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Date: November, 2012

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Course Title: Exterior Firefighter (Entry Level Fire Training)

SFA Course Code: ELEF

Course Length: 52 Hrs

Lecture/Lab Breakdown: 16/36

Prerequisites: Fireground Support (ELFG), NIMS 700, ICS 100. Minimum age: 14 years old at start of course.

Referenced Text(s): **Essentials of Fire Fighting, Sixth Edition** by International Fire Service Training Association (IFSTA)

Course Goal: Upon successful completion an entry level firefighter shall be able to identify and utilize basic knowledge, skills, and abilities as they relate to exterior fire ground operations.


Course Description: This entry level course is designed to introduce new firefighters to fire ground operation including Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA), fire behavior, building construction, fire extinguishers, forcible entry, ladders, and fire streams/hose line advancement. This is the third of five levels (courses) in the curriculum.

Description of Methodology: This course includes lecture, interactive discussion and practical skills and a written evaluation.

Student Equipment & Supplies: Pen/Pencil, Notebook; **Supported reference material and skill book** (Must remain in possession of student until the end of all levels); helmet, gloves, turnout coat, turnout pants, boots, protective hood, and protective eyewear (safety glasses or goggles), and SCBA required for all classes.

Equipment/Audiovisual/Facility/Supply Requirements:

Classroom with adequate seating; computer; LCD projector; one copy of IFSTA **Essentials of Fire Fighting, Sixth Edition Student Manual** and one copy of the **PSFA Skill Book** (must remain in possession of the student at the conclusion of the course). IFSTA **Essentials of Fire Fighting,**

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Sixth Edition Instructor’s Guide and A/V Package (thumb drive). Fire apparatus, fire extinguishers, Class B burn capability, and forcible entry simulator/props required for practical skills.

Special Notes & Conditions:

Instructor is responsible for documentation in each Student’s Skill Book. Instructors will follow the OSFC 2005-01 Entry Level Fire Training Curriculum Policy # 2005-01, revised September 16, 2013, which includes the General Plan of Instruction for all levels. Class size maximum is 30 students.

Course Outline

<u>Time</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Lecture/Lab</u>
0.5	Orientation and Class Logistics	0.5/0.0
5.0	SCBA (Chapter 6)	1.0/4.0
1.0	Fire Behavior (Chapter 5)	1.0/0.0
2.0	Building Construction (Chapter 4)	2.0/0.0
4.0	Fire Extinguishers (Chapters 7)	2.0/2.0
6.0	Forcible Entry (Chapter 11)	2.0/4.0
16.0	Ladders (Chapter 12)	4.0/12.0
16.0	Fire Streams/Hose Advancement (Chapter 16)	2.0/14.0
1.5	Summary, Review and Evaluation	1.5/0.0

Competency Evaluation Mechanism:

A 75 question exam that contains a balance of true/false and multiple choice questions will be administered. These exams will be generated by the Pennsylvania State Fire Academy and provided to the Educational Training Agency conducting the course and graded by the instructor of record. A 70% passing score and successful completion of eleven (11) skills sheets must be attained for certificate issuance.

Learning Outcomes (Behavioral Objectives):

The applicable job performance objectives and the chapter objectives for Fire Fighter I as listed in the Student Manual for this level (course) are identified in the Plan of Instruction.

Questions/Comments: Please contact the Assistant State Fire Academy Administrator