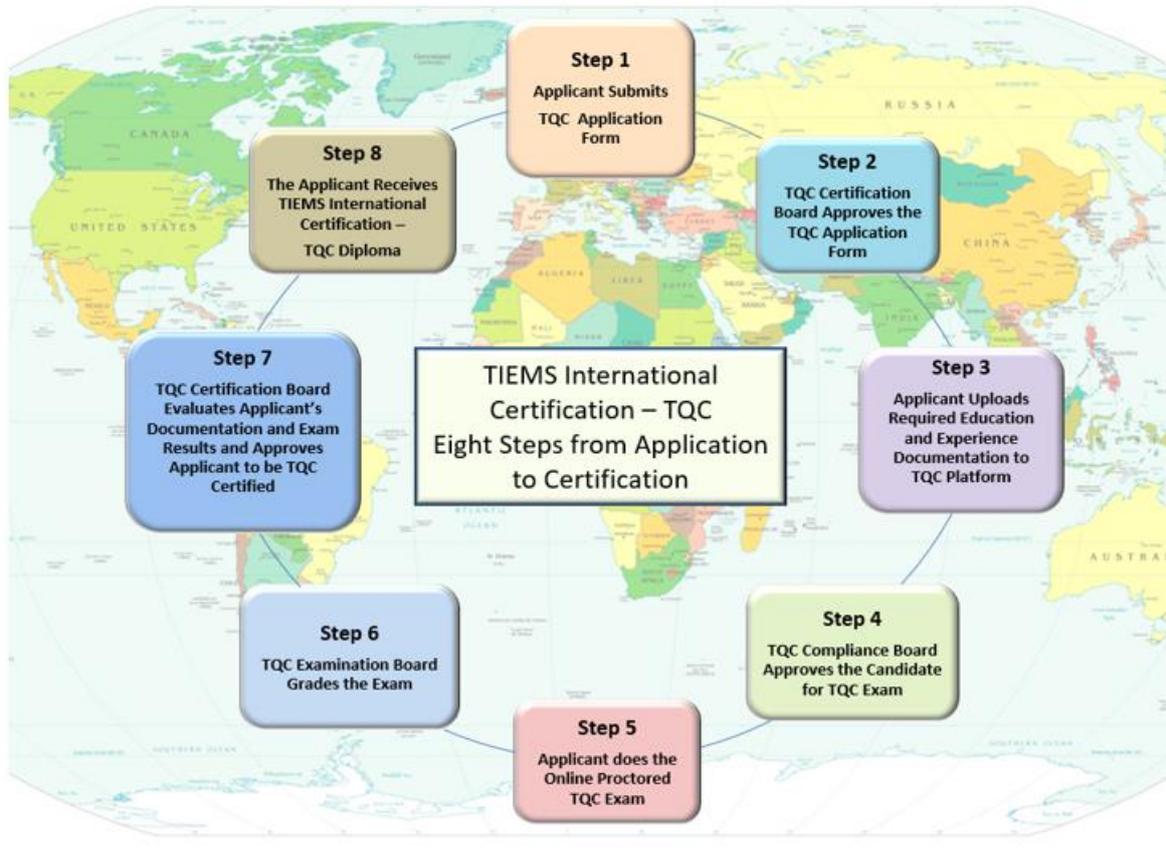
TQC™ Concept and Framework



To start the process for applying for TIEMS Qualification Certification - TQC, the candidate needs to answer the questions in the *TQC Application Form* and submit it.

The TQC Certification Board will evaluate the candidate's TQC Application Form within 7 days, and if accepted, the candidate will receive, to his/her e-mail address, a unique **Password** and **Username**, which is to be used when logging in to the TQC WEB Platform and continue the TQC application process. If the TQC Application Form is not accepted by the TQC Certification Board, the candidate will be advised on how he/she can improve his/her qualifications before applying again for TQC Certification. The TQC process is organized in 8 steps as shown in the figure below.

