- (1) IS ASSIGNED FULL TIME TO THE FIRE AND EXPLOSIVE INVESTIGATIONS SECTION OF THE CITY OF HAGERSTOWN FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE AND IS A PAID EMPLOYEE;
- (2) HAS ATTAINED THE POSITION OF DEPUTY FIRE MARSHAL OR HIGHER; AND BEEN EMPLOYED BY THE CITY OF HAGERSTOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT AS A FIREFIGHTER FOR AT LEAST 5 YEARS;
- (3) HAS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED A TRAINING PROGRAM FROM A POLICE TRAINING SCHOOL APPROVED BY THE POLICE TRAINING COMMISSION ESTABLISHED UNDER TITLE 3, SUBTITLE 2 OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY ARTICLE; AND
- (4) AT ALL TIMES MAINTAINS ACTIVE CERTIFICATION BY THE POLICE TRAINING COMMISSION.
- (B) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION, A FIRE AND EXPLOSIVE INVESTIGATOR HAS THE SAME AUTHORITY GRANTED TO THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL OR A FULL-TIME INVESTIGATIVE AND INSPECTION ASSISTANT OF THE OFFICE OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL UNDER § 2–208 OF THIS SUBTITLE:
 - (1) WHILE OPERATING IN THE CITY OF HAGERSTOWN; AND
- (2) WHILE OPERATING OUTSIDE THE CITY OF HAGERSTOWN WHEN:
- (I) THE FIRE AND EXPLOSIVE INVESTIGATOR IS PARTICIPATING IN A JOINT INVESTIGATION WITH OFFICIALS FROM ANOTHER STATE, FEDERAL, OR LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT UNIT, AT LEAST ONE OF WHICH HAS LOCAL JURISDICTION;
- (II) THE FIRE AND EXPLOSIVE INVESTIGATOR IS RENDERING ASSISTANCE TO ANOTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER;
- (III) THE FIRE AND EXPLOSIVE INVESTIGATOR IS ACTING AT THE REQUEST OF A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OR STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER; OR
 - (IV) AN EMERGENCY EXISTS.
 - (C) THE CITY OF HAGERSTOWN FIRE CHIEF: