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128 AUTHORITY: Implementing and authorized by Sections 8 and 11 of the Illinois Fire Protection
129 Training Act [50 ILCS 740] and the Peace Officer Fire Investigation Act [20 ILCS 2910].

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131 SOURCE: Adopted at 31 Ill. Reg. 8672, effective June 5, 2007; amended at 33 Ill. Reg. 5780,
132 effective April 2, 2009; amended at 34 Ill. Reg. 8297, effective June 8, 2010; amended at 41 Ill.
133 Reg. 4131, effective March 27, 2017; amended at 41 Ill. Reg. 6594, effective August 1, 2017;
134 amended at 45 Ill. Reg. 11584, effective August 31, 2021; recodified SUBPART C at 46 Ill. Reg.
135 2775; amended at 47 Ill. Reg. 424, effective January 1, 2023; amended at 48 Ill. Reg. _____,
136 effective _____.

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138 SUBPART A: GENERAL

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140 **Section 141.20 Incorporations by Reference**

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142 a) All incorporations by reference in this Section refer to the standards in effect on
143 the date specified and do not include any later editions or amendments.
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145 b) The following nationally recognized standards published by the National Fire
146 Protection Association (NFPA) (1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02169-7471;
147 www.nfpa.org) are incorporated by reference in this Part:

148
149 NFPA 1000: Standard for Fire Service Professional Qualifications
150 Accreditation and Certification Systems (2022)

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152 ~~NFPA 1006: Standard for Technical Rescuer Professional Qualifications~~
153 ~~(2013)~~

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155 NFPA 1021: Standard for Fire Officer Professional Qualifications (2020)

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157 ~~NFPA 1031: Standard for Professional Qualifications for Fire Inspector~~
158 ~~and Plan Examiner (2014)~~

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160 NFPA 1033: Standard for Professional Qualifications for Fire
161 Investigator (2022)

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163 ~~NFPA 1035: Standard on Fire and Life Safety Educator, Public~~
164 ~~Information Officer, Youth Firesetter Intervention~~
165 ~~Specialist, and Youth Firesetter Program Manager~~
166 ~~Professional Qualifications (2015)~~

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168 NFPA 1041: Standard for Fire and Emergency Services Instructor
169 Professional Qualifications (2019)

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171 NFPA 1403: Standard on Live Fire Training Evolutions (2018)
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173 NFPA 1451: Standard for a Fire and Emergency Service Vehicle
174 Operations Training Program (2018)

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176 NFPA 1521: Standard for Fire Department Safety Officer Professional
177 Qualifications (2020)

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179 NFPA 1971: Standard on Protective Ensembles for Structural Fire
180 Fighting and Proximity Fire Fighting (2018)

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182 NFPA 1981: Standard on Open-Circuit Self-Contained Breathing
183 Apparatus (SCBA) for Emergency Services (2019)

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185 ~~NFPA 1901: Standard for Automotive Fire Apparatus (2016)~~

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187 e) ~~The following NFPA standards are incorporated by reference through March 31,~~
188 ~~2023, to allow for administrative updates by the fire service:~~

189
190 ~~NFPA 472: Standard for Competence of Responders to Hazardous~~
191 ~~Materials/Weapons of Mass Destruction Incidents (2013)~~

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193 ~~NFPA 1001: Standard for Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications (2013)~~

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195 ~~NFPA 1002: Standard for Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator Professional~~
196 ~~Qualifications (2014)~~

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198 ~~NFPA 1003: Standard for Airport Fire Fighter Professional~~
199 ~~Qualifications (2015)~~

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201 ~~NFPA 1006: Standard for Technical Rescuer Professional Qualifications~~
202 ~~(2013)~~

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204 ~~NFPA 1021: Standard for Fire Officer Professional Qualifications (2014)~~

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206 ~~NFPA 1033: Standard for Professional Qualifications for Fire~~
207 ~~Investigator (2014)~~

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209 ~~NFPA 1041: Standard for Fire Service Instructor Professional~~
210 ~~Qualifications (2012)~~

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212 ~~NFPA 1403: Standard on Live Fire Training Evolutions (2012)~~

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214 ~~NFPA 1451: Standard for a Fire and Emergency Service Vehicle~~
215 ~~Operations Training Program (2013)~~

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~~NFPA 1521: Standard for Fire Department Safety Officer Professional Qualifications (2015)~~

~~NFPA 1971: Standard on Protective Ensembles for Structural Fire Fighting and Proximity Fire Fighting (2013)~~

~~NFPA 1981: Standard on Open-Circuit Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) for Emergency Services (2013)~~

~~NFPA 1983: Standard on Life Safety Rope and Equipment for Emergency Services (2012)~~

cd) The following NFPA standards are incorporated by reference through December 31, 2024~~starting April 1, 2023~~, to allow for administrative updates by the fire service:

~~NFPA 1000: Standard for Fire Service Professional Qualifications Accreditation and Certification Systems (2022)~~

NFPA 1001: Standard for Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications (2019)

NFPA 1002: Standard for Fire Apparatus Drive/Operator Professional Qualifications (2017)

NFPA 1003: Standard for Airport Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications (2019)

NFPA 1006: Standard for Technical Rescue Personnel Professional Qualifications
(2013-Rope and Trench)
(2017-Confined Space and Vehicle and Machinery)
(2021-Structural Collapse, Surface Water and Watercraft)

~~NFPA 1021: Standard for Fire Officer Professional Qualifications (2020)~~

NFPA 1031: Standard for Professional Qualifications for Fire Inspector and Plan Examiner (2014)

~~NFPA 1033: Standard for Professional Qualifications for Fire Investigator (2022)~~

- 258 NFPA 1035: Standard on Fire and Life Safety Educator, Public
259 Information Officer, Youth Firesetter Intervention
260 Specialist, and Youth Firesetter Program Manager
261 Professional Qualifications (2015)
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263 ~~NFPA 1041:~~ ~~Standard for Fire and Emergency Services Instructor~~
264 ~~Professional Qualifications (2019)~~
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266 NFPA 1072: Standard for Hazardous Materials/Weapons of Mass
267 Destruction Emergency Response Personnel Professional
268 Qualifications (2017)
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270 ~~NFPA 1403:~~ ~~Standard on Live Fire Training Evolutions (2018)~~
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272 ~~NFPA 1451:~~ ~~Standard for a Fire and Emergency Service Vehicle~~
273 ~~Operations Training Program (2018)~~
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275 ~~NFPA 1521:~~ ~~Standard for Fire Department Safety Officer Professional~~
276 ~~Qualifications (2020)~~
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278 NFPA 1901: Standard for Automotive Fire Apparatus (2016)
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280 ~~NFPA 1971:~~ ~~Standard on Protective Ensembles for Structural Fire~~
281 ~~Fighting and Proximity Fire Fighting (2018)~~
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283 ~~NFPA 1981:~~ ~~Standard on Open-Circuit Self-Contained Breathing~~
284 ~~Apparatus (SCBA) for Emergency Services (2019)~~
285
286 NFPA 1983: Standard on Life Safety Rope and Equipment for
287 Emergency Services (2017)
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289 d) The following NFPA standards are incorporated by reference starting January 1,
290 2025, to allow for administrative updates by the fire service:

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292 NFPA 470: Hazardous Materials/Weapons of Mass Destruction
293 (WMD) Standard for Responders (2022)
294
295 NFPA 1006: Standard for Technical Rescuer Professional Qualifications
296 (2021)
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298 NFPA 1010: Standard on Professional Qualifications for Firefighters
299 (2024)
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301 NFPA 1030: Standard for Professional Qualifications for Fire Prevention
302 Program Positions (2024)

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304 NFPA 1900: Standard for Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting Vehicles,
305 Automotive Fire Apparatus, Wildland Fire Apparatus, and
306 Automotive Ambulances (2024)

307
308 NFPA 2500: Standard for Operations and Training for Technical Search
309 and Rescue Incidents and Life Safety Rope and Equipment
310 for Emergency Services (2022)

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312 (Source: Amended at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)

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314 **SUBPART B: TRAINING FACILITIES**

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316 **Section 141.100 Training Facility Approval**

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318 a) To become a training facility for purposes of conducting training as required by
319 this Part, an application shall be submitted via the DPSE WebAccess Portal for
320 review and approval by the Division. Each application shall include a minimum
321 of one Course Approval Application as required in Section 141.115. If a
322 submitted Course Approval is denied, the Training Facility Approval for that
323 course shall be denied.
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325 b) A training facility shall have adequate resources available for conducting level
326 specific training. Training facility requirements include:
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328 1) For courses at all certification levels:
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330 A) Classrooms with adequate environmental control and seating
331 capacity for the anticipated student population;
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333 B) Multimedia projection equipment, whiteboards, chalkboards or the
334 like;
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336 C) Suitable interior or exterior areas for the performance of practical
337 evolutions;
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339 D) Real or simulated props for use during the performance of practical
340 skills evolutions; and
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342 E) Office-approved reference materials, available to both instructors
343 and students.

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F) Ability to provide *training in effective recognition of and responses to stress, trauma and post-traumatic stress experienced by firefighters that is consistent with Section 25 of the Illinois Mental Health First Aid Training Act in a peer setting.* [50 ILCS 740/8(d)]. The provisions of the Illinois Mental Health First Aid Training Act [405 ILCS 105] can be found at:
<https://www.ilga.gov/legislation/ilcs/ilcs3.asp?ActID=3506&ChapterID=34>

2) For Basic Operations Firefighter and Advanced Technician Firefighter courses:

- A) A training tower of not less than 2 stories in height;
- B) A smoke and fire room or building suitable for containing, and equipped for simulating, fire atmosphere and conditions;
- C) Forcible entry and ventilation drill facilities, including a means of providing the student an opportunity to practice opening a variety of doors, windows, roofs, floors and partitions; and
- D) Facilities for conducting live fire training (by permission and within the restrictions of applicable State and federal entities and in accordance with NFPA 1403), involving the following required scenarios:
 - i) Structural fires;
 - ii) Flammable liquid fires;
 - iii) Liquefied petroleum or natural gas fires; and
 - iv) Vehicle fires.

3) For Confined Space Operations, Confined Space Technician, Rope Operations and Rope Technician courses:

- A) A training structure of not less than 2 stories in height, equipped with suitable engineered anchor points to be used during practical evolutions; and

- 386 B) Documentation supporting the use and load capacity of the anchor
387 points maintained by the training facility and available to the
388 Division upon request.
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- 390 4) For a Structural Collapse Technician course, there shall be an area suitable
391 for training in extensive shoring operations.
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- 393 c) A training facility shall have adequate equipment required to conduct level-
394 specific training. Training facility equipment requirements include:
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- 396 1) For Basic Operations Firefighter and Advanced Technician Firefighter
397 courses:
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- 399 A) A fire apparatus equipped in accordance with ~~Chapters 5 and 6 of~~
400 NFPA ~~1900+901~~;
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- 402 B) Rope and webbing suitable for search and rescue operations in
403 accordance with NFPA ~~2500+983~~;
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- 405 C) Protective clothing for each student, in accordance with NFPA
406 1971;
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- 408 D) Approved Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) and one
409 spare cylinder for each student, in accordance with NFPA 1981,
410 which may be supplied by the student; and
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- 412 E) Ability to replicate all learning experiences required for the level
413 specific certification program.
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- 415 2) For Trench Operations, Trench Technician, Structural Collapse
416 Operations, Structural Collapse Technician, ~~Common Passenger Vehicle~~
417 ~~Rescue and Machinery Operations~~, ~~Heavy Vehicle Rescue and Machinery~~
418 ~~Technician~~, Rope Operations, Rope Technician, Surface Water Operations
419 and Watercraft Technician courses:
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- 421 A) Rope and webbing of assorted lengths and appropriate ancillary
422 equipment, in accordance with NFPA ~~2500+983~~; and
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- 424 B) Hand and power equipment to be utilized during the performance
425 of specialized practical evolutions as specified in the relevant
426 NFPA Standard.
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- 428 3) For Hazardous Materials Operations, Hazardous Materials Technician,
429 Confined Space Operations and Confined Space Technician courses:
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431 A) Rope and webbing of assorted lengths and appropriate ancillary
432 equipment, in accordance with NFPA ~~2500~~1983;
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434 B) Hand and powered equipment to be utilized during the
435 performance of specialized practical evolutions;
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437 C) Approved Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) and one
438 spare cylinder for each student, in accordance with NFPA 1981,
439 which may be supplied by the student; and
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441 D) Personal protective equipment to be utilized during the
442 performance of specialized practical evolutions as specified in the
443 relevant Standard.
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- 445 d) A training facility may utilize the resources of another training facility for training
446 under this Part.
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- 448 e) Training Facility approvals will be granted on a calendar year basis. A training
449 facility's approval will be valid for up to 5 calendar years from the date of the
450 initial approval in conjunction with Course Approvals (See Section 141.115). A
451 new application for Training Facility approval shall be submitted, utilizing the
452 DPSE WebAccess Portal, prior to December 31 of the calendar year in which it
453 expires. Prior to the expiration date of Training Facility Approval, the Division
454 shall notify the training facility at one year prior and at 90 days prior of the
455 upcoming expiration date.
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- 457 f) The Division may monitor, evaluate and review all aspects of training facilities
458 and courses for conformance with the requirements of this Part. [50 ILCS 740/8
459 and 50 ILCS 740/11]
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- 461 g) Training facilities not meeting the requirements of this Part shall have their
462 approvals suspended or revoked.
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464 (Source: Amended at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)
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466 **Section 141.115 Course Approval**
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468 Training facilities wishing to offer courses leading to certification for classroom or web-based
469 delivery shall submit a completed application for Course Approval, utilizing the DPSE
470 WebAccess Portal, specifying the courses for which the training facility seeks approval.

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 472 a) A Course Approval will be granted to those facilities that possess the specific
 473 Training Facility approval as required in Section 141.100.
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- 475 b) Training facilities shall submit the application for Course Approval utilizing the
 476 DPSE WebAccess Portal. The appropriate course name shall be selected from the
 477 courses offered. The training facility shall have the option of including the State
 478 Practical Examinations as part of the course completion roster by checking the
 479 box on the application prior to submission. When a training facility opts to
 480 include the State Practical Examination as part of the Course Approval, the
 481 training facility must attest that everyone listed on the course completion roster
 482 utilizing the Course Approval has completed and passed the State Practical
 483 Examination. A qualified instructor shall be required for each specified course to
 484 obtain approval.
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- 486 c) Course Approvals will be granted on a calendar year basis. A Course Approval
 487 will be valid for up to 5 calendar years from the date of the initial approval in
 488 conjunction with Training Facility Approvals. A new Application for Course
 489 Approval shall be submitted utilizing the DPSE WebAccess Portal, prior to
 490 December 31 of the calendar year in which it expires. Prior to the expiration date
 491 of Course Approval, the Division shall notify the training facility at one year prior
 492 and at 90 days prior of the upcoming expiration date.
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- 494 d) Training facilities may submit for approval for additional courses within the 5-
 495 year cycle. The appropriate Training Facility Approval shall be required for the
 496 additional courses. The expiration of the added courses shall remain in
 497 conjunction with the original expiration cycle. For example, a Course Approval
 498 granted between January 1, 2022 and December 31, 2022 will be approved until
 499 December 31, 2026. If a Training Facility received additional course approvals
 500 within the 5-year cycle (for example. on March 1, 2024), the additional Course
 501 Approvals will also expire on December 31, 2026.
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- 503 e) For each approved course, training facilities shall be required to submit a schedule
 504 of all courses to be conducted utilizing that Course Approval. The schedule shall
 505 be submitted using the DPSE WebAccess Portal Event Calendar no less than 2
 506 weeks prior to the first day of the course. Course completion rosters will be
 507 denied for courses that were not submitted using the DPSE WebAccess Portal
 508 Event Calendar no less than 2 weeks prior to the first day of the course. The
 509 information required consists of: the name of the training facility with course
 510 approval, title of the approved course, location of the course, dates of classroom
 511 instruction, contact name and contact information for the training facility, and if
 512 applicable, dates of examination.
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514 f) For a training facility to receive Course Approval for the following courses, the
515 training facility shall submit required course syllabi and content correlated to the
516 respective Standard as specified in Section 141.115(g) for review by the Division.
517 The review process must be completed and approved before the Course Approval
518 will be processed.

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- 520 1) Company Fire Officer;
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 - 522 2) Advanced Fire Officer;
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 - 524 3) Chief Fire Officer;
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 - 526 4) Fire Service Executive Support;
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 - 528 5) Fire Department Incident Safety Officer;
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 - 530 6) Fire Department Health and Safety Officer;
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 - 532 7) Fire Service Instructor I, II, or III;
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 - 534 8) Training Program Manager;
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 - 536 9) Fire Inspector I or II;
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 - 538 10) Public Fire and Life Safety Educator I;
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 - 540 11) Youth [Firesetting Prevention and Firesetter](#) Intervention Specialist; ~~or~~
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 - 542 12) Fire Investigator; ~~-~~
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 - 544 13) Confined Space Operations or Technician; or
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 - 546 14) Structural Collapse Operations or Technician.
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548 g) Required information to be submitted to the Division for review includes, but
549 shall not be limited to:

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- 551 1) Title of Course;
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 - 553 2) Prerequisites;
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 - 555 3) Reference Material;
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- 557 4) Attendance Policy;
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559 5) Pre-Course Assignments;
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561 6) Course Content;
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563 7) Referenced NFPA Standard and JPRs;
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565 8) Course Hours;
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567 9) Daily Agenda; and
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569 10) Qualified Instructors.
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- 571 h) If the training facility revises a course curriculum or if the course curriculum is
572 revised due to a change in the applicable Standard or rules before the Course
573 Approval cycle has expired, the course syllabi and content correlated to the
574 respective Standard shall be resubmitted for approval.
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- 576 i) Instructor Requirements
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- 578 1) A certified Instructor I may teach the following courses in which the
579 Instructor I possesses the specified certification:
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- 581 A) Basic Operations Firefighter
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583 B) Hazardous Materials Operations
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585 C) Fire Service Vehicle Operator
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- 587 2) A certified Instructor II may teach those courses referenced in Subpart D
588 in which the Instructor II possesses the specified certification.
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- 590 3) State Practical Examination evolutions shall meet the requirement for
591 student to instructor ratio where specified in Subpart D.
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- 593 j) Course completion rosters shall be submitted to the Division by the training
594 facility, utilizing the DPSE WebAccess Portal, listing candidates who
595 successfully completed courses. Candidates must complete 100% of the course
596 requirements of the training facility to be eligible for inclusion on the course
597 completion roster.
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- 599 k) The Division may monitor, evaluate and review all aspects of the delivery and

600 record keeping of approved courses for conformance with the requirements of this
601 Part.

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603 1) Training facilities shall:

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605 1) Provide records of student attendance (a minimum of 90% attendance is
606 required for each student seeking certification), and student evaluations of
607 the course;

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609 2) Retain training records in accordance with the applicable local
610 government's records retention schedule but, in no case, less than 5 years
611 for training record review purposes; and

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613 3) Retain complete training facility student records of course completion and
614 test scores for at least 5 years for training record review purposes.

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616 m) Each training facility shall implement and follow an established system of records
617 maintenance for classroom or web-based delivery that shall be retained and
618 provided to the Division upon request for review.

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620 1) Training records shall include at minimum the following:

621 A) Attendance or sign-in sheets;

622 B) JPRs of subjects taught, referenced to the applicable Standards;

623 C) Dates and beginning and ending hours trained for each session;

624 D) Total student contact hours;

625 E) Names and signatures of students;

626 F) Names and signatures of instructors;

627 G) Description of how the training was conducted (classroom and
628 practical); and

629 H) Physical location of the training.

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632 2) State Practical Examination training records shall contain at minimum the
633 following:

634 A) JPRs of subjects taught, referenced to the applicable Standards;

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- 644 B) Date of completion;
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- 646 C) Names and signatures of students; and
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- 648 D) Names and signatures of instructors.
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- 650 3) Computerized or web-based records of training shall include:
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- 652 A) Training records maintained utilizing a computerized or web-based
- 653 records management system shall be acceptable if users have
- 654 passwords and access rights.
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- 656 B) Users logging into their own account to track a training session,
- 657 with their attendance at and completion of the training session
- 658 validated by a Qualified Instructor or fire officer, shall have this
- 659 entry counted as a digital signature.
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- 661 C) Users who have their training sessions logged for them by a
- 662 Qualified Instructor or fire officer shall be required to review their
- 663 training records on a scheduled basis via their own account,
- 664 thereby validating their attendance at and completion of those
- 665 training sessions.
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- 667 n) A training facility must have a system for evaluating the effectiveness of a course
- 668 taught at that facility.
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- 670 o) The Division may revoke Course Approvals if a training facility violates any
- 671 requirement of Subpart B or Subpart C. In determining whether to revoke, the
- 672 Division shall consider the seriousness and frequency of the offenses.
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674 (Source: Amended at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)

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676 **SUBPART C: EXAMINATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS**

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678 **Section 141.200 State Examinations**

- 679
- 680 a) State Written Examinations shall be developed and provided by the Division and
- 681 administered by approved testing facilities. The battery of State Written
- 682 Examinations to be given shall be determined by the Division.
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- 684 1) The Office may approve vendors to proctor State Written Examinations
- 685 following established State procurement rules.

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- 2) When challenging a State Written Examination, candidates shall follow established rules and guidelines set forth by the vendor proctoring the State Written Examinations.
 - A) The Office shall pay, one time only, for a candidate to challenge a State Written Examination of a specific level.
 - B) If a candidate fails the State Written Examination or fails to appear for their scheduled examination, it shall be the responsibility of the candidate or fire department to pay for additional opportunities to challenge the State Written Examination of the specific level.
 - 3) Fire service-related State Written Examinations require a 70% overall passing rate. In the case of State Written Modular Examinations, a 70% overall passing rate for each module is required.
 - 4) State Written Examination results shall be posted to the candidate's records and made available by accessing the DPSE WebAccess Portal. The Division shall maintain these scores and may use them internally for statistical and/or employment purposes.
 - 5) Procedure to Request State Written Examination
 - A) The training facility or fire department shall submit the completed Request for Examination utilizing the DPSE WebAccess Portal.
 - B) The Request for Examination attests that each candidate has a documented learning experience in each of the subject areas of the State Written Examination requested. It shall be the responsibility of the candidate's employing fire chief, or their designee, to verify completion of all prerequisites for Requests for Examination submitted to the Division.
 - C) A Request for Examination includes:
 - i) Name of training facility submitting Request for Examination;
 - ii) Name of State Written Examination;
 - iii) Training facility with proper Course Approval;

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- iv) Fire Chief or Director's name;
 - v) Name of Qualified Instructor;
 - vi) Names of candidates; and
 - vii) Test start date.
- D) The candidate must be registered on the DPSE WebAccess Portal with a valid e-mail address as required in Section 141.65.
- E) When a Request for Examination is approved, a confirmation e-mail will be sent to the candidate's registered e-mail from the vendor with instructions and examination requirements. The candidate has 45 days from the test start date to schedule their examination date. The test start date shall be submitted as part of the Request for Examination.
- F) Candidates challenging the State Written Examinations shall meet one of the following employment requirements and be at least 18 years of age:
- i) Engaged in firefighting in an organized Illinois fire department in accordance with the Act and attested by the candidate's employing fire chief;
 - ii) Employed by a local governmental agency;
 - iii) Employed by an Illinois fire brigade;
 - iv) Employee of the Office; or
 - v) Individuals who have retired from active fire service duties and are officially affiliated with fire service training, mutual aid, incident command, fire ground operations or staff support for fire associations.
- G) Candidates who have not met minimum requirements for a State Written Examination shall not be examined.
- H) Reasonable modifications to the practices or procedures for proctoring State Written Examinations, in accordance with the federal regulations implementing Title II of the Americans with

772 Disabilities Act (28 CFR 35), shall be permitted upon the Office's
 773 receipt, review and approval of a written request from the
 774 candidate requesting the specific accommodations. Formal
 775 documentation supporting the modification or accommodation
 776 sought shall accompany the written request. The vendor shall be
 777 notified by the Division of the approval, including the name of the
 778 candidate, the accommodations approved and the specific OSFM
 779 identification number for the candidate.
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781 6) The Office and IFSI, pursuant to the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act
 782 [5 ILCS 22/1] and in accordance with the Civil Administrative Code [20
 783 ILCS 5/5-655], entered into an Intergovernmental Agreement, in
 784 furtherance of the certification program, which allows IFSI end of course
 785 examinations that pertain to certifications to be reviewed and approved as
 786 equivalent to the State Written Examinations. Candidates who complete
 787 the approved equivalent IFSI examinations and requirements are not
 788 required to challenge and pass the State Written Examinations. The
 789 Intergovernmental Agreement will be reviewed and revised as necessary.
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791 7) Re-examination of State Written Examinations
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793 A) No candidate shall be re-examined without further documented
 794 learning experiences in each of the failed subject areas.
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796 B) There shall be no limits set by the Division for the number of times
 797 a candidate may take the State Written Examination, except when
 798 the State Written Examinations are allowed under Section 141.120.
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800 b) State Practical Examinations shall be developed and provided by the Division.
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802 1) The test site shall have toilet facilities in proximity of the area.
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804 2) A Qualified Instructor is required to sign documentation confirming
 805 passage of the practical examinations.
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807 3) For all certification courses that require a Qualified Instructor, at
 808 minimum, additional instructors must be certified as Instructor I and to the
 809 certification level when evaluating practical examinations.
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811 ~~4~~2) All candidates shall be in clear view of the Qualified Instructor or an
 812 additional instructor meeting requirements of subsection (b)(3).
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814 ~~5~~3) The proctor shall not be permitted to discuss or answer inquiries regarding

815 skills required for the State Practical Examination.

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817 64) State Practical Examination results shall be posted to the candidate's
818 records and made available by accessing the DPSE WebAccess Portal.
819 The Division shall maintain these results and may use them internally for
820 statistical or employment purposes.

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822 A) Candidates challenging the State Practical Examinations shall meet
823 one of the following employment requirements and be at least 18
824 years of age:

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826 i) Engaged in firefighting in an organized Illinois fire
827 department in accordance with the Act and attested by the
828 candidate's employing fire chief;

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830 ii) Employed by a local governmental agency;

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832 iii) Employed by an Illinois fire brigade;

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834 iv) Employee of the Office; or

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836 v) Individuals who have retired from active fire service duties
837 and are officially affiliated with fire service training,
838 mutual aid, incident command, fire ground operations or
839 staff support for fire associations.

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841 B) Candidates who have not met minimum requirement for a State
842 Practical Examination shall not be examined, nor shall candidates
843 who are ill or obviously under the influence of drugs or alcohol. In
844 making the determination of drug or alcohol impairment, the
845 Division shall consider, but is not limited to, observation of
846 demeanor, slurred speech, odor of alcohol, general behavior and
847 other considerations that may aid in making the determination.

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849 75) State Practical Examinations required by the Division for all certifications
850 other than Basic Operations Firefighter are valid for 12 months. If a
851 candidate has not passed the State Written Examination within 12 months
852 after the State Practical Examination, the candidate must retake the State
853 Practical Examination. State Practical Examinations for Basic Operations
854 Firefighter are valid for 5 years. If a candidate does not pass the State
855 Written Examination for Basic Operations Firefighter within 5 years from
856 the State Practical Examination date, the candidate must retake the State
857 Practical Examination.

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859 86) The passing rate of all State Practical Examinations shall be 100% and it
860 shall be the responsibility of the qualified instructor to follow the
861 Division's rules and assure accuracy of the skills.
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863 97) If firefighters from a given fire department experience excessive or
864 repeated failures of a State Written or Practical Examination, the fire chief
865 and appropriate officers of the department are encouraged to contact the
866 Office for assistance.
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868 108) Non-affiliated individuals may not challenge any State Written or
869 Practical Examinations except as permitted under Section 141.215.
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871 119) The Office may extend deadlines for requirements of this Section for good
872 cause shown (e.g., military deployments, medical leaves, personal
873 emergencies, Acts of God or natural disasters, Gubernatorial Disaster
874 Proclamation, etc.). [50 ILCS 740/1, 11 and 12]
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876 (Source: Amended at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)
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878 **Section 141.215 Non-Affiliated Individuals** 879

- 880 a) Notwithstanding the other requirements of this Part, this Section establishes the
881 process, effective January 1, 2023, for the Division to recognize non-affiliated
882 individuals who complete select, approved courses, pass select State Written
883 and Practical Examinations, and, upon becoming engaged as fire service
884 personnel, have an opportunity to obtain Basic Operations Firefighter and
885 Hazardous Materials Operations certifications.
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887 1) The Division will recognize course completion by non-affiliated
888 individuals who complete an approved course for Basic Operations
889 Firefighter or Hazardous Materials Operations. ~~The Division will
890 recognize course completion by non-affiliated individuals who
891 complete the classroom portion only of the Fire Service Vehicle
892 Operator course.~~
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894 2) The Division will allow non-affiliated individuals the opportunity to
895 challenge the State Written Examinations for Basic Operations
896 Firefighter and Hazardous Materials Operations courses.
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898 3) The Division will recognize a non-affiliated individual's passage of
899 State Practical Examinations upon completion of an approved course
900 from a training facility for Basic Operations Firefighter and Hazardous

- 901 Materials Operations.
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903 4) Non-affiliated individuals who pass the State Written and Practical
904 Examinations for Basic Operations Firefighter and Hazardous Materials
905 Operations shall be issued a Recognition of Completion.
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907 5) Non-affiliated individuals who have been issued a Recognition of
908 Completion and subsequently become engaged as fire service personnel
909 may receive certification from the Office for Basic Operations
910 Firefighter and Hazardous Materials Operations if requirements under
911 Subpart D are met.
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- 913 b) A training facility may add non-affiliated individuals to their roster utilizing
914 the DPSE WebAccess Portal for the purpose of submitting course completions
915 and Requests for Examination as described in this Section.
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- 917 1) Information required to be added on the DPSE WebAccess Portal shall
918 include the non-affiliated individual's:
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920 A) Name;
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922 B) Address;
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926 D) Last 8 digits of their driver's license;
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928 E) Status as "non-affiliated"; and
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930 F) Other optional statistical data at the discretion of the training
931 facility.
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- 933 2) A training facility submitting course completions for non-affiliated
934 individuals will be limited to submitting course completions for Basic
935 Operations Firefighter ~~and~~; Hazardous Materials Operations ~~and the~~
936 ~~classroom portion only for a Fire Service Vehicle Operator course~~ and
937 shall not submit course completions for non-affiliated individuals for any
938 other courses.
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- 940 3) The training facility may submit Requests for Examinations for Basic
941 Operations Firefighter or Hazardous Materials Operations State Written
942 Examinations for non-affiliated individuals who have completed an
943 approved course for Basic Operations Firefighter or Hazardous Materials

944 Operations, respectively, on the DPSE WebAccess portal. To submit a
945 Request for Examination, a training facility shall follow the process of
946 Section 141.200(a)(5)(A) through (C) except that the verification required
947 by 141.200(a)(5)(B) shall be provided by the training facility.
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- 949 4) A non-affiliated individual must be at least 18 years of age prior to
950 challenging a State Written Examination.
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- 952 c) Non-affiliated individuals shall be allowed to register on the DPSE WebAccess
953 Portal to access their records. Registration using a valid email address shall be
954 required prior to submission of request for examination and challenging State
955 Written Examinations.
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- 957 d) When a Request for Examination is approved, a confirmation e-mail will be
958 sent to the non-affiliated individual's registered e-mail from the vendor with
959 instructions and examination requirements. The non-affiliated individual has
960 45 days from the test start date to schedule their examination date. The test
961 start date shall be submitted as part of the Request for Examination.
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- 963 e) When challenging a State Written Examination, a non-affiliated individual
964 shall follow established rules and guidelines set forth by the vendor proctoring
965 the State Written Examination.
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- 967 f) A non-affiliated individual is responsible for paying costs for State Written
968 Examinations.
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- 970 g) A non-affiliated individual shall be permitted reasonable modifications for
971 Basic Operations Firefighter and Hazardous Materials Operations State Written
972 Examinations in accordance with Section 141.200(a)(5)(H).
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- 974 h) The Division will recognize a non-affiliated individual's passage of State
975 Practical Examinations upon completion of an approved course from a training
976 facility for Basic Operations Firefighter and Hazardous Materials Operations,
977 as follows:
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- 979 1) The non-affiliated individual must be at least 18 years of age prior to
980 challenging a State Practical Examination.
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- 982 2) State Practical Examinations for Basic Operations Firefighter are valid
983 for 5 years. If a non-affiliated individual does not pass the State Written
984 Examination within 5 years from the State Practical Examination date,
985 the non-affiliated individual must retake the State Practical
986 Examination.

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- 3) State Practical Examinations for Hazardous Materials Operations are valid for 12 months. If a non-affiliated individual does not pass the State Written Examination within 12 months from the State Practical Examination date, the non-affiliated individual must retake the State Practical Examination.
 - 4) If non-affiliated individuals pass the respective State Written Examination within the required practical examination time limit, a passed practical examination will remain valid with no expiration deadline.
 - i) In order to challenge a State Written Examination or State Practical Examination, non-affiliated individuals must meet the minimum requirements set forth in Section 141.200, except for the requirement to be engaged as fire service personnel. Non-affiliated individuals who do not meet the minimum requirements set forth in Section 141.200 (except for the requirement to be engaged as fire service personnel) shall not be allowed to challenge a State Written Examination or State Practical Examination.
 - j) Non-affiliated individuals who are ill or obviously under the influence of drugs or alcohol may not challenge the State Written Examination or State Practical Examination. In making the determination of drug or alcohol impairment, the Division shall consider, but is not limited to, observation of demeanor, slurred speech, odor of alcohol, general behavior and other considerations that may aid in making the determination.
 - k) A non-affiliated individual shall be required to achieve a passing score for State Written and Practical Examinations for Basic Operations Firefighter and Hazardous Materials Operations equivalent to those set forth in Section 141.200.
 - l) State Written Examination results shall be posted to the non-affiliated individual's records and made available by accessing the DPSE WebAccess Portal. The Division shall maintain these scores and shall use them internally for statistical or employment purposes.
 - m) No non-affiliated individual shall be re-examined without further documented learning experiences in each of the failed subject areas. There is no limit set by the Division for the number of times a non-affiliated individual may take the State Written Examination.
 - n) Where an additional requirement not specified in this Section 141.215 applies