TQC™ – From Application to Certification



The TQC Application and Compliance Process comprises of the four first steps (1 - 4) in the full TQC certification process:

STEP 1	STEP 2 & 3	STEP 4
<p>An Applicant who decides to apply for TQC Certification interacts with TQC Certification Board by filling out the TQC Application Form available from TIEMS Web-site, and thus apply for TQC Certification.</p>	<p>The TQC Certification Board evaluates the Applicants TQC Application Form and if finding him/her qualified, sends him a “username” and “password” for getting access to the TQC Web Platform. He/she then needs to upload all the required documentation on education, participation, contribution, and competence with focus on international aspects, to the TQC Web Platform.</p>	<p>The TQC Compliance Board assesses all Applicant's documentation and follows the Compliance Rules to verify that it is compliant. If compliant, the TQC Compliance Board gives the candidate “green light” to continue the TQC certification process. If not, the TQC Compliance Board will provide feedback to the applicant to help him/her to correct deficiencies, where possible, before the candidate can continue the TQC certification process.</p>

The TQC Examination and Approval Process comprises the four last steps (5- 8) in the full TQC certification process:

STEP 5 & 6

After the candidate is found TQC compliant, the TQC Examination Board works with the candidate to set up and administer a proctored on-line exam according to the TQC Examination Guide. After the exam, the TQC Examination Board evaluates the candidates TQC examination results.

STEP 7 & 8

The TQC Certification Board assesses the Candidate's Compliance and Examination Results and decides whether to award TQC Certification to the Candidate. The TQC Certification Board completes its activity by issuing the TQC certification to the candidate and awarding him/her the TQC Diploma.

The Candidate is informed about his/her TQC examination results, and either awarded TIEMS Qualification Certification - TQC, or advised that he/she failed to pass the TQC examination. The Candidate may retake the exam, at no additional cost, within 3 months. After examination failure a second time, or Compliance deficiencies, the Candidate may be advised that he/she can reapply for TQC certification at a later stage, having improved his/her skills required by the TQC Compliance Requirements.

TQC™ Compliance and Documentation Requirements

To be eligible to take the TQC exam, a candidate should provide evidence of **education, participation, contribution, and competence**. The figure below gives an overview of TQC prerequisites:



TQC™ Certification Prerequisites



To be eligible to take the TQC exam, a candidate should provide evidence of **Education, Participation, Contribution, and Competence**

The Applicant is encouraged to identify international aspects in any of the below!

Education - One or more of the following

- i. Bachelor's degree in science, engineering, social science or emergency/disaster management specialty (International Standard Classification of Education Level 6, e.g., a bachelor's degree from a reputable university)
- ii. Minimum 50 hours of emergency/disaster management training in the last 5 years
- iii. A certification related to emergency/disaster management at the national level

Participation -

The candidate is required to have at least 3 years' experience as a first responder, volunteer, educator, leader, or other activity, practical or academic, directly involved with emergency/disaster management, in the last 6 years

Contribution - one or more of the following

- i. At least 5 publications or speaking engagements in emergency/disaster management
- ii. Participation as leader or board member of an organization that participates in emergency/disaster management
- iii. Teaching emergency/disaster management

Competence -

The candidate is required to show having competence (experience or education) in seven areas of emergency and disaster management:

- i. International Perspectives
- ii. Preparedness, Prevention, and Mitigation
- iii. Predictions and Early Warning
- iv. Emergency Operations
- v. Public Warning
- vi. Search and Rescue
- vii. Recovery and Reconstruction

TQC Code of Conduct

Read and follow the TQC Code of Conduct during the TQC Certification Process

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The following figure gives an overview of necessary documentation.



TQC™ Required Documentation



- A Curriculum Vitae (CV), showing the candidate's educational and professional experience
The CV should cover:
 - a) Address and contact information
 - b) Work experience
 - c) Education and training
 - d) Language skills
 - e) Other information the candidate wishes to include
- Copies of Degree Diplomas, Program Certificates, and Course Completions
- Copies of Certifications Related to Emergency and Disaster Management
- Evidence of Publications, Presentations, Teaching, or Leadership
- A professional reference describing the candidate's participation in emergency/disaster management activities
- Additional Background and Experience Documentation
- A Competence Area Summary, Demonstrating Knowledge in the Following 7 Competence Areas:
 - a) International Perspectives
 - b) Preparedness, Prevention, and Mitigation
 - c) Predictions and Early Warning
 - d) Emergency Operations
 - e) Public Warning
 - f) Search and Rescue
 - g) Recovery and Reconstruction

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Details are outlined below.

