State of Oregon Department of Public Safety Standards and Training

NFPA Fire Officer IV Task Book

Task Book Assigned To:	
Name	DPSST Fire Service #
Agency Name	Date Initiated
Signature of Agency Head or Training Officer	Date Completed

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Task Book Qualification Record Books (Task Books) have been developed for various certification levels within the Oregon Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST) system. Each Task Book lists the job performance requirements (JPRs) for the specific certification level in a format that allows a candidate to be trained and evaluated during one (1) session. Successful performance of all tasks, as observed and recorded by a qualified and approved evaluator may result in the candidate's eligibility for DPSST certification.

Before a job performance evaluation can be evaluated, all requisite knowledge and skills must be satisfied. In addition, all relative Task Book evaluations must be checked off by a qualified evaluator. When all prescribed requirements have been met, an application for certification may be forwarded to DPSST. All certificates are mailed to the Training Officer at his/her Fire Service Agency.

TASK BOOK SPECIFICATIONS:

To successfully complete a task book, only an evaluator certified as an NFPA Fire Officer at the candidate's specific level or higher may sign off on the JPR's. 'Requisite Knowledge' sections may be completed during class and signed by the instructor. 'Requisite Skills' sections must be conducted and signed at the candidate's fire agency.

NFPA TASK BOOK INFORMATION:

The JPRs covered in this Task Book meet or exceed all NFPA published standards for this certification level at the time of this publication. Mention of NFPA and its standards do not, and are not intended as adoption of—or reference to—NFPA standards. For more information on the complete job performance requirements and data, see the individual DPSST Task Book for that certification level.

HOW TO EVALUATE PERFORMANCE:

Each JPR has one corresponding box to the right in which to confirm a candidate's success. The evaluator shall indicate successful passing by the candidate of each JPR by initialing and dating (see example).

*A vertical line () to the left of the document indicates a change from the previous standard.

EXAMPLE:

4.2.1 Assign tasks or responsibilities to unit members, given an assignment at an emergency incident, so that the instructions are complete, clear, and concise; safety considerations are addressed; and the desired outcomes are conveyed.



NFPA Fire Officer IV Evaluator Signature Page

This signature page is a tool for your agency to document completed tasks; completion of the entire Task Book is still required (if not utilizing Task Performance Evaluations). The signature page and documentation should be kept on file at your agency. Please **do not** submit the Task Book or signature page to Department of Public Safety Standards and Training.

Initials	DPSST Fire #	NFPA Fire Officer Certification Level	Printed Name	Signature

TASK BOOK QUALIFICATION RECORD

FOR THE CERTIFICATION LEVEL OF

NFPA Fire Officer IV

Prior to becoming certified in this position, the sample candidate must successfully complete the following Job Performance Requirements (JPR). The evaluator shall initial and date the appropriate box to indicate successful completion. For each JPR there are requisite knowledge and skill requirements. The evaluator must initial and date in the box provided to indicate the meeting of those requirements before the firefighter may proceed.

7.1 * General. For qualification at Fire Officer Level IV, the Fire Officer III shall meet the job performance requirements defined in Sections 7.2 through 7.7 of this standard.

7.2 Human Resource Management. This duty involves administrating job performance requirements and evaluating and improving the department, according to the following job performance requirements.

7.2.1 Appraise the department's human resource demographics, given appropriate community demographic data, so that the recruitment, selection, and placement of human resources is effective and consistent with law and current best practices.

(A) **Requisite Knowledge.** Policies and procedures; local, state/provincial, and federal regulations; community demographics; community issues; and formal and informal community leaders.

(**B**) **Requisite Skills.** The ability to communicate, to relate interpersonally, to delegate authority, to analyze issues, and to solve problems.

7.2.2 Initiate the development of a program, given current member/management relations, so that a positive and participative member/management program exists.

(A) **Requisite Knowledge.** Policies and procedures, contractual agreements, and local, state/provincial, and federal regulations.

(B) Requisite Skills. The ability to communicate, to negotiate, to analyze current status of member relations, to relate interpersonally, to analyze the current member/management relations, and to conduct program implementation.













7.2.3 Evaluate the organization's education and in-service training program, given a summary of the job requirements for all positions within the department, so that all members can achieve and maintain required proficiencies.

(A) **Requisite Knowledge.** Training resources, community needs, internal and external customers, policies and procedures, contractual agreements, and local, state/provincial, and federal regulations.

(B) Requisite Skills. The ability to communicate and to analyze and organize data and resources.

7.2.4 Appraise the member-assistance program, given data, so that the program, when used, produces stated program outcomes.

(A) **Requisite Knowledge.** Policies and procedures; available assistance programs; contractual agreements; and local, state/provincial, and federal regulations.

(B) Requisite Skills. The ability to communicate, to relate interpersonally to members, and to analyze needs and results.

7.2.5 Evaluate an incentive program, given data, so that a determination is made regarding achievement of the desired results, and modify as necessary.

