

National Fire Protection Association - 1001

NFPA Fire Fighter 2013 Guide

The following information contains excerpts from NFPA 1001. The DPSST Fire Certification Program has provided an overview for the applicant to use in conjunction with the application process.

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The Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST) Fire Certification Program has created the following examples of current courses that meet requirements for NFPA Fire Fighter I and II standards. Alternative course material can be evaluated as an equivalency, however is not guaranteed to be approved. This must be accomplished through course curriculum and course outlines, for the requested course comparison. It is the responsibility of the applicant to provide their certification information to the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training Fire Certification Section for review. All information must first be approved through the applicants Training Officer or Fire Chief of their respective department.

The NFPA Fire Fighter I and II application for certification and approved courses are based solely on NPFA 1001 Standard for Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications, 2013 Edition not on nationally recognized curriculum. DPSST recognizes national curriculum will meet the intent of the standard for NFPA 1001; however, it is the instructor's responsibility to ensure that the entire standard has been met.

Nationally recognized curriculum includes, but is not limited to the following providers: International Fire Service Training Association (IFSTA), Jones & Bartlett, Delmar, Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute (MFRI), and Action Training Systems.

Oregon Administrative Rules

259-009-0005

Definitions

(33) "NFPA Fire Fighter I" means a member of a fire service agency who has met the Level I job performance requirements of NFPA standard 1001 (sometimes referred to as a journeyman fire fighter).

(34) "NFPA Fire Fighter II" means a member of a fire service agency who met the more stringent Level II job performance requirements of NFPA Standard 1001 (sometimes referred to as a senior fire fighter).

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Fire Service Personnel Certification

(1) A fire service professional affiliated with an Oregon fire service agency may be certified by:

- (a) Satisfactorily completing the requirements specified in section (2) of this rule;
- (b) Through participation in a fire service agency training program accredited by the Department;
- (c) Through a course certified by the Department; or
- (d) By evaluation of experience as specified in OAR 259-009-0063.
- (e) The Department may certify a fire service professional who has satisfactorily completed the requirements for certification as prescribed in section (2) of this rule, including the Task Performance Evaluations (TPE) if applicable.

(2) The following standards for fire service personnel are adopted by reference:

(a) The provisions of the NFPA Standard 1001, 2013 Edition, entitled "Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications";

(A) Delete section 1.3.1.

NOTE: This references NFPA 1500.

(B) Delete section 2.2.

NOTE: This references NFPA 1500 and 1582.

(C) For certification as Fire Fighter II, the applicant must be certified at NFPA 1001 Fire Fighter I as defined by the Department and meet the job performance requirements defined in Sections 6.1 through 6.5.5 of this Standard.

(D) All applicants for certification must complete a task performance evaluation or a Department-approved task book for NFPA Fire Fighter I and NFPA Fire Fighter II. The evaluation or task book must be approved by the Agency Head or Training Officer before an applicant can qualify for certification.

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Certificates Are Property of Department

Certificates and awards are the property of the Department. The Department has the power to revoke or suspend any certificate or award as provided in the Act.

Note to Applicant

- ❖ DPSST approved courses must be successfully “Passed” in order to receive credit towards certification.
- ❖ College courses must be passed with a grade of a “C” or better in order to receive credit towards certification.
- ❖ Placement tests will **not** be accepted as an equivalent to any course requirements.
- ❖ Transcripts that document transfer credits as a “Transfer” or “T” grade will **not** be accepted. Applicants must provide transcripts from the transferring college with a passing grade of a “C” or better.
- ❖ Changes have been made to the NFPA Fire Fighter I and NFPA Fire Fighter II task books in regards to the completing job performances requirements (JPRs). Previously, JPRs were to be completed three times and the Requisite Knowledge and Requisite Skills each one time. With the adoption of the newest standard the Requisite Knowledge must be completed only one time and the Requisite Skills must be completed three times, without a performance requirement for the specific JPRs.
- ❖ Recognizing the need to prevent line-of-duty deaths and injuries DPSST and the NFPA Fire Fighter Task Force recommends that applicants participate in the "The Courage to Stay Safe - So Everyone Goes Home®" program prior to applying for certification. This program provides free training, resources and the implementation that includes the 16 Firefighter Life Safety Initiatives listed on the following page.