Education

The candidate is required to meet **one or more** of the following requirements:

1. Bachelor's degree in science, engineering, social science, or emergency/disaster management specialty (International Standard Classification of Education Level 6, e.g., a bachelor's degree, from a reputable university)
2. 50 hours of emergency/disaster management training in the last 5 years
3. A certification related to emergency/disaster management at the national level

To demonstrate they meet one or more of these requirements, the candidate should upload, as appropriate:

- A curriculum vitae (CV), showing the candidate's educational and professional experience.
The CV should cover:
 - ✓ Address and contact information
 - ✓ Work experience
 - ✓ Education and training
 - ✓ Language skills
 - ✓ Other information the candidate wishes to include
- Copies of course diplomas or certificates
- Copies of certifications related to emergency and disaster management

Participation

The candidate is required to have at least 3 years experience as a first responder, volunteer, educator, leader, or other activity, practical or academic, directly involved with emergency/disaster management, in the last 6 years.

If a candidate's CV does not clearly demonstrate that they meet these requirements, the candidate should upload additional documentation as appropriate, for example:

- Evidence of emergency/disaster management activities
- A professional reference describing the candidate's participation in emergency/disaster management activities.

Contribution

The candidate is required to show one or more of the following:

- At least 5 publications or speaking engagements in emergency/disaster management
- Participation as leader or board member of an organization that participates in emergency/disaster management
- Teaching emergency/disaster management

If a candidate's CV or previously uploaded documentation does not clearly demonstrate meeting these requirements, the candidate should upload additional documentation as appropriate, such as:

- Evidence of publications or presentations in emergency/disaster management
- Links or documents showing candidate's participation in an emergency/disaster management organization
- Descriptions of courses taught in emergency/disaster management.

Competence

The candidate is required to show they have competence (experience or education) in seven areas of emergency and disaster management:

1. International Perspectives
2. Preparedness, Prevention, and Mitigation
3. Predictions and Early Warning
4. Emergency Operations
5. Public Warning
6. Search and Rescue
7. Recovery and Reconstruction

The candidate documents this competence by composing and uploading a Competence Area Summary (CAS). The CAS has seven sections, one for each competence area. Each section provides one of the following:

- **Either** a brief **summary** of and reference to the candidate's CV or other uploaded documentation that shows that the candidate has experience or education in the competence area
- **Or** a 3-5 pages **essay** on a topic in the competence area

Note: Each competence area section in the CAS requires either a summary or an essay, not both. An essay is only required if there is nothing in the candidate’s experience or education that can be summarized and referenced to demonstrate the required competence.

TIEMS Academy

TIEMS Academy will guide the TQC Certification Candidates to relevant material for their preparation for the TQC certification. As time goes by, TIEMS Academy will be providing access to an increasing number of courses relevant to TQC certification.




TQC™ Platform with TIEMS Academy and Present Courses



TIEMS Academy

The overall goal is that TIEMS Academy shall be an online portal that will make emergency management educational resources, from TIEMS and reputable educational institutions and initiatives, broadly available worldwide

TIEMS Academy Contains

- ❑ TIEMS Educational Material, in form of Programs and Proceedings from TIEMS International Events (1994 – 2020)
- ❑ TIEMS own Developed Courses
- ❑ Courses provided by the TIEMS International Education Network
- ❑ Links Provided to Relevant International Teaching Material for TIEMS International Certification

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TIEMS TQC™ Certification Examination

The exam covers the Competency Framework on “International perspectives, standards, and best practices” and consists of 10 essay and 50 multiple-choice questions from 4 selected examination areas as shown in below figure.