(A) **Requisite Knowledge.** Policies and procedures; available incentive programs; contractual agreements; and local, state/provincial, and federal regulations.

(B) Requisite Skills. The ability to communicate, to relate interpersonally, and to analyze programs.

7.3 Community and Government Relations. This duty involves projecting a positive image of the fire department to the community, according to the following job performance requirements.

7.3.1 Attend, participate in, and assume a leadership role in community functions, given community needs, so that the image of the organization is enhanced.

(A) **Requisite Knowledge.** Community demographics and socioeconomics, community and civic issues, effective customer service methods, and formal and informal community leaders.

















(B) Requisite Skills. Familiarity with public relations and the ability to communicate.

7.3.2 Develop and administer a media relations program, given AHJ policies and procedures, so that the dissemination of information is accurate and accessible.

(A) **Requisite Knowledge.** AHJ policies and procedures for information dissemination; applicable laws, rules, and regulations governing information release; fundamentals of media relations; and social media platforms.

(**B**) **Requisite Skills.** The techniques of public relations and the ability to communicate, and crisis management.

7.4 Administration. This duty involves long-range planning and fiscal projections, according to the following job performance requirements.

7.4.1 Develop a comprehensive long-range plan, given community requirements, current department status, and resources, so that the projected needs of the community are met.

(A) **Requisite Knowledge**. Policies and procedures, physical and geographic characteristics, demographics, community plan, staffing requirements, response time benchmarks, contractual agreements, and local, state/provincial, and federal regulations.

(B) Requisite Skills. The ability to communicate orally and in writing, make pubic presentations, interpret fiscal analysis, comply with public policy processes, forecast resources, and analyze current department status requirements.

7.4.2 Evaluate and forecast training requirements, facilities, and buildings' needs, given data that reflect community needs and resources, so that departmental training goals are met.

(A) **Requisite Knowledge.** Policies and procedures; physical and geographic characteristics; building and fire codes; departmental plan; staffing requirements; training standards; needs assessment; contractual agreements; and local, state/provincial, and federal regulations.

(B) Requisite Skills. The ability to communicate, make public presentations, interpret fiscal analysis, forecast needs, and analyze data.



















7.4.3 Complete a written, comprehensive, all-hazard risk and value analysis of the community, given the appropriate features of the service area of the organization, so that an accurate evaluation is made for service delivery decision making.

(A) **Requisite Knowledge.** Risk, hazard, and value analysis methods and process, as well as community development features, community demographics, and assessed valuation of properties in the community.

(B) Requisite Skills. The ability to conduct a needs assessment plan, to effectively communicate in writing, and to problem solve.

7.4.4 Develop a plan for a capital improvement project or program, given an unmet need in the community, so that there is adequate information to educate citizens about the needs of the department.

(A) **Requisite Knowledge.** Strategic planning, capital improvement planning and budgeting, and facility planning.

(B) Requisite Skills. The ability to conduct a needs assessment plan, to effectively communicate in writing, and to problem solve.

7.4.5 Develop a succession plan, given department resources, policies, and procedures, so that the future needs of the department are met.

(A) **Requisite Knowledge.** Strategic planning, member demographics, recruitment, and retention.

(**B**) **Requisite Skills.** The ability to forecast budgets, to conduct a personnel needs assessment, to effectively communicate, and to solve problems.

7.5 Inspection and Investigation.

7.5.1 Definition of Duty. No additional job performance requirements at this level.

7.6 Emergency Services Delivery. This duty involves developing plans for major disasters, according to the following job performance requirements.













7.6.1 Develop a comprehensive disaster plan that integrates other agencies' resources, given risk, vulnerability, and capability data, so that the organization can mitigate the impact to the community.

(A) **Requisite Knowledge.** Major incident policies and procedures, physical and geographic characteristics, demographics, target hazards, incident management systems, communications systems, intelligence data, contractual and mutual-aid agreements, and local, state/provincial, and federal regulations and resources.

(**B**) **Requisite Skills.** The ability to analyze data, to communicate, to develop a disaster plan, and to coordinate interagency activity.

7.6.2 Develop a comprehensive plan, given data (including agency data), so that the agency operates at a hostile event, integrates with other agencies' actions, and provides for the safety and protection of members.

(A) **Requisite Knowledge.** Major incident plans; policies and procedures; physical and geographic characteristics; demographics; incident management systems; communications systems; contractual and mutual-aid agreements; local, state/provincial, and federal regulations and resources; and NFPA 3000.

(B) Requisite Skills. The ability to communicate and to organize a plan; familiarity with interagency planning and coordination.

7.7 Health and Safety. This duty involves administering a comprehensive risk management program, according to the following job performance requirements.

7.7.1 Maintain, develop, and provide leadership for a risk management program, given specific data, so that injuries and property damage incidents are reduced.

(A) **Requisite Knowledge.** Risk management concepts; occupational requirements; occupational hazards analysis; and disability procedures, regulations, and laws.

(**B**) **Requisite Skills.** The ability to communicate, to analyze data, and to use evaluative methods.

