- 1030 to candidates for State Written and Practical Examinations under Section
 1031 141.200, non-affiliated individuals shall also be subject to such requirement,
 1032 except if that requirement is to be engaged as fire service personnel.
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- 1034 o) A non-affiliated individual shall be subject to Section 141.210, except that
 1035 notification required under that Section to be provided to the chief shall not be
 1036 provided.
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- 1038 p) The Division shall issue a Recognition of Completion to a non-affiliated
 1039 individual who completes approved Basic Operations Firefighter and
 1040 Hazardous Materials Operations courses and passes the respective State
 1041 Written and Practical Examinations according to this Section. The Recognition
 1042 of Completion shall, at minimum:
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- 1044 1) Recognize that the non-affiliated individual has completed select
 1045 courses and passed select State Written and Practical Examinations;
 - 1046 2) List all referenced Standards applicable to the courses completed; and
 1047 3) Specify that the recognition is not equivalent to OSFM Certification.
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- 1050 q) A non-affiliated individual who becomes engaged as fire service personnel at
 1051 any time during the process of courses and State Written and Practical
 1052 Examinations allowed under this Section prior to receiving a Recognition of
 1053 Completion may use completed courses or passed State Written and Practical
 1054 Examinations in pursuit of certification, provided they meet requirements
 1055 under this Part.
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- 1058 r) A non-affiliated individual shall not receive certification.
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- 1060 s) When a non-affiliated individual who has received a Recognition of
 1061 Completion subsequently engages as fire service personnel, the fire chief may
 1062 submit, via the DPSE WebAccess Portal, an Application for Certification for
 1063 both Basic Operations Firefighter and Hazardous Materials Operations, in
 1064 accordance with Sections 141.301 and 141.344.
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- 1066 t) The process outlined in Section 141.255 for the invalidation of state
 1067 certifications shall apply to the invalidation of a non-affiliated individual's
 1068 Recognition of Completion, except that the notification required under that
 1069 section to be provided to the fire chief shall be provided to the non-affiliated
 1070 individual.
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- 1072 u) The Office shall not reimburse any costs related to course completion,

1073 including tuition and fees, or examination of a non-affiliated individual. No
1074 non-affiliated individual, fire service personnel or local governmental agency
1075 may make claims for reimbursement or receive reimbursement for any cost
1076 related to course completion, including tuition and fees, or examination of any
1077 non-affiliated individual. If a non-affiliated individual becomes engaged as fire
1078 service personnel, any course that commenced prior to engagement as fire
1079 service personnel shall be ineligible for reimbursement.

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1081 v) The Office may extend deadlines for requirements of this Section for good
1082 cause shown (e.g., military deployments, medical leaves, personal
1083 emergencies, Acts of God or natural disasters, Gubernatorial Disaster
1084 Proclamation, etc.). [50 ILCS 740/1, 11 and 12]

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1086 (Source: Amended at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)

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1088 SUBPART D: CERTIFICATION LEVELS

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1090 **Section 141.301 Basic Operations Firefighter**

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1092 a) An Illinois Basic Operations Firefighter certification shall meet or exceed the
1093 qualifications identified in NFPA ~~1010~~1001.

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1095 b) Prerequisites

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1097 1) Engagement as Illinois fire protection personnel, as attested by the
1098 employing fire chief of the candidate seeking certification;

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1100 2) Successful completion of a Basic Operations Firefighter course consisting
1101 of a minimum of 180 instructional hours;

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1103 3) Passage of the State Written and State Practical Examinations;

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1105 ~~4) Completion of the classroom portion for Fire Service Vehicle Operator~~
1106 ~~certification;~~

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1108 ~~4~~5) Completion of certification requirements for Hazardous Materials
1109 Operations; and

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1111 ~~6) Completion of a CPR/Basic First Aid course;~~

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1113 ~~7) Completion of NIMS 100 and 700 courses;~~

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- 9) ~~Familiarity with the signs and symptoms of mental illness, mental health and resiliency, and applicable resources to manage such situations;~~
- 10) ~~Ability to identify the signs and symptoms of substance abuse, particularly opioids, and a familiarity with applicable resources to manage such situations; and~~

511) Application for Certification.

- c) Training documentation shall be maintained in the fire service personnel's training records at the employing fire department.
- d) A qualified instructor for this level must be certified as a Fire Service Instructor I. There shall be at least one instructor for every 6 students during State Practical Examination evolutions.
- e) Fire department or individual reimbursement may be available for training costs for Basic Operations Firefighter as provided in Subpart E.
- f) The course as set forth in Section 141.115 and training facility as set forth in Section 141.100 must be approved by the Division.
- g) Credit for an equivalent course will be approved by the Division when the equivalent course meets the requirements of Section 141.120.
- h) Modular Training
 - 1) Basic Operations Firefighter training may be taken in a series of modules or as a complete course. The module series shall include:
 - A) Module A
 - i) Introduction to the Fire Service and Firefighter Safety~~Orientation~~;
 - ii) Forcible Entry and Tools~~Firefighter Safety~~;
 - iii) Fire Department Communication;
 - iv) Building Construction;
 - v) Fire Dynamics~~Behavior~~;

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- vi) Firefighter Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA);
 - vii) Ladders~~Portable Fire Extinguishers~~; and
 - viii) Ropes and Knots.
- B) Module B
- i) Search and Rescue~~and Firefighter Survival~~;
 - ii) Installed Systems~~Forcible Entry~~;
 - iii) Salvage and Overhaul (Loss Control)~~Ladders~~;
 - iv) Ventilation;
 - v) Water Supply;
 - vi) Fire Hose, Appliances, Nozzles and Fire Streams; and
 - vii) Fire Control~~and Wildland Firefighting~~.
- C) Module C
- i) Familiarity with the signs and symptoms of mental illness, mental health and resiliency, and applicable resources to manage such situations;
 - ii) Ability to identify the signs and symptoms of substance abuse, particularly opioids, and a familiarity with applicable resources to manage such situations;
 - iii) Completion of a CPR/Basic First Aid course;
 - iv) Completion of NIMS 100 and 700 courses;
 - v) Completion of the Courage To Be Safe course; and
 - vi) Traffic Incident Management (NFPA 1091) or equivalent.
 - i) ~~Salvage and Overhaul (Loss Control);~~

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- ~~ii) Fire Origin, Cause and Protecting Evidence;~~
- ~~iii) Fire Protection Systems;~~
- ~~iv) Fire Prevention;~~
- ~~v) Hazardous Materials Awareness; and~~
- ~~vi) Assisting Special Rescue Teams.~~

2) The State Written Examination for Basic Operations Firefighter training may be taken in a series of modules or as one complete examination.

(Source: Amended at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)

Section 141.302 Airport Firefighter

- a) An Illinois Airport Firefighter certification shall meet or exceed the qualifications identified in NFPA ~~1010~~1003.
- b) Prerequisites
 - 1) Engagement as Illinois fire protection personnel, as attested by the employing fire chief of the candidate seeking certification;
 - 2) Current certification as Advanced Technician Firefighter;
 - 3) Successful completion of an Airport Firefighter course consisting of a minimum of 40 instruction hours;
 - 4) Passage of the State Written and State Practical Examinations; and
 - 5) Application for Certification.
- c) Training documentation shall be maintained in the fire service personnel's training records at the employing fire department.
- d) A qualified instructor for this level must be certified as a Fire Service Instructor II and Airport Firefighter. There shall be at least one instructor for every 6 students during State Practical Examination evolutions.
- e) Fire department or individual reimbursement may be available for training costs

1245 for Airport Firefighter as provided in Subpart E.

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1247 f) The course as set forth in Section 141.115 and the training facility as set forth in
1248 Section 141.100 must be approved by the Division.

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1250 g) Credit for an equivalent course will be approved by the Division when the
1251 equivalent course meets the requirements of Section 141.120.

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1253 (Source: Amended at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)

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1255 **Section 141.303 Advanced Technician Firefighter**

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1257 a) An Illinois Advanced Technician Firefighter certification shall meet or exceed the
1258 qualifications identified in NFPA ~~1010~~¹⁰⁰¹.

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1260 b) Prerequisites

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1262 1) Engagement as Illinois fire protection personnel, as attested by the
1263 employing fire chief of the candidate seeking certification;

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1265 2) Current certification as Fire Service Vehicle Operator;

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1267 ~~3) Current certification as Vehicle and Machinery Operations;~~

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1269 ~~34)~~ Successful completion of an Advanced Technician Firefighter course
1270 consisting of a minimum of 40 instructional hours;

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1272 ~~45)~~ Passage of the State Written and State Practical Examinations;

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1274 ~~6) Documentation of a minimum of one year cumulative fire service
1275 experience, beginning from the Basic Operations Firefighter or Firefighter
1276 II certification date;~~

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1278 ~~7) Documentation of a minimum of 3 cumulative years of fire service
1279 experience;~~

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1281 ~~58)~~ Completion of NIMS 200 course; and

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1283 ~~69)~~ Application for Certification.

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1285 c) Training documentation shall be maintained in the fire service personnel's training
1286 records at the employing fire department.

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- 1288 d) A qualified instructor for this level must be certified as Fire Instructor II. There
1289 shall be at least one instructor for every 6 students during State Practical
1290 Examination evolutions.
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- 1292 e) Fire department or individual reimbursement may be available for training costs
1293 for Advanced Technician Firefighter as provided in Subpart E.
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- 1295 f) The course as set forth in Section 141.115 and the training facility as set forth in
1296 Section 141.100 must be approved by the Division.
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- 1298 g) Credit for an equivalent course will be approved by the Division when the
1299 equivalent course meets the requirements of Section 141.120.
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1301 (Source: Amended at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)
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1303 **Section 141.306 Fire Apparatus Engineer**
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- 1305 a) An Illinois Fire Apparatus Engineer certification shall meet or exceed the
1306 qualifications identified in NFPA 1010~~1002~~.
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- 1308 b) Prerequisites
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- 1310 1) Engagement as Illinois fire protection personnel, as attested by the
1311 employing fire chief of the candidate seeking certification;
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- 1313 2) Current certification as Fire Service Vehicle Operator;
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- 1315 3) Successful completion of a Fire Apparatus Engineer course consisting of a
1316 minimum of 40 instructional hours;
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- 1318 4) Passage of the State Written and State Practical Examinations; and
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- 1320 5) Application for Certification.
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- 1322 c) Training documentation shall be maintained in the fire service personnel's training
1323 records at the employing fire department.
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- 1325 d) A qualified instructor for this level must be certified as Fire Service Instructor II
1326 and Fire Apparatus Engineer. There shall be at least one instructor for every 6
1327 students during State Practical Examination evolutions.
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- 1329 e) Fire department or individual reimbursement may be available for training costs
1330 for Fire Apparatus Engineer as provided in Subpart E.