TQC™ Curriculum & Examination



- ❑ TIEMS encourages TQC candidates to gain exposure to the many aspects that comprise the field. The TQC Web Platform with TIEMS Academy, therefore, provides references to the most important areas.
- ❑ During the TQC Compliance Process, the Candidate has to demonstrate experience or knowledge in 7 Competence Areas by a Competence Areas Summary (CAS)
- ❑ However, for the TQC examination, the focus is on 4 important areas, on which the TQC Candidate will be tested in a proctored, “closed book” examination process

Competence Area Summary Comprises

- International Perspectives
- Preparedness, Prevention, and Mitigation
- Predictions and Early Warning
- Emergency Operations
- Public Warning
- Search and Rescue
- Recovery and Reconstruction

TQC Examination Areas

International Perspectives

Sendai Framework

ISO Standards

INSARAG Framework

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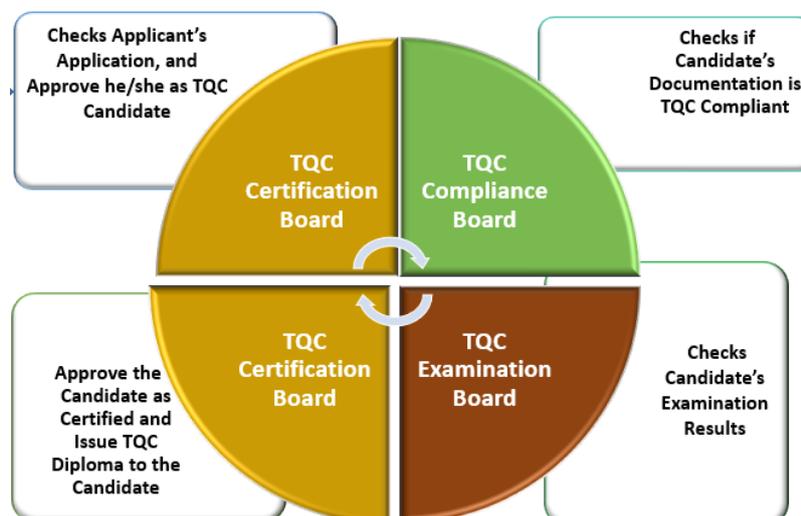
TQC™ Certification Diploma

When the candidate has met all TQC requirements and passed the TQC exam he/she will be awarded the TQC Diploma:



TQC™ CERTIFICATION ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS

The TQC Certification organization is part of the overall TIEMS organization, and comprises three major boards, as shown in the proceeding, TQC Certification Board, TQC Compliance Board and TQC Examination Board. One additional Board, the TIEMS Academy Board, supports TQC by providing access to TQC teaching material. All four boards are described in the following.



TQC™ Certification Board

The TQC Certification Board has overall responsibility for the TQC certification process and awarding the successful candidates with the TQC Certification and TQC Diploma. The TQC Certification Board Chair and TIEMS International Program Chair will sign the TQC Diploma given to the successful candidates.

TQC™ Compliance Board

The TQC Compliance Board has the following responsibilities:

- Establish the criteria a TQC Applicant should satisfy to be eligible to take the TQC certification exam
- Identify the information and documents TQC Applicants should submit to the Compliance Board to begin the TQC process; on education, participation, contribution and competence area summary (CAS)
- Assess TQC candidates' submitted information and documents and make one of the following determinations:
 - ✓ The Applicant is eligible to take the TQC exam
 - ✓ The Applicant does not appear to be eligible to continue the TQC process
 - ✓ Deficiencies are identified, and the candidate may submit additional information or reapply at a later time
- Issue a TQC Compliance Report

Generally, the requirements for knowledge, participation, and contribution can be satisfied in various alternative ways. It will be up to the TQC Compliance Board to decide if the applicant has demonstrated that he/she has met the qualifications. The TQC Compliance Board will provide feedback to the applicant to help him/her correct deficiencies, where possible.

TQC™ Examination Board

The TQC Examination Board handles the TQC examination process for the TQC Candidates and implements the mission of international emergency management.

The TQC Examination Board is composed of TIEMS representatives belonging to the [TIEMS International Group of Experts \(TIGE\)](#). The TQC Examination Board reflects the spectrum of emergency management expertise knowledgeable of existing International Standards and Best Practices. The TQC Examination Board is a peer-review body and ensures that the Certification Program remains open, fair, and impartial; retains integrity; and implements the mission of emergency management, by certifying that successful applicants have met the minimum standards outlined in the program. TQC Examination will be based on a set of Essay Questions and Multiple-Choice Questions reflecting the TQC Competence Framework.

