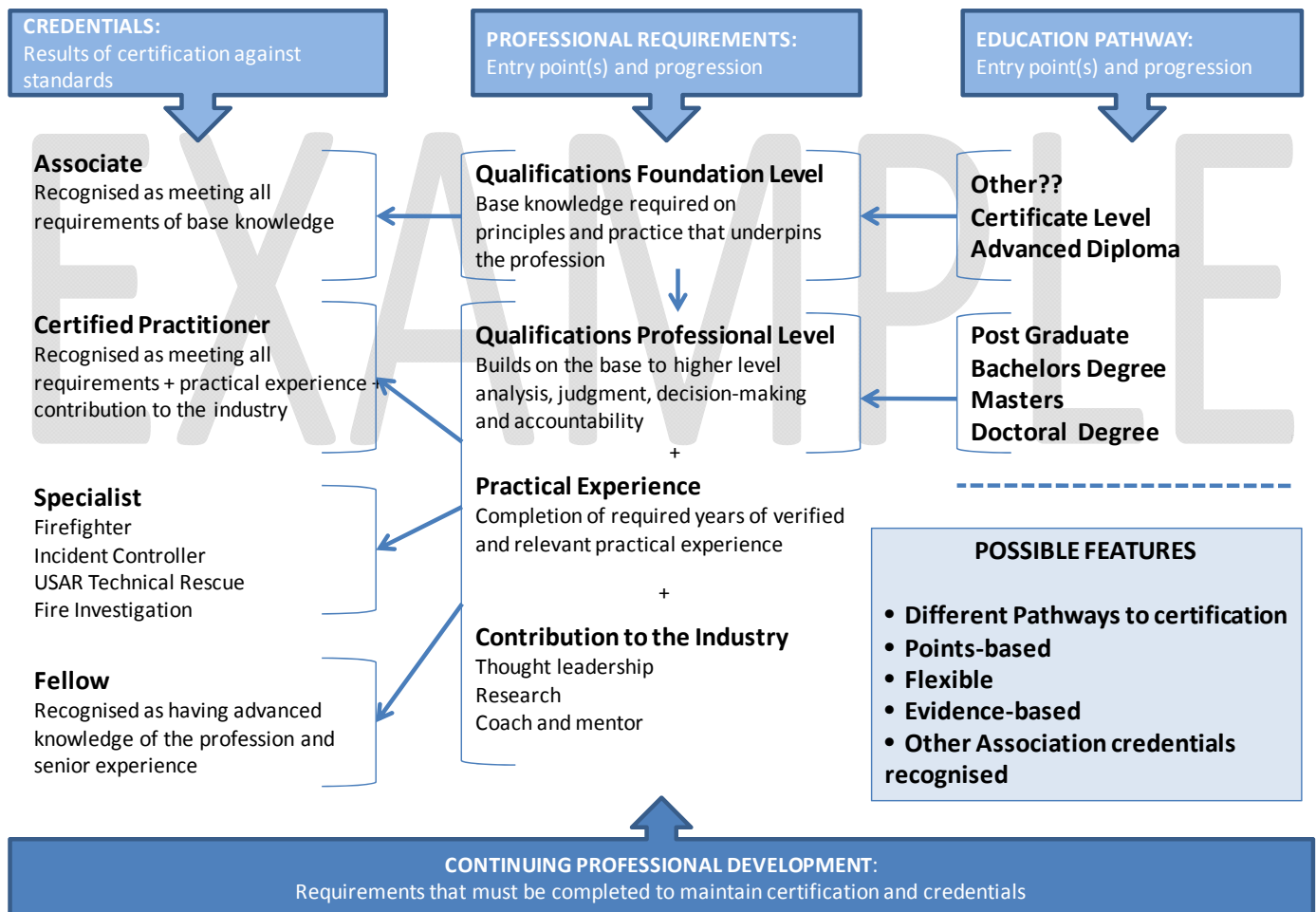


## AN EXAMPLE OF HOW TO GET AND MAINTAIN CERTIFICATION

Most professionalisation schemes involve processes to assess and certify that an individual meets certain standards. Once these standards have been met, then the individual qualifies to be awarded the relevant certified professional status.

The individual is then entitled to use credentials to promote their professional status. Credentials are represented symbolically by using particular letters either at the beginning or the end of a person's name, for example, Ms Jane Citizen, CPA (Certified Practising Accountant) or Mr Jack Jones RPF (Registered Professional Forester)

Professional status is maintained by an individual undertaking continuing professional development; a requirement of all professions so that skills, knowledge and experience remain current and contemporary.



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