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Fire Fighter I

Prerequisites:

- A completed and signed Fire Fighter I Certification Application.
- Meet performance requirements in NFPA Standard 1001 for Fire Fighter I.
 - Chapter 4 medical and physical fitness requirements to perform the task of fire fighter
 - Chapter 4 emergency medical care competencies
- Meet competencies for Hazardous Materials Awareness Level in Chapter 2 NFPA 472, 2002 edition.
- A completed and signed Fire Fighter I Local Verification form.

Testing:

- **Written Examination:**
 - The written certification exam is based on knowledge objectives in *NFPA 1001 Standard for Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications, 2002 edition* and *NFPA 472 Standard for Professional Competence of Responders to Hazardous Materials Incidents Awareness Level, 2002 edition*. The written test is composed of two parts: a fire test (100 questions) and a hazardous materials test (50 questions). Each test is comprised of randomly selected multiple choice, true or false, and matching questions. A minimum score of 75 percent is required to pass each test. All areas of requisite knowledge are represented in the test banks. Maximum test time for the two written test sections is: fire section is one and a half (1 ½) hours, and the hazardous materials section is one and a half (1 ½) hours.
- **Manipulative Skills Examination:**
 - The manipulative skills exam is based on all job performance requirements and requisite skill objectives listed in *NFPA 1001 Standard for Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications*. Skill tests are randomly selected from eight (8) categories. There are three (3) mandatory categories, SCBA, hose, and ladders. One hundred (100) percent competency on skill sheets is required for passing.
 - Complete live fire skills testing.
 - At least one (1) attempt at passing the written exam must be documented before admittance to the manipulative skills exam is allowed. A candidate may participate in the manipulative skills exam without having passed the written exam.

Recommended Training:

- Fire Fighter I training to the NFPA 1001 standard, 2002 edition.
- Hazardous Materials Awareness level, NFPA 472, 2002 edition.

Recommended References/Textbooks:

- Essentials of Fire Fighting, IFSTA, 4th Edition
- Fire Fighter I Supplemental Handout #1
- Hazardous Materials for First Responders, IFSTA, 3rd Edition
- North American Emergency Response Guide 2004 edition
- Emergency Response to Terrorism: Basic Concepts, NFA, 1997 Edition

Fire Fighter II

Prerequisites:

- A completed and signed Fire Fighter II Certification Application.
- Meet performance requirements in NFPA Standard 1001 for Fire Fighter II.
- Meet competencies for Hazardous Materials Operations Level in Chapter 3 NFPA 472, 2002 edition.
- Accredited Fire Fighter I certification – provided the certification is to the current or immediate preceding edition of the Standard.

Testing:

- **Written Examination:**
 - The written certification exam is based on knowledge objectives in *NFPA 1001 Standard for Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications, 2002 edition* and *NFPA 472 Standard for Professional Competence of Responders to Hazardous Materials Incidents Operations Level, 2002 edition*. The written test is composed of two parts: a fire test (100 questions) and a hazardous materials test (50 questions). Each test is comprised of randomly selected multiple choice, true or false, and matching questions. A minimum score of 75 percent is required to pass each test. All areas of requisite knowledge are represented in the test banks. Maximum test time for the two written test sections is: fire section is one and a half (1 ½) hours, and the hazardous materials section is one and a half (1 ½) hours.
- **Manipulative Skills Examination:**
 - The manipulative skills exam is based on all job performance requirements and requisite skill objectives listed in *NFPA 1001 Standard for Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications* and *NFPA 472 Standard for Professional Competence of Responders to Hazardous Materials Incidents Operations Level*. Skill tests are randomly selected from seven (7) categories. There is one (1) mandatory category, hazardous materials operations. One hundred (100) percent competency on skill sheets is required for passing.
 - At least one (1) attempt at passing the written exam must be documented before admittance to the manipulative skills exam is allowed. A candidate may participate in the manipulative skills exam without having passed the written exam.