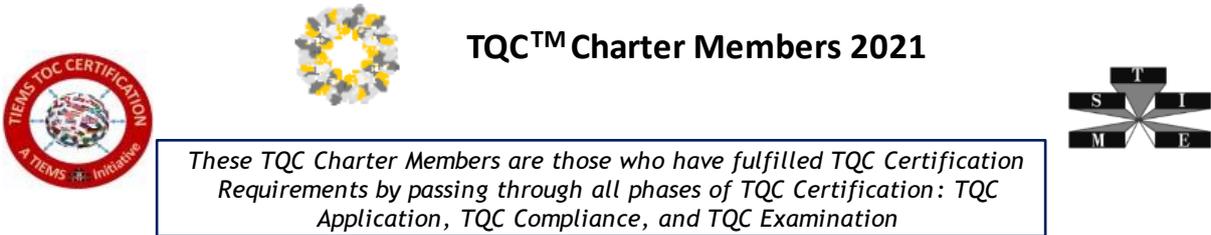
TIEMS Academy Board

TQC Applicants may acquire required competencies anywhere they wish - past coursework or experience, independent study, or they may take on-line or in-person courses. As time goes on, TIEMS Academy will be providing access to an increasing number of courses relevant to TQC Competencies. TIEMS Academy and the TQC Compliance board will indirectly complement each other. TIEMS Academy will guide the TQC Certification Candidates to relevant learning material for their preparation for the TQC examination. This teaching material will include:

- TIEMS Library with Programs and Proceedings from TIEMS Worldwide Conferences and Workshops: [Click Here](#)
- TIEMS developed Courses (Will be added continuously as they are made available from TIEMS worldwide chapters and members)
- Courses available from [TIEMS International Education Partners](#)
- TQC Candidate Certification Guide (Contain links to teaching material recommended for TQC candidates in the TQC Web Platform)

TQC™ Charter Members

In order to see to it that TIEMS Qualification Certification - TQC™, is relevant and appropriate, and fulfilling the needs of the emergency management and disaster response community, and that it is up-to-date and using state-of-the-art technology, TIEMS invited experienced professionals with different backgrounds and experience and from different countries, to be test candidates of TQC before it was opened to the community of professionals. Their role was to test the system from A to Z and give valuable feed-back on the quality, operational aspects, and relevance of this certification, to allow TIEMS to tune it to the needs of the international emergency management community experts. The TQC Test Candidates were also asked to provide local/regional information on relevant organizations and institutions. All TQC Test Candidates have passed the TQC Exam and have been TQC Certified and are a member of the TQC Charter. The figure below shows the initial members of TQC Charters. All future candidates who become TQC certified will also be member of TQC Charter.



1. [Desiree Beekharry](#) (Australia)
2. [Larry A. Porter](#) (USA)
3. [Gbenga Morenikeji](#) (Nigeria)
4. [Nothemba M. Mhlaba](#) (South Africa)
5. [Naill Al Momani](#) (Jordan/Dubai)
6. [Russell Dippy](#) (Australia)
7. [LiLi](#) (China)

[TQC Charter Members Diplomas](#)

- TQC is awarded for a three -year period
 - Re-certification efforts required prior to the end of the third year
 - Submit the Re-Certification Form
 - Evaluation of the TQC-certified person's experience, activity, and education/training during the 3 years
 - Re-Certification Certificate, Or, Re-Certification Exam

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[TQC Charter Members](#)

TQC™ CERTIFICATION COST AND PRACTICAL STEPS

TQC candidates need to be a TIEMS member in good standing (paid membership), before their TQC application will be processed by the TQC Certification Board. The following link can be used to become a TIEMS member: [Becoming a TIEMS Member](#)

To start the process for applying for TIEMS Qualification Certification - TQC, the candidate needs to fill out and submit the *TQC Application Form* which is found on the following link: [TQC™ Application Form](#)

The TQC Certification Board will evaluate the candidate's TQC Application Form within 7 days, and if accepted, he/she will receive an e-mail address, with a unique *Password* and *Username*, which is to be used when logging in to the TQC WEB Platform and continue the TQC™ application process.

