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**CRIMINAL JUSTICE STANDARDS & TRAINING COMMISSION  
TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM 2012-12**

**TO:** Criminal Justice Training Center Directors

**FROM:** Program Director Jennifer C. Pritt  
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**SUBJECT: Law Topics Instructor Certification**

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Effective July 1, 2012, a Law Topics Instructor Certification will no longer be required to instruct a Commission-approved basic or post-basic training course. A General Instructor Certification, or an exemption as provided in rule, will be required for instructing legal topics in training courses of all three disciplines. This change will take effect in conjunction with the implementation of the new Florida CMS Correctional Basic Recruit Training Program.

The requirement to hold a Law Topics Instructor Certification to teach the legal portions of the Law Enforcement Basic Recruit Training Program was removed from the Rule 11B-20-0014(3), F.A.C., in 2008. This latest policy change will eliminate that same requirement for the Correctional and Correctional Probation Basic Recruit Training Programs. The relevant rule will be revised in the next rule promulgation.

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Cc: Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission Members