Recommended Training:

- Fire Fighter II training to the NFPA 1001 standard, 2002 edition.
- Hazardous Materials Operations level, NFPA 472, 2002 edition.

Recommended References/Textbooks:

- Essentials of Fire Fighting, IFSTA, 4th Edition
- Hazardous Materials for First Responders, IFSTA, 3rd Edition
- North American Emergency Response Guidebook, 2004 or later edition

Hazardous Materials Operations

Prerequisites:

- A completed and signed –Hazardous Materials Operations Certification Application.
- Meet performance requirements for Hazardous Materials Awareness Level in Chapter 2 NFPA 472, 2002 edition.
- Meet competencies for Hazardous Materials Operations Level in Chapter 3 NFPA 472, 2002 edition.
- Successfully completed a medical evaluation for SCBA use as required in 29 CFR 1910.134(e).

Testing:

- **Written Examination:**
 - The written certification exam is based on knowledge objectives in *NFPA 472 Standard on Professional Competence of Responders to Hazardous Materials Incidents*, 2002 edition. There are 50 randomly selected multiple choice/T or F/matching questions from test banks for Hazardous Materials Operations. A minimum score of 75 percent is needed for passing. Maximum test time is one and half (1 ½) hours. All areas of requisite knowledge are represented in the test banks.
- **Manipulative Skills Examination:**
 - The manipulative skills exam is based on all job performance requirements and requisite skill objectives listed in *NFPA 472 Standard on Professional Competence of Responders to Hazardous materials Incidents*, 2002 edition. Skill tests are randomly selected – two skills will be tested. One hundred (100) percent competency on skill sheets is required for passing.
 - At least one (1) attempt at passing the written exam must be documented before admittance to the manipulative skills exam is allowed. A candidate may participate in the manipulative skills exam without having passed the written exam.

Recommended Training:

- Hazardous Materials Operations training to the NFPA 472 standard, 2002 edition.

Recommended References/Textbooks:

- Hazardous Materials for First Responders, IFSTA, 3rd. Edition.
- North American Emergency Response Guidebook, 2004 or later edition.
- Hazardous Materials Operations student materials handout package.

Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator - Pumper

Prerequisites:

- A completed and signed Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator - Pumper Certification Application.
- Meet performance requirements in NFPA Standard 1002 for Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator.
 - Chapter 1, Section 1.4.1 requirement for vehicle driver/operators to be licensed
 - Chapter 1, Section 1.4.2 for periodic medical evaluation as required by NFPA 1500, Section 10.1
- Accredited Fire Fighter I certification – provided the certification is to the current or immediate preceding edition of the Standard.
- Completed and signed Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator - Pumper Local Verification forms.

Testing:

- **Written Examination:**
 - The written certification exam is based on knowledge objectives in *NFPA 1002 Standard on Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator Professional Qualifications*, 2003 edition. There are 100 randomly selected multiple choice/T or F/matching questions from test banks for Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator - Pumper. A minimum score of 75 percent is needed for passing. Maximum test time is two (2) hours. All areas of requisite knowledge are represented in the test banks.
- **Manipulative Skills Examination:**
 - The manipulative skills exam is based on all job performance requirements and requisite skill objectives listed in *NFPA 1002 Standard on Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator Professional Qualifications*, 2003 edition. Skill tests are randomly selected from three (3) categories. One hundred (100) percent competency on skill sheets is required for passing.
 - At least one (1) attempt at passing the written exam must be documented before admittance to the manipulative skills exam is allowed. A candidate may participate in the manipulative skills exam without having passed the written exam.

Recommended Training:

- Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator training to the NFPA 1002 standard, 2003 edition.

Recommended References/Textbooks:

- Pumping Apparatus Driver/Operator Handbook, IFSTA, 2nd Edition
- Idaho Driver's Manual (Class D)
- Idaho Commercial Driver's License Manual (CDL – Class A, B, and C)