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1332 f) The course as set forth in Section 141.115 and the training facility as set forth in
1333 Section 141.100 must be approved by the Division.
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1335 g) Credit for an equivalent course will be approved by the Division when the
1336 equivalent course meets the requirements of Section 141.120.
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1338 (Source: Amended at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)
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1340 **Section 141.309 Company Fire Officer**
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1342 a) An Illinois Company Fire Officer certification shall meet or exceed the
1343 qualifications identified in NFPA 1021.
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1345 b) Prerequisites
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1347 1) Engagement as Illinois fire protection personnel, as attested by the
1348 employing fire chief of the candidate seeking certification;
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1350 2) Current certification as Advanced Technician Firefighter;
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1352 3) Current certification as Fire Service Instructor I;
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1354 4) Successful completion of a Company Fire Officer course following the
1355 described phases of education:
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1357 A) Phase 1: Background and foundational information can be taught
1358 via on-line learning management systems or in the classroom,
1359 consisting of a minimum of 40 instructional hours; and
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1361 B) Phase 2: Practical applications and information review shall be
1362 completed in a traditional classroom setting. This section shall be
1363 completed in class to achieve student interaction with the complex
1364 management situations that Company Fire Officers encounter.
1365 This phase consists of a minimum of 80 instructional hours.
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1367 5) Passage of the State Written Examination:
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1369 A) Once a candidate has successfully completed Phases 1 and 2 of an
1370 approved Company Fire Officer course, the candidate may
1371 challenge the State Written Examination.
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- 1373 B) The State Written Examination must be passed within one year
1374 after completion of Phase 2 of an approved Company Fire Officer
1375 course. If the State Written Examination is not passed within one
1376 year after the completion of Phase 2 of an approved Company Fire
1377 Officer course, the candidate will be required to retake Phases 1
1378 and 2 prior to receiving certification.
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- 1380 6) Phase 3: Upon successful completion of Company Fire Officer Phases 1
1381 and 2, and passage of the State Written Examination, the candidate will
1382 have a maximum of 3 years to complete the Company Fire Officer Task
1383 Book (Task Book), supplied by the Division.
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- 1385 A) The completed Task Book shall be verified by a certified Company
1386 Fire Officer.
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- 1388 B) The qualified instructor and employing fire chief shall document
1389 the completion of the Task Book.
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- 1391 C) If the Task Book is not completed within 3 years, the candidate
1392 shall be required to retake all Phases prior to certification.
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- 1394 D) All tasks in the Task Book must be completed after the candidate's
1395 passage of the State Written Examination. Any tasks completed in
1396 the Task Book prior to passage of the State Written Examination
1397 shall not be counted towards the completion of the Task Book.
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- 1399 7) Documentation of a minimum of 4 cumulative years of fire service
1400 experience; and
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- 1402 8) Application for Certification.
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- 1404 c) Training documentation shall be maintained in the fire service personnel's training
1405 records at the employing fire department.
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- 1407 d) A qualified instructor for this level must be certified as Fire Service Instructor II
1408 and Company Fire Officer.
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- 1410 e) Fire department or individual reimbursement may be available for training costs
1411 for Company Fire Officer as provided in Subpart E.
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- 1413 f) The course as set forth in Section 141.115 and the training facility as set forth in
1414 Section 141.100 must be approved by the Division.
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- 1416 g) Credit for an equivalent course will be approved by the Division when the
1417 equivalent course meets the requirements of Section 141.120.
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- 1419 h) Exception to Prerequisites. If a candidate was previously certified as Fire Officer
1420 I, and meets the requirements of subsections (b)(1), (2), (3), (7), and (8), then the
1421 candidate must pass the Company Fire Officer State Written Examination and
1422 complete the Task Book to be issued a Company Fire Officer certification.
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1424 (Source: Amended at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)
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1426 **Section 141.310 Fire Service Executive Support**
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- 1428 a) An Illinois Fire Service Executive Support certification shall meet or exceed the
1429 qualifications identified in NFPA 1021.
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- 1431 b) Prerequisites
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- 1433 1) Engagement as Illinois fire protection personnel, as attested by the
1434 employing fire chief of the candidate seeking certification;
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 - 1436 2) Successful completion of the Fire Service Executive Support courses
1437 consisting of a minimum of 104 instructional hours;
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 - 1439 3) Passage of the State Written and Practical Examinations;
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 - 1441 4) Documentation of a minimum of 3 cumulative years of fire service
1442 experience; and
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 - 1444 5) Application for Certification.
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- 1446 c) Training documentation shall be maintained in the fire service personnel's training
1447 records at the employing fire department.
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- 1449 d) A qualified instructor for this level must be certified as ~~Fire Service Instructor II~~
1450 ~~and~~ Fire Service Executive Support.
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- 1452 e) Fire department or individual reimbursement may be available for training costs
1453 for Fire Service Executive Support as provided in Subpart E.
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- 1455 f) The course as set forth in Section 141.115 and the training facility as set forth in
1456 Section 141.100 must be approved by the Division.
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1458 g) Credit for an equivalent course will be approved by the Division when the
1459 equivalent course meets the requirements of Section 141.120.
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1461 (Source: Amended at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)
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1463 **Section 141.315 Advanced Fire Officer**
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1465 a) An Illinois Advanced Fire Officer certification shall meet or exceed the
1466 qualifications identified in NFPA 1021.
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1468 b) Prerequisites
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1470 1) Engagement as Illinois fire protection personnel, as attested by the
1471 employing fire chief of the candidate seeking certification;
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1473 2) Current certification as a Company Fire Officer;
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1475 3) Current certification as Fire Department Incident Safety Officer;
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1477 4) Current certification as Fire Service Instructor II;
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1479 5) Completion of the NIMS 800 course;
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1481 6) Successful completion of an Advanced Fire Officer course following the
1482 described phases of education:
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1484 A) Phase 1: Background and foundational information can be taught
1485 via on-line learning management systems or in the classroom,
1486 consisting of a minimum of 40 instructional hours; and
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1488 B) Phase 2: Practical applications and information review shall be
1489 completed in a traditional classroom setting. This section shall be
1490 completed in class to achieve student interaction with the complex
1491 management situations that Advanced Fire Officers encounter.
1492 This phase consists of a minimum of 80 instructional hours.
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1494 7) Passage of the State Written Examination:
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1496 A) Once a candidate has successfully completed Phases 1 and 2 of an
1497 approved Advanced Fire Officer course, the candidate may
1498 challenge the State Written Examination.
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- 1500 B) The State Written Examination must be passed within one year
1501 after completion of Phase 2 of an approved Advanced Fire Officer
1502 course. If the State Written Examination is not passed within one
1503 year after completion of Phase 2 of an approved Advanced Fire
1504 Officer course, the candidate must retake Phases 1 and 2 prior to
1505 receiving certification.
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- 1507 8) Phase 3: Upon successful completion of Advanced Fire Officer Phases 1
1508 and 2 and passage of the State Written Examination, the candidate will
1509 have a maximum of 3 years to complete the Advanced Fire Officer Task
1510 Book (Task Book) supplied by the Division.
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- 1512 A) The completed Task Book shall be verified by a certified
1513 Advanced Fire Officer.
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- 1515 B) The qualified instructor and employing fire chief shall document
1516 the completion of the Task Book.
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- 1518 C) If the Task Book is not completed within 3 years, the candidate
1519 shall be required to retake all Phases prior to certification.
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- 1521 D) All tasks in the Task Book must be completed after the candidate's
1522 passage of the State Written Examination. Any tasks completed in
1523 the Task Book prior to passage of the State Written Examination
1524 shall not be counted towards the completion of the Task Book.
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- 1526 9) Documentation of a minimum of 5 cumulative years of fire service
1527 experience; and
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- 1529 10) Application for Certification.
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- 1531 c) Training documentation shall be maintained in the fire service personnel's training
1532 records at the employing fire department.
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- 1534 d) A qualified instructor for this level must be certified as Fire Service Instructor II
1535 and Advanced Fire Officer.
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- 1537 e) Fire department or individual reimbursement may be available for training costs
1538 for Advanced Fire Officer as provided in Subpart E.
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- 1540 f) The course as set forth in Section 141.115 and the training facility as set forth in
1541 Section 141.100 must be approved by the Division.
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- 1543 g) Credit for equivalent courses will be approved by the Division when the
1544 equivalent course meets the requirements of Section 141.120.
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- 1546 h) Exception to Prerequisites. If a candidate was previously certified as Fire Officer
1547 II, and meets the requirements of subsections (b)(1) through (5), (9) and (10), then
1548 the candidate pass the Advanced Fire Officer State Written Examination and
1549 complete the Task Book to be issued an Advanced Fire Officer certification.
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1551 (Source: Amended at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)
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1553 **Section 141.316 Chief Fire Officer**
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- 1555 a) An Illinois Chief Fire Officer certification shall meet or exceed the qualifications
1556 identified in NFPA 1021.
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- 1558 b) Prerequisites
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 - 1560 1) Engagement as Illinois fire protection personnel, as attested by the
1561 employing fire chief of the candidate seeking certification;
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 - 1563 2) Currently hold a position at the managerial or administrative level; and
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 - 1565 3) Current certification as an Advanced Fire Officer;
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 - 1567 4) Completion of the NIMS 300 and 400 Command and General Staff
1568 courses;
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 - 1570 5) Documentation of a minimum of 10 cumulative years of fire service
1571 experience;
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 - 1573 6) Submission of the Chief Fire Officer application supplied by the Division,
1574 including:
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 - 1576 A) Resume;
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 - 1578 B) Organizational chart of their fire department;
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 - 1580 C) Copy of their highest degree or transcripts;
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 - 1582 D) Copy of their Advanced Fire Officer certification;
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 - 1584 E) Copies of their NIMS 300 and 400 or Command and General Staff
1585 course completions;

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- F) Three letters of reference, one being from their immediate supervisor;
 - G) Documentation of a minimum of 10 cumulative years of fire service experience; and
 - H) Signed statement of attestation by the fire chief or, in the case of the applicant being the fire chief, the supervisor of the fire chief (such as Mayor, President of Trustees or similar official).
- 7) Successful completion of an approved Chief Fire Officer course following these phases of education:
- A) Phase 1: Background and foundational information can be taught via online learning management systems or in the classroom, consisting of a minimum of 200 instructional hours; and
 - B) Phase 2: Practical applications and information review shall be completed in a traditional classroom setting. This section shall be completed in class to achieve student interaction with the complex management situations that Chief Fire Officers encounter. This phase consists of a minimum of 100 instructional hours.
- 8) Passage of the State Written Examination;
- A) Once a candidate has successfully completed Phases 1 and 2 of an approved Chief Fire Officer course, the candidate may challenge the State Written Examination;
 - B) The State Written Examination shall be passed within one year after completion of Phase 2 of an approved Chief Fire Officer course. If the State Written Examination is not passed within one year after completion of Phase 2 of an approved Chief Fire Officer course, the candidate shall be required to retake Phases 1 and 2 prior to receiving certification;
- 9) Phase 3: Submission of a completed task book for certification. The task book for certification shall be signed by the fire chief or, in the case of the applicant being the fire chief, the supervisor of the fire chief (such as Mayor, President of Trustees or similar official). The candidate shall have a maximum of 3 years from date of passage of the State Written Examination to complete the Chief Fire Officer task book supplied by the

1629 Division;

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1631 10) For Full Certification, a candidate must meet all requirements in NFPA
1632 1021 for Fire Officer III and Fire Officer IV and the requirements
1633 identified in the current task book.

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1635 11) For Provisional Certification, a candidate must meet all requirements in
1636 NFPA 1021 for Fire Officer III and requirements identified in the current
1637 task book.

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1639 12) Candidates who have completed a Chief Fire Officer course prior to
1640 January 1, 2022, and have not received Full Certification by December 31,
1641 2025, must complete a new course prior to applying for or receiving Full
1642 Certification at the Chief Fire Officer level.

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1644 c) Training documentation shall be maintained in the fire service personnel's training
1645 records at the employing fire department.

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1647 d) A qualified instructor for this level must be certified as Fire Service Instructor II
1648 and Chief Fire Officer.

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1650 e) Fire department or individual reimbursement may be available for training costs
1651 for Chief Fire Officer as provided in Subpart E.

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1653 f) The course as set forth in Section 141.115 and the training facility as set forth in
1654 Section 141.100 must be approved by the Division.

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1656 g) Credit for an equivalent course will be approved by the Division when the
1657 equivalent course meets the requirements of Section 141.120.

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1659 (Source: Amended at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)

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1661 **Section 141.326 Basic Fire Prevention Officer**

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1663 a) An Illinois Basic Fire Prevention Officer certification shall meet or exceed the
1664 qualifications identified in NFPA 1030~~1031 and NFPA 1035~~.

