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Minimum Standard for Accreditation (MSA)

July 2005

Course Title: Interior Firefighter

SFA Course Code: ELIF

Length of Course: 60 Hours

Lecture/Lab Breakdown: 28.5/31.5

Prerequisites: Exterior Firefighter (ELEF)

Referenced Texts: **Firefighter's Handbook** Second Edition

Course Goal: To introduce entry level firefighters to the basic knowledge, skills, and abilities as they relate to interior fireground operations.

Description of Course: This course is designed to introduce new firefighters to interior fireground operation including nozzles and streams, SCBA, rescue, ventilation, fire suppression, salvage, and firefighter survival. This is the fourth of four courses in the curriculum.

Description of Methodology to be used: (Brief) This course includes lecture, interactive discussion and practical skills involving nozzles and streams, SCBA, rescue, ventilation, fire suppression, salvage, and firefighter survival.

Student Equipment/Supply Needs: Pen/Pencil, Notebook; **Firefighter's Handbook** (must remain in possession of the student throughout the entire course); **Firefighter's Handbook Student Workbook/Skillsheet Book** (Must remain in possession of student at the end of the program); helmet, gloves, turnout coat, turnout pants, boots, protective hood, protective eyewear (safety glasses or goggles), and self-contained breathing apparatus with spare cylinder.

Equipment/Audiovisual/Supply requirements: Classroom with adequate seating; computer; projector; one copy of **Firefighter's Handbook** per student (must remain in possession of the student throughout the entire course); one copy of the **Firefighter's Handbook-Student Workbook/Skillsheet Book** (must remain in possession of the student at the conclusion of the course). **Firefighter's Handbook** Second Edition Instructor's Curriculum Package; Specific equipment needs are listed in the *Hands-On Training* section in the applicable chapter of the **Firefighter's Handbook** Second Edition Instructor's Curriculum Package

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Special Notes and Conditions: The live fire portion of this program may be conducted either at a fixed facility or in an acquired structure. If the latter is used, the most current State Fire Academy Live Burn Policy will be followed.

The content of both the Thomson Learning/Delmar **Firefighter's Handbook** Second Edition Instructor's Curriculum Package and the General Plan of Instruction for this course shall constitute a part of this Minimum Standard for Accreditation (MSA).

COURSE OUTLINE

<u>Time</u>	<u>Content</u>
.25 hours	Registration and Orientation
5 hours	Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (FFHB – Chapter 7)
8 hours	Nozzles, Fire Streams, and Foam (FFHB – Chapter 11)
12 hours	Rescue Procedures (FFHB – Chapter 16)
8 hours	Ventilation (FFHB – Chapter 18)
4 hours	Fire Suppression (FFHB – Chapter 19)
8 hours	Salvage, Overhaul, & Cause Determination (FFHB – Chapter 20)
3 hours	Firefighter Survival (FFHB – Chapter 23)
8 hours	Fire Suppression Practical (FFHB – Chapter 19)
2 hours	Coaching and remedial reinforcement
1.75 hours	Summary, review, and evaluation

Competency Evaluation Mechanism (Brief description-attach copy): Practical Skill Sheets referenced in Firefighter's Handbook Second Edition Instructor's Curriculum Package for chapters in question. 100 question exam containing a balance of true/false and multiple choice questions. These exams will be generated by the Educational Training Agency and graded by the instructor of record. A 70% passing score must be attained for certificate issuance.

Course Objectives (specific): The objectives identified in the **Firefighter's Handbook** Second Edition Instructor's Curriculum Package for the chapters that are contained in this course.

Questions/Comments: Contact the Curriculum Specialist