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TO: ALL CERTIFIED ENTITIES AND INSTRUCTORS, CURRENT CERTIFIED FLAGGERS, AND INQUIRERS
FROM: CDOT FLAGGER PROGRAM
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SUBJECT: JANUARY 2022 CDOT FLAGGER PROGRAM UPDATE AND CHANGES

All certification or recertification submittals, requests, questions, comments, suggestions, and inquiries must be **initially** submitted through the Flagger Program email address. For other options, contact the program manager.

- Email: dot_cdot_flagger@state.co.us
- Phone Number: 1-888-639-3271
- Website: <https://www.codot.gov/safety/traffic-safety/traffic-operations-technology/flagger-program>

INTERIM PROCEDURES AND PROCESSES:

1. Flagger Certification

- CDOT has approved one online flagger training entity through a new process for approval and they are available on the certified flagger training entity list.
- Online Classes can only be utilized if CDOT has reviewed and approved the class and company as a certified flagger training entity.
- Instructors (previously Proctors) CANNOT certify or train themselves as flaggers.

2. Flagger Entity Certification

- CDOT is happy to announce revised certification and recertification forms that are now available on the website. Recertification forms are required on an annual basis and will take the place of the previous quality assurance (QA) process.
- CDOT is also announcing a new ATSSA Flagger Instructor Training (FIT) pilot program taking place between now and May 2022 to evaluate FIT and its impact on the Flagger Program. If you wish to take part in the pilot program, please reach out to CDOT at dot_cdot_flagger@state.co.us.
- CDOT is continuing the moratorium on certifying new flagger entities until late Spring 2022. Exceptions will be made on a case-by-case basis evaluated by need, change in contracting, partnerships, personnel, and/or market changes.
- If an entity did not turn in their 2021 annual quality assurance documentation by 12/31/2021, they will be receiving a letter, via email and USPS Certified Mail or FedEx, of the termination of their entity certification. The entity may apply again after the moratorium has lifted. Exceptions will be made on a case-by-case basis evaluated by need, change in contracting, partnerships, personnel, and/or market changes.
- Certification applications and recertification documents must be filled out by the entity and **CAN ONLY BE REVIEWED, APPROVED, AND SIGNED** by CDOT Flagger Program personnel.

3. Flagger Instructor Certifications

- CDOT is continuing the moratorium on certifying any new individual flagger Instructors unless they work directly for a currently certified Flagger Training Entity until late Spring 2022 or until a new memo is posted.
- If your Instructor certification expires 1/1/2022 to 12/30/2022 we will extend your Instructor certification to 12/31/2022. Please contact the Flagger Program team to update your Instructor records.
- Starting on 1/1/2023, all expiring Instructor certifications will require CDOT approved Flagger Instructor certification, such as ATSSA. The list of CDOT approved FIT associations will be listed on the Flagger Program website. All certified flagger Instructors will have to have a Flagger Instructor certification after 1/1/2023 or when their current Instructor certification expires.