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1666 b) Prerequisites

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1668 1) Engagement as Illinois fire protection personnel or employed by a local
1669 governmental agency, as attested by the fire chief of the candidate seeking
1670 certification;

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- 1672 2) Current Certification as Fire Inspector I;
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1674 3) Current Certification as Public Fire and Life Safety Educator I;
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1676 4) Documentation of a minimum of 2 cumulative years of fire prevention
1677 activities; and
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1679 5) Application for Certification.
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1681 c) Training documentation shall be maintained in the fire service personnel's training
1682 records at the employing fire department.
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1684 d) A qualified instructor for this level must be certified as Fire Service Instructor II
1685 and Basic Fire Prevention Officer.
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1687 e) Credit for an equivalent course will be approved by the Division when the
1688 equivalent course meets the requirements of Section 141.120.
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1690 (Source: Amended at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)
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1692 **Section 141.327 Fire Inspector I**
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- 1694 a) An Illinois Fire Inspector I certification shall meet or exceed the qualifications
1695 identified in NFPA ~~1031~~¹⁰³⁴.
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1697 b) Prerequisites
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1699 1) Engagement as Illinois fire protection personnel or employed by a local
1700 governmental agency, as attested by the fire chief of the candidate seeking
1701 certification;
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1703 2) Successful completion of a Fire Inspector I course consisting of a
1704 minimum of 40 instructional hours;
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1706 3) Passage of the State Written and Practical Examinations;
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1708 4) Documentation of a minimum of one cumulative year of fire prevention
1709 and inspection activity; and
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1711 5) Application for Certification.
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1713 c) Training documentation shall be maintained in the fire service personnel's training
1714 records at the employing department.

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1716 d) A qualified instructor for this level must be certified as Fire Service Instructor II
1717 and Fire Inspector I.
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1719 e) Fire department or individual reimbursement may be available for training costs
1720 for Fire Inspector I as provided in Subpart E.
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1722 f) The course as set forth in Section 141.115 and the training facility as set forth in
1723 Section 141.100 must be approved by the Division.
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1725 g) Credit for an equivalent course will be approved by the Division when the
1726 equivalent course meets the requirements of Section 141.120.
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1728 (Source: Amended at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)
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1730 **Section 141.328 Youth Firesetting Prevention and ~~Firesetter~~-Intervention Specialist**
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- 1732 a) An Illinois Youth Firesetting Prevention and ~~Firesetter~~-Intervention Specialist
1733 certification shall meet or exceed the qualifications identified in NFPA 1030~~1035~~.
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1735 b) Prerequisites
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1737 1) Engagement as Illinois fire protection personnel or local governmental
1738 agency or the Office, as attested by the fire chief of the candidate seeking
1739 certification;
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1741 2) Successful completion of a Youth Firesetting Prevention and ~~Firesetter~~
1742 Intervention Specialist course consisting of a minimum of 12 instructional
1743 hours;
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1745 3) Passage of the State Written Examination; and
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1747 4) Application for Certification.
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1749 c) Training documentation shall be maintained in the fire service personnel's training
1750 records at the employing fire department.
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1752 d) A qualified instructor for this level must be certified as Fire Service Instructor II
1753 and Youth Firesetting Prevention and ~~Firesetter~~-Intervention Specialist.
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1755 e) Fire department or individual reimbursement may be available for training costs
1756 for Youth Firesetting Prevention and ~~Firesetter~~-Intervention Specialist as provided
1757 in Subpart E.

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- f) The course as set forth in Section 141.115 and the training facility as set forth in Section 141.100 must be approved by the Division.
- g) Credit for an equivalent course will be approved by the Division when the equivalent course meets the requirements of Section 141.120.

(Source: Amended at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)

Section 141.329 Fire Inspector II

- a) An Illinois Fire Inspector II certification shall meet or exceed the qualifications identified in NFPA ~~1030~~1031.
- b) Prerequisites
 - 1) Engagement as Illinois fire protection personnel or employed by a local governmental agency, as attested by the fire chief of the candidate seeking certification;
 - 2) Current certification as Fire Inspector I;
 - 3) Successful completion of a Fire Inspector II course consisting of a minimum of 40 instructional hours;
 - 4) Passage of the State Written and Practical Examinations;
 - 5) Documentation of a minimum of 3 cumulative years of fire prevention and inspection activity; and
 - 6) Application for Certification.
- c) Training documentation shall be maintained in the fire service personnel's training records at the employing department.
- d) A qualified instructor for this level must be certified as Fire Service Instructor II and Fire Inspector II.
- e) Fire department or individual reimbursement may be available for training costs for Fire Inspector II as provided in Subpart E.
- f) The course as set forth in Section 141.115 and the training facility as set forth in Section 141.100 must be approved by the Division.

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1802 g) Credit for an equivalent course will be approved by the Division when the
1803 equivalent course meets the requirements of Section 141.120.
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1805 (Source: Amended at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)
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1807 **Section 141.330 Public Fire and Life Safety Educator I**
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1809 a) An Illinois Public Fire and Life Safety Educator I certification shall meet or
1810 exceed the qualifications identified in NFPA 1030~~1035~~.
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1812 b) Prerequisites
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1814 1) Engagement as Illinois fire protection personnel or employed by a local
1815 governmental agency, as attested by the fire chief of the candidate seeking
1816 certification;
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1818 2) Successful completion of a Public Fire and Life Safety Educator I course
1819 consisting of a minimum of 32 instructional hours;
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1821 3) Passage of the State Written and Practical Examinations;
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1823 4) Documentation of a minimum of one cumulative year of fire prevention
1824 experience; and
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1826 5) Application for Certification.
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1828 c) Training documentation shall be maintained in the fire service personnel's training
1829 records at the employing department.
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1831 d) A qualified instructor for this level must be certified as Fire Service Instructor II
1832 and Public Fire and Life Safety Educator I.
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1834 e) Fire department or individual reimbursement may be available for training costs
1835 for Public Fire and Life Safety Educator I as provided in Subpart E.
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1837 f) The course as set forth in Section 141.115 and the training facility as set forth in
1838 Section 141.100 must be approved by the Division.
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1840 g) Credit for an equivalent course will be approved by the Division when the
1841 equivalent course meets the requirements of Section 141.120.
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1843 (Source: Amended at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)

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Section 141.331 Advanced Fire Prevention Officer

- a) An Illinois Advanced Fire Prevention Officer certification shall meet or exceed the qualifications identified in NFPA ~~1031~~ 1030 ~~and NFPA-1035.~~
- b) Prerequisites
 - 1) Engagement as Illinois fire protection personnel or employed by a local governmental agency, as attested by the fire chief of the candidate seeking certification;
 - 2) Current certification as Basic Fire Prevention Officer;
 - 3) Current certification as Fire Inspector II;
 - 4) Current certification as Public and Life Safety Educator I;
 - 5) Successful completion of an approved Plans Examiner course;
 - 6) Documentation of a minimum of 4 cumulative years of experience in fire prevention activities; and
 - 7) Application for Certification.
- c) Training documentation shall be maintained in the fire service personnel's training records at the employing department.
- d) A qualified instructor for this level must be certified as Fire Service Instructor II and Advanced Fire Prevention Officer.
- e) Credit for an equivalent course will be approved by the Division when the equivalent course meets the requirements of Section 141.120.

(Source: Amended at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)

Section 141.334 Fire Investigator

- a) An Illinois Fire Investigator certification shall meet or exceed the qualifications identified in NFPA 1033 ~~and NFPA-921.~~
- b) Prerequisites

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- 1) Engagement as Illinois fire protection personnel or employed by a local governmental agency or the Office, as attested by the chief of the candidate seeking certification;
 - 2) Successful completion of a Fire Investigator course consisting of a minimum of 120 total instructional hours. The course ~~may~~ shall be offered in 3 modules. Each module shall consist of a minimum of 40 instructional hours per module;
 - 3) Passage of the State Written and Practical Examinations; and
 - 4) Application for Certification.
- c) Training documentation shall be maintained in the fire service personnel's training records at the employing department.
- d) A qualified instructor for this level must be certified as Fire Service Instructor II and Fire Investigator. There shall be at least one instructor for every 6 students during State Practical Examination evolutions.
- e) Fire department or individual reimbursement may be available for training costs for Fire Investigator as provided in Subpart E.
- f) The course as set forth in Section 141.115 and the training facility as set forth in Section 141.100 must be approved by the Division.
- g) Credit for an equivalent course will be approved by the Division when the equivalent course meets the requirements of Section 141.120.

1916 (Source: Amended at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)

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1918 **Section 141.336 Arson Investigator (Repealed)**

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- a) ~~An Illinois Arson Investigator certification shall meet or exceed the qualifications identified in NFPA 1033 and NFPA 921.~~
 - b) ~~Prerequisites~~
 - 1) ~~Engagement as Illinois fire protection personnel or employed by a local governmental agency or the Office, as attested by the chief of the candidate seeking certification;~~
 - 2) ~~Successful completion of the Fire Investigator Course (see Section~~

- 1930 ~~141.334);~~
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1932 3) ~~Successful completion of an Arson Investigator course approved by the~~
1933 ~~Division and the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board;~~
1934 ~~and~~
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1936 4) ~~Application for Certification.~~
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1938 e) ~~Training documentation shall be maintained in the fire service personnel's training~~
1939 ~~records at the employing department.~~
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1941 d) ~~A qualified instructor must be approved by the Division and the Illinois Law~~
1942 ~~Enforcement Training and Standards Board prior to the course offering.~~
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1944 e) ~~Fire department or individual reimbursement may be available for training costs~~
1945 ~~for Arson Investigator as provided in Subpart E.~~
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1947 f) ~~The course as set forth in Section 141.115 and the training facility as set forth in~~
1948 ~~Section 141.100 must be approved by the Division.~~
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1950 (Source: Repealed at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)
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1952 **Section 141.337 State Fire Marshal Arson Investigator Special Agent**
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- 1954 a) Prerequisites
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1956 1) Employee of the Office's Division of Arson Investigation as a Special
1957 Agent, as attested by the Division Manager of the Office's Division of
1958 Arson Investigation;
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1960 2) Completion of probationary requirements as set forth by the Office,
1961 attested by the Division Manager of the Office's Division of Arson
1962 Investigation;
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1964 3) Current certification as Fire Investigator;
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1966 4) Application for Certification.
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1968 b) Training documentation shall be maintained in the employee's training records at
1969 the Office.
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1971 (Source: Added at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)
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1973 **Section 141.344 Hazardous Materials Operations**

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- a) An Illinois Hazardous Materials Operations certification shall meet or exceed the qualifications identified in NFPA ~~470~~¹⁰⁷².
- b) Prerequisites
 - 1) Engagement as Illinois fire protection personnel, as attested by the employing fire chief of the candidate seeking certification;
 - 2) Current certification as Basic Operations Firefighter;
 - 3) Successful completion of a Hazardous Materials Operations course including the Hazardous Materials Awareness level JPRs consisting of a minimum of 40 instructional hours;
 - 4) Passage of the State Written and Practical Examinations; and
 - 5) Application for Certification.
- c) Training documentation shall be maintained in the fire service personnel's training records at the employing fire department.
- d) A qualified instructor for this level must be certified as Fire Service Instructor I and Hazardous Materials Operations. There shall be at least one instructor for every 6 students during State Practical Examination evolutions.
- e) Fire department or individual reimbursement may be available for training costs for Hazardous Materials Operations as provided in Subpart E.
- f) The course as set forth in Section 141.115 and the training facility as set forth in Section 141.100 must be approved by the Division.
- g) Credit for an equivalent course will be approved by the Division when the equivalent course meets the requirements of Section 141.120.

