



GSAR – NACP Requirements and guidelines governing accreditation and certification: Part 2 Certification Process – Section 4.0 (Assessors and Examiners)

Note: Assessor MUST be RECOMMENDED by their Team Coordinator

4.6.2 Assessor - Responsibilities

The Assessor shall be responsible for overseeing the administration of the certification process of the candidate. They are responsible for ensuring the objectivity and integrity of the GSAR-NACP certification process and must follow established GSAR-NACP Requirements and guidelines governing accreditation and certification when conducting a certification assessment.

4.6.3 Assessor – Need to recuse

The Assessor shall identify any potential cases that present a conflict of interest surrounding the certification candidate being assessed to the GSAR-NACP Administration Office.

4.6.4 Assessor – Qualifications

An Assessor shall qualify and maintain qualification through meeting the following criteria:

- (a) meeting competency requirements determined by the GSAR-NACP National Committee
 - See “Assessor Declaration”.
 - Further qualifications may be required as determined by the National Committee in the future as the pilot progresses.
- (b) periodic performance evaluation by the GSAR-NACP Administration Office
 - The process of the evaluations will be determined by the National Committee as the pilot progresses.

4.6.5 Assessor – Eligibility

Assessors may be selected from the qualified Assessors list. Assessors may also be responsible for training (ex: instructor). Assessors are not eligible to serve if any of the following occur:

- (a) The Assessor has more than an acquaintance type relationship with the certification candidate; or
- (b) The Assessor is aware of any situation that could pose an ethical dilemma See Clause 4.6.4.

4.6.6 Competency requirements

GSAR-NACP shall certify applicants to the current edition of the CSA Z1620 – Core competency standards for ground search and rescue operations: Searcher, Team Leader, and SAR Manager. National core competency requirements for all certified Searchers approved by the GSAR-NACP National Committee are identified in Annex A, Searcher National Core Competency.

4.6.7 Demonstration of competency

Applicants may demonstrate competency requirements for Searcher certification through various means. Assessors will determine the validity and acceptance of these means to effectively demonstrate the necessary competencies. These means include, but are not limited to:

- (a) Log books
- (b) Training evaluations (applied learning, e.g., exercises, simulations, case studies)
- (c) Events
- (d) Membership proof (legacy)

