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Firefighter-1, Firefighter-2, Basic Exterior Firefighting Operations (BEFO) 2015 Edition

Fact Sheet

Required Textbook for Four (4) classes

IFSTA/Brady – Essentials of Firefighting AND Fire Department Operations, 6th Edition

State Fire Instructors will NOT have textbooks to loan to students during the courses.

Basic Exterior Firefighting Operations (replaces Scene Support Ops) (January 1, 2015)

- Designed for participants who WILL NOT be in a position to breathe smoke or other contaminants- NO SCBA USE
- More closely matches lessons of Firefighter-1 appropriate to non-interior responder
 - o Enhanced fire behavior, ground ladders, and forcible entry tools familiarity , and evaluation time
 - o Added building construction
- 42 hours - 12 lessons (SSO is 27 hours in 9 lessons)
- Presentation lessons are 3-hours each/ Skills lessons are 4-hours each
 - o Current skills lessons frequently run over the three hour time
- Uses same book as FF-1, FF-2, Hazardous Materials First Responder Ops
- Homework FEMA ICS-100 basic ICS and IS-700 National Incident Management System

Firefighter-1 (January 1, 2015)

- Designed for Interior-Structural Firefighter who will operate under direct supervision
- Need Training Authorization Letter to attend and participate
- Updated fire behavior presentation and live fire events
- Skills videos available at r1.ifsta.org
- 104 student contact hours – 29 units (Currently 91 hours- 28 units)

- Presentation lessons are 3-hours each/ Skills lessons are 4-hours each
 - o Current skills lessons frequently run over the three hour time
- Added skills time for ground ladders, PPE/SCBA, building search, and ventilation
- Added class time for fire behavior and building construction
- Task Oriented Air Consumption evolution (TOAC)
- Separate written testing for Haz Mat First Responder Ops during course
- Skills Homework: hose rolls, maintenance and cleaning of hose, rope, and ladder, etc.
- Homework: FEMA ICS-100, IS-700 on-line course completion
- First Aid and CPR required to graduate (ARC, AHA, NSC) EMT/CFR meet and exceed first aid requirement. (Certification need not be current).
- Brief reading assessment at lesson 4
- Final skills testing, written mid-term and final evaluations (min score 70% on each)
- Blended learning version release (Spring 2015)

Firefighter-2 (Spring 2015)

- Designed for firefighter to work under general supervision and as senior firefighter preparing to become an officer
- Need Training Authorization Letter to attend and participate
- 42 student contact hours – 12 units (currently 27 hours- 9 units)
- Presentation lessons are 3-hours each/ Skills lessons are 4-hours each
 - o Current skills lessons frequently run over the three hour time
- Addition of 11-hours of vehicle rescue
- Hydrant testing removed
- Added standpipe system skills
- “Right-Front Seat” operations introduction
- Updated structural live fire evolutions