The TQC Web Platform is found on the following link: [TQC™ Web Platform](#)

If the applicant's TQC Application Form is not accepted by the TQC Certification Board, he/she will be advised on how to improve qualifications before applying again for TQC Certification.

TIEMS general policy is that education and certification in emergency and disaster management should be affordable by most, and therefore the cost of being TQC certified will be kept at a minimum, covering the cost to TIEMS for offering and maintaining the TQC service.

TQC Certification Fee Elements and Timing of Certification

The price to become TQC certified, consists of 3 price elements paid at different time during the certification process:

1. [TIEMS Membership](#)

Needs be paid before TQC Application Form will be considered by TQC Certification Board

2. TQC Application Fee

Needs to be paid after the applicant is found eligible for continuing the TQC certification process, based on his/her application. When paid, the candidate will get access to the TQC Web-platform for uploading required documentation

The candidate has 6 months for uploading all documentation for TQC compliance evaluation after gaining access to the TQC Web-platform. The TQC Compliance Board will guide and assist the candidate in the TQC compliance process. This interactive assistance will assure that TQC™ process also is a learning process for the candidates.

3. TQC Examination Fee

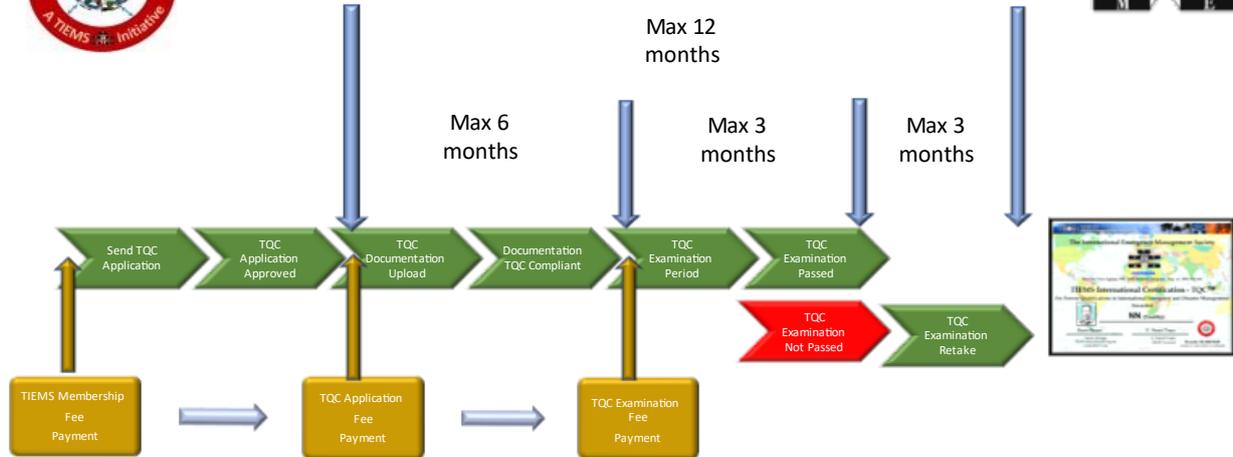
Needs to be paid before the candidate is given access to TQC Examination with proctoring.

The candidate has three months for finishing his/her TQC examination after he/she has been given access to the TQC examination courses. If the candidate fails the TQC examination, he/she will be allowed to retake it within 3 months at no additional cost.

The total process from Application approval to finalized TQC examination should be less than 12 months. The below figure illustrates the TQC certification process steps, payments schedule and timing.



TQC™ PAYMENT TIME AND PRACTICAL STEPS



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After the Applicant has passed the TQC exam, his/her TIEMS membership will be upgraded to **TIEMS Professional Certified Member**.

The TQC Fee elements and when to be paid is illustrated in below figure, including discounts given in 2021 to TQC Applicants as well as the possibility to apply for TIEMS TQC Scholarship.