(Source: Amended at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)

Section 141.346 Hazardous Materials Technician

- a) An Illinois Hazardous Materials Technician certification shall meet or exceed the qualifications identified in NFPA ~~470~~¹⁰⁷².

- 2016 b) Prerequisites
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2018 1) Engagement as Illinois fire protection personnel, as attested by the
2019 employing fire chief of the candidate seeking certification;
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2021 2) Current certification as Hazardous Materials Operations;
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2023 3) Successful completion of a Hazardous Materials Technician course
2024 consisting of a minimum of 80 instructional hours;
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2026 4) Passage of the State Written and Practical Examinations; and
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2028 5) Application for Certification.
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2030 c) Training documentation shall be maintained in the fire service personnel's training
2031 records at the employing fire department.
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2033 d) A qualified instructor for this level must be certified as Fire Service Instructor II
2034 and Hazardous Materials Technician. There shall be at least one instructor for
2035 every 6 students during State Practical Examination evolutions.
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2037 e) Fire department or individual reimbursement may be available for training costs
2038 for Hazardous Materials Technician as provided in Subpart E.
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2040 f) The course as set forth in Section 141.115 and the training facility as set forth in
2041 Section 14.100 must be approved by the Division.
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2043 g) Credit for an equivalent course will be approved by the Division when the
2044 equivalent course meets the requirements of Section 141.120.
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2046 (Source: Amended at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)
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2048 **Section 141.362 Structural Collapse Technician**
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- 2050 a) An Illinois Structural Collapse Technician certification shall meet or exceed the
2051 qualifications identified in NFPA 1006.
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2053 b) Prerequisites
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2055 1) Engagement as Illinois fire protection personnel, as attested by the
2056 employing fire chief of the candidate seeking certification;
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2058 2) Current certification as Structural Collapse Operations;

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2060 3) Current certification as Confined Space Operations;
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2062 ~~4) Current certification as Vehicle and Machinery Operations;~~
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2064 45) Successful completion of a Structural Collapse Technician course
2065 consisting of a minimum of 40 instructional hours;
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2067 56) Passage of the State Written and Practical Examinations; and
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2069 67) Application for Certification.
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2071 c) Training documentation shall be maintained in the fire service personnel's training
2072 records at the employing fire department.
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2074 d) A qualified instructor for this level must be certified as Fire Service Instructor II
2075 and Structural Collapse Technician. There shall be at least one instructor for
2076 every 6 students during State Practical Examination evolutions.
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2078 e) Fire department or individual reimbursement may be available for training costs
2079 for Structural Collapse Technician as provided in Subpart E.
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2081 f) The course as set forth in Section 141.115 and the training facility as set forth in
2082 Section 141.100 must be approved by the Division.
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2084 g) Credit for an equivalent course will be approved by the Division when the
2085 equivalent course meets the requirements of Section 141.120.
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2087 (Source: Amended at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)
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2089 **Section 141.364 Common Passenger Vehicle Rescue ~~and Machinery Operations~~**

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2091 a) An Illinois Common Passenger Vehicle Rescue ~~Vehicle and Machinery~~
2092 ~~Operations~~ certification shall meet or exceed the qualifications identified in NFPA
2093 1006.
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2095 b) Prerequisites
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2097 1) Engagement as Illinois fire protection personnel, as attested by the
2098 employing fire chief of the candidate seeking certification;
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2100 2) Current certification as Basic Operations Firefighter;
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- 2102 3) Successful completion of a Common Passenger Vehicle Rescue~~Vehicle~~
2103 ~~and Machinery Operations~~ course consisting of a minimum of 40
2104 instructional hours;
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2106 4) Passage of the State Written and Practical Examinations; and
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2108 5) Application for Certification.
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2110 c) Training documentation shall be maintained in the fire service personnel's training
2111 records at the employing fire department.
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2113 d) A qualified instructor for this level must be certified as Fire Service Instructor II
2114 and Common Passenger Vehicle Rescue~~Vehicle and Machinery Operations~~.
2115 There shall be at least one instructor for every 6 students during State Practical
2116 Examination evolutions.
2117
2118 e) Fire department or individual reimbursement may be available for training costs
2119 for Common Passenger Vehicle Rescue~~Vehicle and Machinery Operations~~ as
2120 provided in Subpart E.
2121
2122 f) The course as set forth in Section 141.115 and the training facility as set forth in
2123 Section 141.100 must be approved by the Division.
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2125 g) Credit for an equivalent course will be approved by the Division when the
2126 equivalent course meets the requirements of Section 141.120.

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2128 (Source: Amended at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)
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2130 **Section 141.366 Heavy Vehicle Rescue~~and Machinery Technician~~**

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2132 a) An Illinois Heavy Vehicle Rescue~~Vehicle and Machinery Technician~~ certification
2133 shall meet or exceed the qualifications identified in NFPA 1006.
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2135 b) Prerequisites
2136
2137 1) Engagement as Illinois fire protection personnel, as attested by the
2138 employing fire chief of the candidate seeking certification;
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2140 2) Current certification as Common Passenger Vehicle Rescue~~Vehicle and~~
2141 ~~Machinery Operations~~;
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2143 3) ~~Current certification as Rope Operations~~;
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- 2145 34) Successful completion of a Heavy Vehicle Rescue~~Vehicle and Machinery~~
2146 ~~Technician~~ course consisting of a minimum of 40 instructional hours;
2147
2148 45) Passage of the State Written and Practical Examinations; and
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2150 56) Application for Certification.
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2152 c) Training documentation shall be maintained in the fire service personnel's training
2153 records at the employing fire department.
2154
2155 d) A qualified instructor for this level must be certified as Fire Service Instructor II
2156 and Heavy Vehicle Rescue~~Vehicle and Machinery Technician~~. There shall be at
2157 least one instructor for every 6 students during State Practical Examination
2158 evolutions.
2159
2160 e) Fire department or individual reimbursement may be available for training costs
2161 for Heavy Vehicle Rescue~~Vehicle and Machinery Technician~~ as provided in
2162 Subpart E.
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2164 f) The course as set forth in Section 141.115 and the training facility as set forth in
2165 Section 141.100 must be approved by the Division.
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2167 g) Credit for an equivalent course will be approved by the Division when the
2168 equivalent course meets the requirements of Section 141.120.

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2170 (Source: Amended at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)
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2172 **Section 141.370 Fire Service Vehicle Operator**
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- 2174 a) An Illinois Fire Service Vehicle Operator certification shall meet or exceed the
2175 qualifications identified in NFPA 1010~~1002 and NFPA 1451~~.
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2177 b) Prerequisites
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2179 1) Engagement as Illinois fire protection personnel, as attested by the
2180 employing fire chief of the candidate seeking certification;
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2182 2) Current certification as Basic Operations Firefighter;
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2184 3) Successful completion of a Fire Service Vehicle Operator course
2185 consisting of a minimum of 8 instructional hours;
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2187 4) Passage of the State Written and Practical Examinations;

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2189 5) Completion of the required NFPA ~~1010~~¹⁰⁰² competency course;
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2191 6) Completion of an additional 8 hours of documented driving of the vehicles
2192 with differing wheelbases in use by the employing authority having
2193 jurisdiction; and
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2195 7) Application for Certification.
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2197 c) Training documentation shall be maintained in the fire service personnel's training
2198 records at the employing fire department.
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2200 d) A qualified instructor for this level must be certified as Fire Service Instructor I
2201 and Fire Service Vehicle Operator. There shall be at least one instructor for every
2202 6 students during State Practical Examination evolutions.
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2204 e) Fire department or individual reimbursement may be available for training costs
2205 for Fire Service Vehicle Operator as provided in Subpart E.
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2207 f) The course as set forth in Section 141.115 and the training facility as set forth in
2208 Section 141.100 must be approved by the Division.
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2210 g) Credit for an equivalent course will be approved by the Division when the
2211 equivalent course meets the requirements of Section 141.120.
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2213 (Source: Amended at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)
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2215 **Section 141.385 Rescue Operations (Repealed)**
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- 2217 a) **Prerequisites**
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2219 1) ~~Engagement as Illinois fire protection personnel, as attested by the~~
2220 ~~employing fire chief of the candidate seeking certification;~~
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2222 2) ~~Current certification as Rope Operations;~~
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2224 3) ~~Current certification as Structural Collapse Operations;~~
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2226 4) ~~Current certification as Confined Space Operations;~~
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2228 5) ~~Current certification as Vehicle and Machinery Operations;~~
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2230 6) ~~Current certification as Trench Operations;~~

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- 7) ~~Current certification as Surface Water Operations; and~~
 - 8) ~~Application for Certification.~~
 - b) ~~Training documentation shall be maintained in the fire service personnel's training records at the employing fire department.~~
 - e) ~~A qualified instructor for this level must be certified as Fire Service Instructor II and Rescue Operations.~~

(Source: Repealed at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)

Section 141.386 Rescue Technician (Repealed)

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- a) ~~Prerequisites~~
 - 1) ~~Engagement as Illinois fire protection personnel, as attested by the employing fire chief of the candidate seeking certification;~~
 - 2) ~~Current certification as Rope Technician;~~
 - 3) ~~Current certification as Structural Collapse Technician;~~
 - 4) ~~Current certification as Confined Space Technician;~~
 - 5) ~~Current certification as Vehicle and Machinery Technician;~~
 - 6) ~~Current certification as Trench Technician;~~
 - 7) ~~Current certification as Watercraft Technician; and~~
 - 8) ~~Application for Certification.~~
 - b) ~~Training documentation shall be maintained in the fire service personnel's training records at the employing fire department.~~
 - e) ~~A qualified instructor for this level must be certified as Fire Service Instructor II and Rescue Technician.~~

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Section 141.390 Recertifications

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- a) The goal of the recertification process shall be to ensure continued demonstration of knowledge and skill proficiency in given areas of certification for Illinois fire service personnel.
 - b) All referenced recertifications in this Section shall be specific to certifications attained from the Office.
 - c) Any certification that requires a recertification shall remain valid if the recertification requirements are not completed, but shall not be considered current. Certifications that are not considered current shall be ineligible to be used as a prerequisite to obtain a higher level of certification.
 - d) Certifications that require recertification are:
 - 1) Fire Investigator
 - ~~2) Arson Investigator~~
 - e) ~~Certifications that require recertification beginning January 1, 2022 are:~~
 - ~~21) Fire Apparatus Engineer~~
 - ~~32) Company Fire Officer~~
 - ~~43) Fire Department Incident Safety Officer~~
 - ~~54) Fire Department Health and Safety Officer~~
 - ~~65) Advanced Fire Officer~~
 - ~~76) Chief Fire Officer~~
 - ~~87) Fire Department Safety Officer~~
 - ~~98) Fire Service Instructor I~~
 - ~~109) Fire Service Instructor II~~
 - ~~1140) Fire Service Instructor III~~
 - ~~1244) Training Program Manager~~

- 2317 ~~1312~~) Fire Inspector I
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- 2319 ~~1413~~) Fire Inspector II
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- 2321 ~~1514~~) Public Fire and Life Safety Educator I
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- 2323 ~~1615~~) Hazardous Materials Operations
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- 2325 ~~1716~~) Hazardous Materials Technician
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- 2327 ~~1817~~) Confined Space Operations
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- 2329 ~~1918~~) Confined Space Technician
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- 2331 ~~2019~~) Trench Operations
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- 2333 ~~2120~~) Trench Technician
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- 2335 ~~2221~~) Structural Collapse Operations
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- 2337 ~~2322~~) Structural Collapse Technician
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- 2339 ~~2423~~) Common Passenger Vehicle Rescue~~Vehicle and Machinery Operations~~
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- 2341 ~~2524~~) Heavy Vehicle Rescue~~Vehicle and Machinery Technician~~
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- 2343 ~~2625~~) Rope Operations
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- 2345 ~~2726~~) Fire Service Vehicle Operator
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- 2347 ~~2827~~) Rope Technician
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- 2349 ~~28~~) ~~Rescue Operations~~
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- 2351 ~~29~~) ~~Rescue Technician~~
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- 2353 ~~e~~f) Level-specific certifications issued on or before January 1, 2022 will no longer be
- 2354 considered current on December 31, 2025, except for Fire Investigator ~~and Arson~~
- 2355 ~~Investigator~~, which ~~is~~are referenced further within this Section.
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- 2357 ~~f~~g) Certifications issued on or after January 1, 2022 will no longer be considered
- 2358 current 4 years after their issuance date.
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- 2360 gh) Recertification process for all levels except Fire Investigator ~~and Arson~~
2361 Investigator:
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- 2363 1) Certifications shall remain current 4 years after their issuance date.
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 - 2365 2) Applicants for recertification must hold a current level-specific
2366 certification issued by the Office.
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 - 2368 3) Applicants for recertification must complete recertification training that
2369 follows the level-specific job performance requirements ("JPRs") in the
2370 relevant NFPA Standard within the previous 4-year certification period:
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 - 2372 A) Documentation of successful recertification training may be
2373 demonstrated by completing the level-specific Recertification Task
2374 Book (Task Book).
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 - 2376 B) If an applicant or fire department opts not to utilize the Task Book,
2377 documentation of successful recertification training shall be
2378 maintained in the fire service personnel's training record. Training
2379 records utilized for recertification documentation, at a minimum,
2380 shall include the components listed on the Task Book Proficiency
2381 Log Sheets.
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 - 2383 4) Application for recertification:
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 - 2385 A) If utilizing the Task Book, the Proficiency Log Sheets shall be
2386 uploaded using the DPSE WebAccess Portal.
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 - 2388 B) If not utilizing the Task Book, a completion report meeting the
2389 same criteria of the Proficiency Log Sheets shall be uploaded using
2390 the DPSE WebAccess Portal.
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 - 2392 C) In lieu of uploading either the Proficiency Log Sheets or
2393 completion report, recertification completion data shall be
2394 manually entered in the DPSE WebAccess Portal.
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 - 2396 D) The application for recertification cannot be submitted more than
2397 12 months prior to the date upon which certification is no longer
2398 considered current.
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 - 2400 5) The Division shall send notification to the employing fire department at
2401 one year and at 90-days prior to the date that fire service personnel's
2402 certification will no longer be considered current.

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- 6) The Office shall grant each candidate a 90-day grace period to complete the recertification requirements. If recertification is not completed within the 90-day grace period, the candidate may maintain current certification in the established recertification cycle if the candidate completes a new Task Book within 6 months of the end of the 90-day grace period, with task dates after the date the previous certification is no longer considered current. The application for recertification shall include the Proficiency Log Sheets uploaded or manually entered using the DPSE WebAccess Portal. Training used in one certification cycle cannot be used towards recertification in another certification cycle. If the new Task Book is not completed within 9 months of the original date that certification is no longer current, the fire service personnel may make the certification current in a new recertification cycle by submitting proof of completion of an approved level-specific course.
 - 7) When submitting for recertification, the fire chief must attest that all the requirements of this Section are met and affirms that:
 - A) The candidate seeking recertification is engaged as Illinois fire protection personnel.
 - B) Training documentation for recertification shall be maintained in the fire service personnel's fire department training records and is available for review by the Division upon request.
 - C) The submission of the application and Proficiency Log Sheets or completion report is true and accurate to the best of their knowledge.
 - 8) Fire service personnel who possess the highest level of certification within specific disciplines and who desire that certification to remain current, shall only be required to recertify at the highest level. Once recertified at the highest level, all lower level recertifications shall automatically be processed and approved.
 - 9) ~~Recertification Requirements for Rescue Operations. Fire service personnel who possess a Rescue Operations certification may complete the recertification requirements outlined in the level-specific JPRs in the relevant NFPA Standards in lieu of completing each rescue operations-level requirements for recertification.~~

- 2445 A) ~~Documentation of successful recertification training may be~~
2446 ~~demonstrated by completing the Task Book.~~
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- 2448 B) ~~If a fire department opts not to utilize the Task Book,~~
2449 ~~documentation of successful recertification training shall be~~
2450 ~~maintained in the fire service personnel's training record.~~
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- 2452 C) ~~Training records utilized for recertification documentation, at a~~
2453 ~~minimum, shall include the components listed on the Task Book~~
2454 ~~Proficiency Log Sheets.~~
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- 2456 10) ~~Recertification Requirements for Rescue Technician. Fire service~~
2457 ~~personnel who possess a Rescue Technician certification may complete~~
2458 ~~the recertification requirements outlined in the level-specific JPRs in the~~
2459 ~~relevant NFPA Standards in lieu of completing each rescue technician-~~
2460 ~~level requirement for recertification.~~
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- 2462 A) ~~Documentation of successful recertification training may be~~
2463 ~~documented by completing the Task Book.~~
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- 2465 B) ~~If an applicant or fire department opts not to utilize the Task Book,~~
2466 ~~documentation of successful recertification training shall be~~
2467 ~~maintained in the fire service personnel's training record.~~
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- 2469 C) ~~Training records utilized for recertification documentation, at a~~
2470 ~~minimum, shall include the components listed on the Task Book~~
2471 ~~Proficiency Log Sheets.~~
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- 2473 hi) ~~Recertification Process for Fire Investigator and Arson Investigator.~~
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- 2475 1) Certifications shall remain current 4 years after their issuance date.
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- 2477 2) Applicants for recertification must hold a current Office level-specific
- 2478 certification.
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- 2480 3) Applicants for recertification shall complete recertification training that
- 2481 follows the established course objectives identified in NFPA 1033,
- 2482 totaling 100 points over the 4-year period, based on the point system on
- 2483 the tally sheet used by the Division. Point dissemination shall be
- 2484 determined by the Division.
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- 2486 4) Application for recertification:
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- 2488 A) If utilizing the Division-supplied Recertification Tally Sheet, the
2489 Tally Sheet shall be uploaded using the DPSE WebAccess Portal.
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- 2491 B) If not utilizing the Division-supplied Recertification Tally Sheet, a
2492 completion report meeting the same criteria of the Tally Sheet shall
2493 be uploaded using the DPSE WebAccess Portal.
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- 2495 C) In lieu of uploading either the Tally Sheet or completion report,
2496 recertification completion data shall be manually entered using the
2497 DPSE WebAccess Portal.
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- 2499 D) The application for recertification cannot be submitted more than
2500 12 months prior to the date upon which certification is no longer
2501 considered current.
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- 2503 5) The Division shall send notification to the employing fire department at
2504 one year and at 90-days prior to the date that fire service personnel's
2505 certification shall no longer be considered current.
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- 2507 6) The Office shall grant each candidate a 90-day grace period to complete
2508 the recertification requirements. Training used in one certification cycle
2509 cannot be used towards recertification in another certification cycle. If
2510 recertification is not completed within the 90-day grace period after the
2511 date that certification is no longer considered current and the candidate
2512 desires to maintain a current certification, the candidate shall be required
2513 to complete an approved Fire Investigator course to obtain recertification.
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- 2515 7) When submitting an application for recertification, the chief attests that all
2516 the requirements of this Section are met and affirms that:
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- 2518 A) The candidate seeking recertification is employed by a local
2519 governmental agency or the Office.
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- 2521 B) Training documentation for recertification shall be maintained in
2522 the fire service personnel's department training records and
2523 available for review by the Division upon request.
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- 2525 C) The submission of the application and Tally Sheet or completion
2526 report is true and accurate to the best of their knowledge.
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- 2528 ~~8) For fire service personnel who possess both Fire Investigator and Arson
2529 Investigator certifications and who recertify at either level, the dates that~~

2530 ~~certification is no longer considered current will be changed for both~~
2531 ~~levels to the latter date.~~

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2533 **i**) When all recertification requirements are met, a new certificate will be available
2534 on the DPSE WebAccess Portal.

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2536 **j**) The Office may extend deadlines for requirements of this Section for good cause
2537 shown (e.g., military deployments, medical leaves, personal emergencies, Acts of
2538 God or natural disasters, Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamations, etc.). [50 ILCS
2539 740/1, 11 and 12]

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2541 (Source: Amended at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)

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2543 **Section 141.395 Historical Certification Titles**

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2545 a) The Division reserves the right to acknowledge historical certification titles as
2546 equivalent to current certification titles, to be utilized for instructor qualifications
2547 and as prerequisites for fire service personnel to transition to a current
2548 certification title.

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2550 1) Firefighter II certification shall be allowed as a prerequisite for
2551 certification and instructor qualifications that requires Basic Operations
2552 Firefighter certification. Fire Service personnel who possess a Firefighter
2553 II certification can transition and obtain a Basic Operations Firefighter
2554 certification by completing the additional requirements for certification.
2555 The Firefighter II certification shall be equivalent for the course
2556 completion and State Written and Practical Examinations towards Basic
2557 Operations Firefighter Certification.

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2559 2) Firefighter III certification shall be allowed as a prerequisite for
2560 certification and instructor qualifications that requires Advanced
2561 Technician Firefighter certification. Fire Service personnel who possess a
2562 Firefighter III certification can transition and obtain an Advanced
2563 Technician Firefighter certification by completing the additional
2564 requirements for certification. The Firefighter III certification shall be
2565 equivalent for the course completion and State Written and Practical
2566 Examinations towards Advanced Technician Firefighter Certification.

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2568 3) Fire Officer I certification shall be allowed as a prerequisite for
2569 certification and instructor qualifications that requires Company Fire
2570 Officer certification.

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- 2572 4) Fire Officer II certification shall be allowed as a prerequisite for
2573 certification and instructor qualifications that requires Advanced Fire
2574 Officer certification.
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- 2576 5) Fire Prevention Officer certification shall be equivalent to Basic Fire
2577 Prevention Officer and shall be allowed as a prerequisite for certification
2578 and instructor qualifications for Fire Inspector I.
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- 2580 6) Fire Inspector II and Plans Examiner I shall be equivalent to Advanced
2581 Fire Prevention Officer.
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- 2583 7) Juvenile Firesetter Intervention Specialist shall be equivalent to Youth
2584 Firesetter Intervention Specialist. [Youth Firesetting Prevention and
2585 Intervention Specialist shall be equivalent to Juvenile Firesetter
2586 Intervention Specialist and Youth Firesetter Intervention Specialist.](#)
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- 2588 8) Hazardous Materials First Responder-Operations shall be equivalent to
2589 Hazardous Materials Operations.
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- 2591 9) The combined certifications of Hazardous Materials Technician A and
2592 Hazardous Materials Technician B shall be equivalent to Hazardous
2593 Materials Technician.
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- 2595 10) Rescue Specialist-Confined Space shall be equivalent to Confined Space
2596 Operations.
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- 2598 11) Rescue Specialist-Vertical I shall be equivalent to Rope Operations.
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- 2600 12) Rescue Specialist-Trench shall be equivalent to Trench Operations.
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- 2602 13) Water Operations shall be equivalent to Surface Water Operations.
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- 2604 [14\) Vehicle and Machinery Operations shall be equivalent to Common
2605 Passenger Vehicle Rescue.](#)
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- 2607 [15\) Vehicle and Machinery Technician shall be equivalent to Heavy Vehicle
2608 Rescue.](#)
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2610 (Source: Amended at 48 Ill. Reg. _____, effective _____)