16 Firefighter Life Safety Initiatives

1. *Define and advocate the need for a cultural change within the fire service relating to safety; incorporating leadership, management, supervision, accountability and personal responsibility.*
2. *Enhance the personal and organizational accountability for health and safety throughout the fire service.*
3. *Focus greater attention on the integration of risk management with incident management at all levels, including strategic, tactical, and planning responsibilities.*
4. *All firefighters must be empowered to stop unsafe practices.*
5. *Develop and implement national standards for training, qualifications, and certification (including regular recertification) that are equally applicable to all firefighters based on the duties they are expected to perform.*
6. *Develop and implement national medical and physical fitness standards that are equally applicable to all firefighters, based on the duties they are expected to perform.*
7. *Create a national research agenda and data collection system that relates to the initiatives.*
8. *Utilize available technology wherever it can produce higher levels of health and safety.*
9. *Thoroughly investigate all firefighter fatalities, injuries, and near misses.*
10. *Grant programs should support the implementation of safe practices and/or mandate safe practices as an eligibility requirement.*
11. *National standards for emergency response policies and procedures should be developed and championed.*
12. *National protocols for response to violent incidents should be developed and championed.*
13. *Firefighters and their families must have access to counseling and psychological support.*
14. *Public education must receive more resources and be championed as a critical fire and life safety program.*
15. *Advocacy must be strengthened for the enforcement of codes and the installation of home fire sprinklers.*
16. *Safety must be a primary consideration in the design of apparatus and equipment.*

For more information about the Everyone Goes Home program visit their website:

<http://www.everyonegoeshome.com/>

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NFPA Fire Fighter I Requirements

5.1 General. For qualification at Level I, the fire fighter candidate shall meet the general knowledge requirements in 5.1.1; the general skill requirements in 5.1.2; the JPRs defined in Sections 5.2 through 5.5 of this standard; and the requirements defined in Chapter 5, Core Competencies for Operations Level Responders, and Section 6.6, Mission-Specific Competencies: Product Control, of NFPA 472, Standard for Competence of Responders to Hazardous Materials/Weapons of Mass Destruction Incidents.

5.2 Fire Department Communications. This duty shall involve initiating responses, receiving telephone calls, and using fire department communications equipment to correctly relay verbal or written information, according to the JPRs in 5.2.1 through 5.2.4.

5.3 Fireground Operations. This duty shall involve performing activities necessary to ensure life safety, fire control, and property conservation, according to the JPRs in 5.3.1 through 5.3.19.

5.4 Rescue Operations. This duty shall involve no requirements for Fire Fighter I.

5.5 Preparedness and Maintenance. This duty shall involve performing activities that reduce the loss of life and property due to fire through response readiness, according to the JPRs in 5.5.1 and 5.5.2.

NFPA Fire Fighter I Course Requirement Options:

- DPSST approved “NFPA Fire Fighter I” courses (See Appendix A) or;
- DPSST approved college courses that meets the standard for NFPA 1001 Fire Fighter I or;
- Equivalent Course

NFPA 472 Course Requirement Options to apply for NFPA Fire Fighter I:

Applicant must complete Core Competencies for Operations Level Responders, and Section 6.6, Mission-Specific Competencies: Product Control, of NFPA 472, Standard for Competence of Responders to Hazardous Materials/Weapons of Mass Destruction Incidents.

- DPSST approved “NFPA Operations Level Responder” course (See Appendix A) or;
- DPSST approved college courses that meets the standard for NFPA 472 Operations Level Responder or;
- Completion certification from nationally recognized curriculum that meets the standard for NFPA 472 Operations Level Responder or;
- Equivalent Course

Additional information is continued on the next page.

NOTE: In order to receive a DPSST certification for NFPA Operations Level Responder the applicant must complete the Operations Level Responder Evaluation Task Sheets and apply for certification using the “NFPA 472 Responders to Hazardous Materials/ Weapons of Mass Destruction” application for certification.

Additional Requirement to obtain certification:

- Applicant must have current CPR Card and First Aid Card.
- Applicant must complete the NFPA Fire Fighter I Task Book or a Task Performance Evaluation.
- Applicant must possess 6-months of experience prior to applying for certification as determined by the AHJ.

NFPA Fire Fighter II Requirements

6.1 General. For qualification at Level II, the Fire Fighter I shall meet the general knowledge requirements in 6.1.1, the general skill requirements in 6.1.2, the JPRs defined in Sections 6.2 through 6.5 of this standard, and the requirements defined in Chapter 5.

