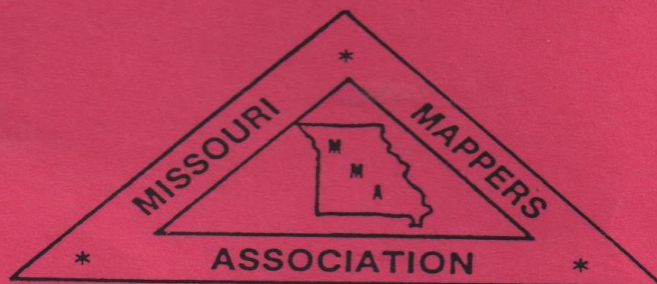


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A. Introduction

"A profession is a body of people who carry on their work in accordance with rules designed to enforce certain standards both for the protection of its members and for better service to the public." Mapping, like other professions, requires special study, knowledge, and skill. The Missouri Mappers Association has instituted a program designed to raise the professional standards of mapping personnel, and recognize those with superior skills. The professional designation outlined is a result of this effort.

Attainment of the Professional Missouri Mapper (PMM) Designation is a true challenge. In addition to ability, it requires a substantial amount of study and knowledge. Those who achieve this difficult goal should be very proud; there are some who will fail. Yet, if this were not so, the designation would not be worth the time, effort, and patience required to attain it.

B. Objectives

Realizing that the fair and equitable administration of property mapping requires a high level of competence in many areas, the Missouri Mappers Association has instituted the PMM designation.

The PMM Designation is designed for those professionals who are engaged in the use, production or maintenance of cadastral maps.

The program is designed to raise the standards of the mapping profession, to attain recognition by governmental authorities and the public of the mapping profession, and to gain for members recognition as qualified, objective and competent mapping professionals.

C. Administration

The PMM program is administered by the Professional Certification Committee. This committee will be made up of Professional Missouri Mappers in good standing, consisting of a Chairman appointed by the President of the Missouri Mappers Association and 4 members appointed by the Chairman. If the board liaison is a PMM he or she may serve on this committee as one of the 4 members. The duties of the Professional Certification Committee are to prescribe the policy regarding the applicant's requirements' to screen all applicants, to prepare suitable examinations' and to recommend to the Executive Board individuals qualified to receive the Professional Designation.

D. Candidate Application Requirements for the PMM Designation

1. Applicant must be a member in good standing of the Missouri Mappers Association and must make formal application for candidacy. These applications are available from the Committee Chairman.
2. Applicant must submit a candidacy application form with appropriate fee.

E. PMM Designation Requirements

To qualify as a Professional Missouri Mapper a person shall complete all of the requirements listed below. The minimum requirements for PMM designation are:

1. Have five (5) full years of cadastral mapping experience or it's equivalent.
2. Be engaged in the use, production or maintenance of maps.
3. Attended a minimum of 30 hours of study in mapping, surveying or a closely-related subject.
4. Successfully complete a certification examination which will be established and revised when necessary by the Certification Committee.

F. Certification Examination

A validated examination is necessary to test the applicant's knowledge of cadastral mapping principles and techniques. The examination for the PMM Designation requires seven hours to complete and is composed of three parts briefly described as follows:

Part I (1 hour & 15 minutes)

A 90 question comprehensive, multiple choice and true/false test that will test your general knowledge of mapping worth 100 points.

Part II (4 hours & 30 minutes)

A 16 question, 200 point compilation exercise designed to test your analytical and technical abilities.

Part III (1 hour & 15 minutes)

A 50 point inking exercise designed to test your craftsmanship and skill.

A score of 70% or 245 points out of the possible 350 shall be required to pass.

The examination may only be taken once within any 12 month period only after all other requirements have been met. It may be given in more than one location on the same day depending on need and location of applicants. The time and locations will be determined by the Certification Committee. Efforts will be made to give the examination in locations convenient to the candidates.

G. Awarding the Designation

The candidate shall assert by affidavit that if designated he or she will abide by the MMA bylaws and the requirements of the Professional Missouri Mappers Program. After the candidate completes all requirements for the Professional Designation, the Executive Board on the recommendation of the Certification Committee, will award the appropriate designation.

H. Evidence of Designation

Each PMM designee will receive a certificate of designation issued by the MMA as approved by the Executive Board.

I. Use of the Professional Designation - PMM

Members of the Missouri Mappers Association who have been awarded the PMM Designation may identify themselves by their designation. PMM is the abbreviation for the words Professional Missouri Mapper (it should be noted that the abbreviations do not have periods between the letters). In the event that the designation of an individual is terminated by resignation, expulsion or for any other reason and also during any period that an individual's privileges of membership or designation are suspended for any reason the individual shall refrain from using or displaying the designation PMM.

The PMM Certification of Designation and other such evidence of the designation issued at any time to a member of the Missouri Mappers Association, shall remain the permanent property of the Missouri Mappers Association and must be returned to the Executive Board if the individual to whom such materials are issued is suspended or terminated for any reason.

J. Maintaining Certification

In order to maintain a high level of professionalism, it is necessary for professional designees to keep abreast of the ever changing mapping field. In order to maintain the PMM designation, the following will be necessary;

1. Maintain active membership in the Missouri Mappers Association.
2. Accumulate a minimum of 10 points within a 12 month period and keep a record in a format designated by the Certification Committee in accordance with the **PMM CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.**