TQC™ Certification Fee Elements



1. TIEMS ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES	
(ONE OF THE FOLLOWING TIEMS MEMBERSHIPS IS REQUIRED BEFORE SENDING THE TQC APPLICATION)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Standard Member -- <i>One Year Membership</i> :	95 €
<input type="checkbox"/> Standard Member Transition Economy Country -- <i>One Year Membership</i> :	35 €
<input type="checkbox"/> Student Member -- <i>One Year Membership</i> :	25 €
<input type="checkbox"/> Institutional Member -- <i>One Year Membership</i> :	310 €
➢ Includes 5 TIEMS Memberships	
<input type="checkbox"/> Professional Certified Member -- <i>One Year Membership</i> :	125 €
➢ This membership is for TQC Certified Members after their certification	
2. TQC CERTIFICATION FEES	
(BOTH OF BELOW FEES IS REQUIRED DURING THE TQC CERTIFICATION PROCESS)	
<input type="checkbox"/> TQC Application Fee :	125 € (BEFORE STARTING THE TQC COMPLIANCE PROCESS)
<input type="checkbox"/> TQC Examination Fee:	100 € (BEFORE STARTING THE TQC EXAMINATION PROCESS)
<input type="checkbox"/> In TQC Inaugural year 2021, TIEMS is offering 50 % discount on above TQC Certification Fees!	
<input type="checkbox"/> TIEMS members from transition economy countries can apply for TIEMS TQC Scholarship, which will cover TQC Application Fee and 50 % of the TQC Examination Fee for qualified applicants	

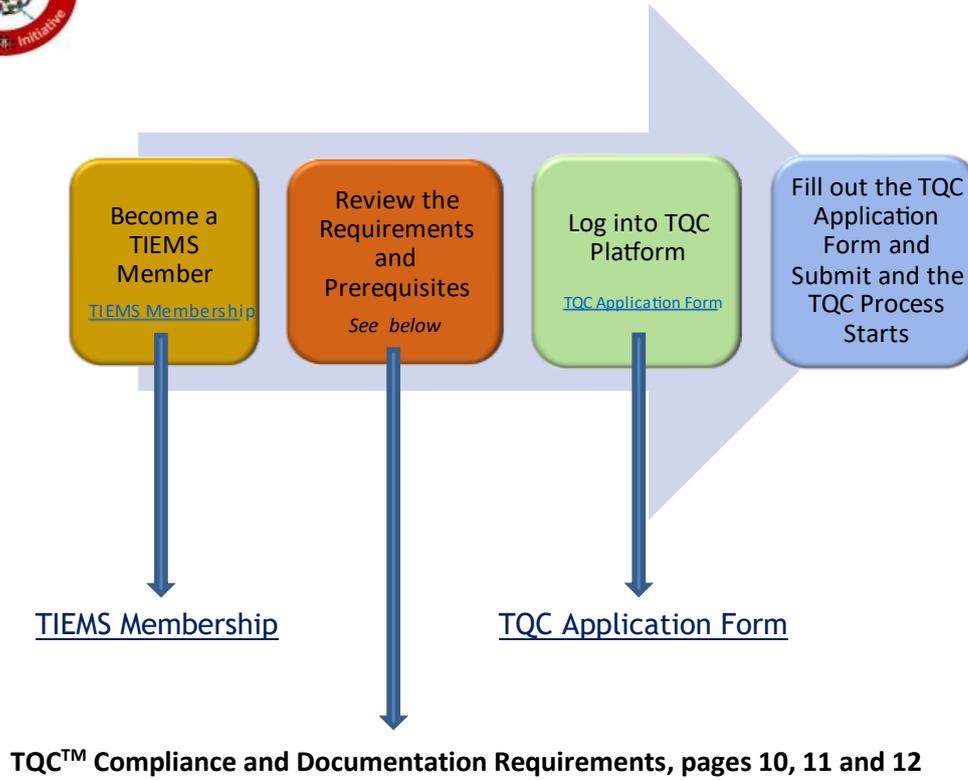
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It is also to be understood that TIEMS does not guarantee that an applicant's certification will be successful. No claim of liability, in any shape of form, can be made by any applicant against TIEMS and/or any of its officers who are part of the TQC process.

How to start TQC Certification



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