6.2 Fire Department Communications. This duty shall involve performing activities related to initiating and reporting responses, according to the JPRs in 6.2.1 and 6.2.2.

6.3 Fireground Operations. This duty shall involve performing activities necessary to ensure life safety, fire control, and property conservation, according to the JPRs in 6.3.1 through 6.3.4.

6.4 Rescue Operations. This duty shall involve performing activities related to accessing and disentangling victims from motor vehicle accidents and helping special rescue teams, according to the JPRs in 6.4.1 and 6.4.2.

6.5 Fire and Life Safety Initiatives, Preparedness, and Maintenance. This duty shall involve performing activities related to reducing the loss of life and property due to fire through hazard identification, inspection, and response readiness, according to the JPRs in 6.5.1 through 6.5.5.

Course Requirements Options:

- DPSST approved “NFPA Fire Fighter II” courses (See Appendix B) or;
- DPSST approved college courses that meets the standard for NFPA 1001 Fire Fighter II or;
- Equivalent Course

Additional Requirement to obtain certification:

- Applicant must be certified as NFPA 1001 Fire Fighter I.
- Applicant must complete the NFPA Fire Fighter II Task Book or a Task Performance Evaluation.
- Applicant must possess one-year of experience prior to applying for certification as determined by the AHJ.

*The following appendixes demonstrate how currently approved
DPSST courses align with the application for certification.*

Appendix A

NFPA FIRE FIGHTER I	DPSST Approved Course Number and Title
General	
Core Competencies for Operations Level Responders, and Section 6.6, Mission-Specific Competencies: Product Control, of NFPA 472, Standard for Competence of Responders to Hazardous Materials/Weapons of Mass Destruction Incidents	11F106 – NFPA Operations Level Responder
Fire Department Orientation	11F017 - Orientation
Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)	11F021 - Protective Clothing (PPE)
Fire Department Communications	11F037 - Fire Department Communication
Fireground Operations	
Safety	11F018 - Safety
Fire Behavior	11F019 - Fire Behavior
Building Construction	11F020 - Building Construction
Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA)	11F022 - Self Contained Breathing Apparatus
Portable Extinguishers	11F023 - Portable Extinguishers
Ropes & Knots	11F024 - Ropes and Knots
Search & Rescue	11F025 - Building Search & Victim Removal
Forcible Entry Tools	11F026 - Forcible Entry Tools
Forcible Entry Construction (Structure)	11F027 - Forcible Entry Construction
Ladders	11F028 - Ground Ladders
Ventilation	11F029 - Ventilation
Water Supply	11F030 - Water Supplies
Hoses (Coupling, Loading & Rolling)	11F031 - Coupling, Loading & Rolling
Hoses (Laying, Carrying & Advancing)	11F032 - Laying, Carrying & Advancing
Fire Streams	11F033 - Water Fire Streams
Fire Control	11F034 - Classes A, C, D, Vehicle & WFC
Sprinklers	11F035 - Sprinkler System Fundamental
Salvage & Overhaul	11F036 - Salvage, Overhaul & Protection
Rescue Operations	N/A
Preparedness and Maintenance	Complete per AHJ (No class required)

Appendix B

NFPA FIRE FIGHTER II	DPSST Approved Course Number and Title
General	
Implementing IMS	11F039 - Implementing IMS
Fire Department Communications	11F049 - Fire Department Communications
Fireground Operations	
Construction Materials & Building Collapse	11F040 - Construction Materials & BC
Hydrant Flow & Operability	11F043 - Hydrant Flow & Operability
Hose Tools & Appliances	11F044 - Hose Tools & Appliances
Ignitable Liquid & Flammable Gas Control	11F045 - Ignitable Liquids & FGFC
Foam Fire Streams	11F046 - Foam Fire Streams
Fire Cause & Origin	11F048 - Fire Cause & Origin
Rescue Operations	
Rescue & Extrication Tools	11F041 - Rescue & Extrication Tools
Vehicle Extrication & Special Rescue	11F042 - Vehicle Extrication & Spec. Rescue
Fire and Life Safety Initiatives, Preparedness and Maintenance	
Fire Detection, Alarm & Suppression Systems	11F047 - Fire Detection, Alarm & Suppression Systems
Pre-Incident Survey	11F050 - Pre-Incident Survey
Fire Prevention/Public Education	11F051 - Fire Prevention & Public Ed