

CHAPTER 18C
STANDARDS FOR FIRE SERVICE TRAINING
AND CERTIFICATION

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SUBCHAPTER 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

5:18C-1.1 Title; division into subchapters

(a) The rules contained in this chapter shall be known as "Standards for Fire Service Training and Certification" and are referred to herein as the Standards.

(b) The Standards are divided into five parts:

1. Subchapter 1 is entitled "General Provisions" and may be cited throughout the Standards as N.J.A.C. 5:18C-1, and when referred to in subchapter 1 of this chapter, may be referred to as this subchapter.

2. Subchapter 2 is entitled "Educational Programs and Facilities" and may be cited throughout the Standards as N.J.A.C. 5:18C-2, and when referred to in subchapter 2 of this chapter, may be referred to as this subchapter.

3. Subchapter 3 is reserved.

4. Subchapter 4 is entitled "Firefighter I" and may be cited throughout the Standards as N.J.A.C. 5:18C-4, and when referred to in subchapter 4 of this chapter, may be referred to as this subchapter.

5. Subchapter 5 is entitled "Instructor" and may be cited throughout the Standards as N.J.A.C. 5:18C-5, and when referred to in subchapter 5 of this chapter, may be referred to as this subchapter.

5:18C-1.2 Authority

These Standards are promulgated by the Commissioner of Community Affairs pursuant to the authority of the Uniform Fire Safety Act (P.L. 1983, c.383, N.J.S.A. 52:27D-192 et seq., specifically 52:27D-198 and 52:27D-219) and of the act which establishes a Division of Fire Safety in the Department of Community Affairs (P.L. 1983, c.382, amended by P.L. 1993, c.218; N.J.S.A. 52:27D-25a et seq., specifically 52:27D-25d).

Administrative change.
See: 27 N.J.R. 2886(b).

5:18C-1.3 Intent and purpose

(a) It is the intent of the Standards to control all matters relating to qualifications for, and the training and certifica-

tion of all members of the fire service, including firefighters and officers engaged in, or to be engaged in, fire suppression activities, and all fire service instructors.

1. For purposes of this chapter, "fire service" shall not include wildland and forestland firefighters in the State forest fire service.

(b) The Uniform Fire Safety Act and related legislation, specifically N.J.S.A. 52:27D-25a et seq., have been adopted to ensure public safety and welfare. In order for fire suppression activities to be conducted adequately and effectively, members of the fire service will need to have sufficient knowledge and competence. This can best be achieved through the creation of an education and training program and the development of certification requirements.

1. It is the purpose of this chapter to establish standards and procedures for the certification of persons involved in fire suppression activities including but not limited to firefighter recruits, firefighters, fire officers, and fire service instructors.

(c) Unless otherwise specifically provided, all references to article or section numbers or to provisions not specifically identified by number, shall be construed to refer to such article, section or provision of this chapter.

Amended by R.1997 d.286, effective July 21, 1997.

See: 29 N.J.R. 722(a), 29 N.J.R. 3243(a).

Added (a)1.

5:18C-1.4 Definitions

The following terms shall have the meanings indicated except where the context clearly requires otherwise:

"Acquired building" means any structure acquired by the eligible organization from a property owner for the purpose of conducting live fire training exercises.

"Commissioner" means the Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs or his or her delegate.

"Department" means the Department of Community Affairs.

"Division" means the Division of Fire Safety of the Department of Community Affairs.

"Eligible organization" means a fire department or district, or a combination of fire departments or districts, an institution of higher learning, the New Jersey State Fire College or a recognized governmental entity which has been approved by the Division to offer courses or modules which meet the requirements of this chapter.

"Evolution" means a set of prescribed actions that result in an effective fireground activity.

"Fire service" means the State, a county or municipal agency or fire district utilizing volunteer, career or part-paid firefighters for rescue, fire suppression and related activities.

"Fire service instructor" means a career or volunteer or part-paid firefighter who has been certified by the division to deliver firefighter training after completing a prescribed curriculum. For purposes of this chapter, "fire service instructor" shall not include instructors of wildland and forestland firefighters in the State forest fire service.

"Fire service training organization" means any State, county or municipal agency or other entity, either public or private, which trains firefighters.

"Live fire" means any open flame or device that can propagate fire to a building or other combustible materials.

"Live fire training" means training that involves any open flame or device that can propagate fire.

"Non-permanent fire service training facility" means any building, or group of buildings, or areas, or mock-ups not specifically designed for firefighter training evolutions and not utilized as a fire training facility on a regular or continual basis including, but not limited to, acquired buildings and motor vehicles.

"Permanent fire service training facility" means any building or group of buildings, or areas, or mock-ups specifically designed for firefighter training evolutions and utilized as a fire training facility on a regular or continual basis.

"Shall" indicates a mandatory requirement.

"Should" indicates a recommendation or that which is advised but not required.

Amended by R.1993 d.628, effective December 6, 1993.

See: 25 N.J.R. 4363(a), 25 N.J.R. 5466(a).

Amended by R.1997 d.286, effective July 21, 1997.

See: 29 N.J.R. 722(a), 29 N.J.R. 3243(a).

Added "Acquired building", "Eligible organization", "Evolution", "Fire service", "Fire service instructor", "Fire service training organization", "Live fire", "Live fire training", "Non-permanent fire service training facility", and "Permanent fire service training facility"; and deleted "Commission" and "Council".

5:18C-1.5 Office established; hearings

(a) There is hereby established in the Division of Fire Safety an Office of Training and Certification. The office shall consist of such employees of the Department of Community Affairs as may be required for the efficient implementation of this chapter.

(b) The Office shall have the following responsibilities in addition to all others provided in this chapter:

1. To issue such certifications as may be called for herein when warranted and to affix the seal of the Commissioner thereon;

2. To keep accurate records of all applications for a certification and any official action thereon and to make such records available for inspection by the public at all reasonable times; and

3. To suspend or revoke a certification provided for herein upon the establishment of good cause.

(c) Any person aggrieved by any notice, action, ruling or order of the Commissioner, with respect to this chapter, shall have a right to a hearing before the Office of Administrative Law, in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, N.J.S.A. 52:14B-1 et seq., and the Uniform Administrative Procedure Rules, N.J.A.C. 1:1. The final decision in any such case shall be issued by the Commissioner.

1. The aggrieved person must request a hearing. The request must be made within 15 days after receipt of the action or ruling being contested. The request shall be made to the Hearing Coordinator, Department of Community Affairs, CN 802, Trenton, NJ 08625. The request for hearing shall raise all issues that will be set forth at the hearing.

Amended by R.1993 d.628, effective December 6, 1993.
See: 25 N.J.R. 4363(a), 25 N.J.R. 5466(a).

5:18C-1.6 Certifications required

No person shall serve as a fire service instructor for any module if such person does not have at least the level of instructor certification and/or special instructor certificate required pursuant to this chapter for the teaching of such

module. Except as may otherwise be expressly provided in this chapter, no course taught by any person not so certified shall serve as a basis for credit towards certification as a fire inspector or fire official.

5:18C-1.7 Requirements for certification

(a) Any candidate for certification in any of the fire service areas pursuant to the chapter shall submit an application to the Office of Training and Certification in the Division of Fire Safety, accompanied by the required fee established at N.J.A.C. 5:18C-1.10. The application shall include such information and documentation as the Office may require.

(b) The Office shall determine by examination of the application and review of any supporting documents, including any evidence of experience, training and/or education submitted whether an applicant is qualified for certification for which the application has been made. If the application is satisfactory, the Office shall issue a certification to the applicant upon payment of the required fee. This certification will show that the person has met the established requirements and is entitled to be employed in the state in accordance with the provisions of these regulations. The Office may deny or refuse to issue a certification to an applicant upon proof that there has been any act or omission which would constitute grounds for revocation under this chapter.

Amended by R.1993 d.628, effective December 6, 1993.
See: 25 N.J.R. 4363(a), 25 N.J.R. 5466(a).



5:18C-1.8 Replacement of certificate; reinstatement

(a) The Division shall issue, upon application, a duplicate certificate of any type and specialty upon a finding that the certification has been issued and the applicant is entitled to such certification to replace the one which has been lost, destroyed, or mutilated. Payment of a fee as may be established by the Commissioner shall be required.

(b) After revocation of a certification upon any of the grounds set forth in this chapter, the Division may not renew or reinstate such certification; however, a person may file a new application for a certification with the Division. When it can be shown that all loss caused by the act or omission for which the certification was revoked has been fully satisfied, that the applicant has been legally rehabilitated and that all conditions imposed by the decision of revocation have been complied with, the Division may issue a new certification.

(c) Fire Service Instructor (Reserved).

5:18C-1.9 Revocation of certifications and alternative sanctions

(a) The Division may suspend and/or revoke a certification of a firefighter if the Department has determined that the holder:

1. Has obtained a certification by fraud or misrepresentation, or the person named in the certificate has obtained it by fraud or misrepresentation;
2. Has fraudulently or deceitfully practiced as a certified firefighter;
3. Has been grossly negligent or has engaged in misconduct in the performance of any of his or her duties;
4. Has failed, over a period of time, to maintain a minimally acceptable level of competence;
5. Has failed to comply with any order issued by the Department;
6. Has made a false or misleading written statement, or has made a material omission in any submission to the Department; or
7. Has violated any provision of this chapter.

(b) The Division may suspend or revoke a certification of an Instructor Level 1, Instructor Level 2 or any special Instructor Certificate if the Department has determined that the holder:

1. Has obtained a certification by fraud or misrepresentation, or the person named in the certificate has obtained it by fraud or misrepresentation;
2. Has fraudulently or deceitfully practiced as a certified Instructor Level 1 or Instructor Level 2 or a holder of any special Instructor Certificate;

3. Has been grossly negligent or has engaged in misconduct in the performance of any of his or her duties;
4. Has failed, over a period of time, to maintain a minimally acceptable level of competence;
5. Has failed to comply with any order issued by the Department;
6. Has made a false or misleading written statement, or has made a material omission in any submission to the Department; or
7. Has violated any provision of this chapter.

(c) The Division, in addition or as an alternative, as the case may be, to revoking or suspending a certification, or assessing a penalty, may issue a letter of warning, reprimand, or censure with regard to any conduct that, in the judgment of the Department, warrants a letter of warning, reprimand, or censure. Such letter, in addition to any other filing requirements, shall be made a part of the certification file of the individual.

(d) Conviction of a crime, or an offense in connection with the practice as a certified firefighter, fire officer or fire service instructor shall result in revocation of a certification.

(e) Any person aggrieved by any action of the bureau pursuant to this chapter shall be entitled to a hearing before the Office of Administrative Law in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, N.J.S.A. 52:14B-1 et seq., and the Uniform Administrative Procedure Rules, N.J.A.C. 1:1, as provided in N.J.A.C. 5:18A-4.2.

Amended by R.1993 d.628, effective December 6, 1993.
See: 25 N.J.R. 4363(a), 25 N.J.R. 5466(a).

5:18C-1.10 Fees

No application for certification shall be acted upon unless the application is accompanied by the appropriate fee. The fee for any certification issued pursuant to this chapter shall be \$5.00.

Amended by R.1997 d.123, effective March 17, 1997.
See: 28 N.J.R. 5124(a), 29 N.J.R. 869(a).

Substituted single fee for existing fee schedule.

SUBCHAPTER 2. EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND FACILITIES**5:18C-2.1 Standards for educational programs**

(a) To carry out their responsibilities, fire service personnel must be fully knowledgeable and adequately prepared. This subchapter adopts standards for fire service training and education programs.

1. Programs for firefighters must meet certain standards to ensure firefighters have the necessary skills and

knowledge which the specialized and hazardous nature of fire fighting requires.

2. Programs for fire service instructors must meet certain standards to ensure they have the knowledge and skills necessary to provide instruction for fire service members.

5:18C-2.2 Eligible organizations

(a) A fire department or district, a combination of fire departments or districts, an institution of higher learning, the New Jersey State Fire College or a recognized governmental entity is eligible to submit an application to offer courses or modules which meet the requirements of this chapter.

1. To ensure accountability, any module or course for a firefighter 1 certification may only be offered by a fire department or district, a combination of fire departments or districts or a recognized governmental entity.

(b) An applicant for module or course approval shall have satisfied the following requirements:

1. All courses or modules offered shall meet the knowledge and skill content, hours of instruction and facility and equipment criteria set forth in this chapter;

2. Concerning instructors of courses for fire service personnel certification, all courses shall be taught by the level of instructor required by this chapter who have satisfied the requirements for certification set forth in N.J.A.C. 5:18C-5.

3. A recordkeeping system required by the Office of Training and Certification including, but not limited to, attendance, course schedules and examination scores shall be maintained.

4. Course schedules shall be provided to the Office of Training and Certification indicating the course or modules being taught or proposed to be taught and the dates and times for the course or module offering.

5:18C-2.3 Procedure for approving educational programs

(a) Any eligible institution or organization may submit to the Office of Training and Certification any course or module required by this chapter for approval. The application shall be submitted on a form prescribed by the Division at least 60 days prior to the first class session of the course and shall contain all the information specified in this section.

(b) Each application shall be submitted in the name of the institution or organization by a person authorized to do so. It shall contain the following minimum information:

1. The name of the course, program, or module;

2. A description of the length of each session, the frequency of the sessions and the total number of sessions;

3. An outline showing the course or program content by session;

4. A description of any texts or materials to be used. The description shall identify whether the text or materials will be mandatory or suggested.

5. The list of certified instructors who will teach each module or course for fire service courses;

6. An estimate of the number of times the course will be offered;

7. A statement that the institution or organization will notify the Office of Training and Certification if the program is withdrawn or changed at any time;

8. A statement that the institution or organization will conduct the course or program in accordance with this standard and will maintain such records as are herein required;

9. A statement of the charges the institution has established for the course program; and

10. The facilities where instruction will take place. The description shall identify any specialized structures which may be used for teaching the course.

(c) The Department shall have the right to undertake such reviews as may be necessary to verify the accuracy of an application, or conformity with this standard. The institution, by submitting an application, expressly agrees to cooperate in such reviews.

(d) Upon verification that the program or course will satisfy the educational program requirements, the Office of Training and Certification shall:

1. Issue a letter of approval to the institution or organization which letter shall contain any terms or conditions of such approval;

- iii. Examination: No examination required—current first aid card must be submitted;
- iv. Hours required: eight;
- v. Subject areas:
 - (1) Recognize and understand treatment of fractures and splinting;
 - (2) Recognize and understand treatment of burns;
 - (3) Understand types of external and internal bleeding and its control;
 - (4) Understand the symptoms and treatment for various poisons;
 - (5) Recognize symptoms of shock and understand treatment;
 - (6) Understand primary and secondary survey; and
 - (7) Understand priority injuries.
- 2. Module 17B: Emergency Medical Care—CPR (Reserved)
- 3. Module 18: Hazardous Materials—Awareness (Reserved)
- 4. Module 19: Fire Pumps—(Reserved)
- 5. Module 20: Hazardous Materials—(Reserved)
- 6. Module 21: Fire Prevention—(Reserved)
- 7. Module 22: Arson Awareness—(Reserved)
- 8. Module 23: Ground Cover Fires—(Reserved)
- 9. Module 24: Vehicle Fires—(Reserved)
- 10. Module 25: Foam—(Reserved)
- 11. Module 26: Electric—(Reserved)
- 12. Module 27: Fire Service Law—(Reserved)
- 13. Module 28: Natural/LPG Gas—(Reserved)
- 14. Module 29: Marine Firefighting—(Reserved)
- 15. Module 30: Vehicle Extrication—(Reserved)
- 16. Module 31: High Hazard Buildings—(Reserved)
- 17. Module 32: High Rise Fires—(Reserved)

- 18. Module 33: Building Construction—(Reserved)
- 19. Module 34: Truck Company Operations—(Reserved)
- 20. Module 35: Below Grade/Confined Space Rescue—(Reserved)

SUBCHAPTER 5. INSTRUCTORS

5:18C-5.1 General provisions

It is the object of this subchapter to establish criteria for certification of various levels of instructors of fire service courses.

5:18C-5.2 Instructor Level 1

(a) The Instructor Level 1 may provide training for those modules or courses in this chapter where Instructor Level 1 certification is required.

(b) To obtain a certification as an Instructor Level 1, an individual shall verify a minimum of two years experience as a certified Firefighter I and shall meet the following requirements:

- 1. Be at least 18 years of age;
- 2. Satisfactorily complete the 16 hour course "Instruction Techniques: Instructor Level 1" as specified in (c) below;
- 3. Satisfactorily complete the 16 hour Fire Service Instructor General Safety Course as specified in (d) below;
- 4. Satisfactorily pass the safety skills test specified in (e) below; and
- 5. Satisfactorily pass the written test specified in (f) below.

(c) The following standard applies to programs designed to satisfy the requirements for the course "Instruction Techniques: Instructor Level 1":

- 1. Hours required: 16;



2. Subject areas. The course must cover the following subject areas:

- i. Communication;
- ii. Concepts of learning/adult learning;
- iii. Human relations in the teaching-learning environment;
- iv. Methods of teaching;
- v. Organizing the learning environment;
- vi. Performance evaluation;
- vii. Records and reports;
- viii. Testing and evaluation;
- ix. The instructor's roles and responsibilities;
- x. The lesson plan;
- xi. The teaching technique; and
- xii. The use of instructional materials;

3. The following certificates, courses, or experience will be accepted as substitutes for the course "Instruction Techniques: Instructor Level 1" until July 1, 1996:

- i. A valid New Jersey Teacher's Certificate;
- ii. A valid Instructional Certificate with an endorsement for a teacher of skilled trades: fire science;
- iii. The course "Instructional Techniques for Company Officers" as developed by the National Fire Academy taken prior to the July 1, 1994;
- iv. Any other course taken prior to the effective date of this chapter can be submitted by the candidate to the Office of Training and Certification for an evaluation by the office as equivalent. The office will maintain a list of reviewed and approved substitute courses; or
- v. Two years of experience as a fire service instructor with at least 10 contact hours of instruction between February 5, 1988 and July 1, 1994 may be substituted for the "Instruction Techniques: Instructor Level 1" course.

(d) Applicants for an Instructor Level 1 certificate must complete the 16 hour safety course promulgated by the Office of Training and Certification. The approved course materials are incorporated by reference and are provided by the Office of Training and Certification, Division of Fire Safety, Department of Community Affairs, CN 809, Trenton, New Jersey 08625.

(e) Applicants for the Instructor Level 1 certification shall demonstrate competence by successful completion of the Instructor Level 1 Skills examination administered through the Office of Training and Certification.

(f) Applicants for the Instructor Level 1 certification shall demonstrate knowledge of the subject areas by successful completion of the Instructor Level 1 written examination administered through the Office of Training and Certification.

Amended by R.1993 d.440, effective September 7, 1993.

See: 25 N.J.R. 1846(a), 25 N.J.R. 4071(b).

Administrative change.

See: 27 N.J.R. 2886(b).

Amended by R.1997 d.123, effective March 17, 1997.

See: 28 N.J.R. 5124(a), 29 N.J.R. 869(a).

In (b), inserted two years experience verification requirement; in (b)3, substituted "Fire Service Instructor General Safety Course" for "course, 'Instructor I Level I Safety'" and deleted (f)1, providing that specified experience could substitute for the written exam.

5:18C-5.3 Instructor Level 2

(a) The Instructor Level 2 may provide training for those modules or courses in this chapter where Instructor Level 1 or 2 is required.

(b) To obtain a certification as Instructor Level 2, an individual must verify a minimum of two years experience as a certified Firefighter I and meet the following requirements:

1. Be at least 18 years of age;
2. Possess a certification as Instructor Level 1 for at least two years;
3. Satisfactorily complete the 45 hour course "Instruction Techniques: Instructor Level 2" as specified in (c) below;
4. Satisfactorily pass the skills test specified in (d) below; and
5. Satisfactorily pass the written test specified in (e) below.

(c) The following standard applies to programs designed to satisfy the requirements for the course "Instruction Techniques: Instructor Level 2."

1. Hours required: 45;
2. Subject areas: The course must cover the following subject areas:
 - i. Methods of instruction;
 - ii. Lesson development;
 - (1) Task analysis;
 - (2) Writing lesson objectives (behavioral or performance);
 - (3) Preparing basic projected visual aids:
 - (A) Overhead transparencies;
 - (4) Preparing non-projected visual aids:
 - (A) Charts and graphs;

(5) Preparing demonstration materials:

- (A) Models;
- (B) Mock-ups; and
- (C) Cutaways;

(6) Preparing printed materials:

- (A) Student handout materials;

iii. Testing and evaluation:

(1) Developing lesson examinations (written, oral and performance); and

(2) Evaluating examinations;

3. Presentations: Each student shall make the following presentations:

- i. A seven minute presentation;
- ii. A 15 minute presentation; and
- iii. A 30 minute presentation which is videotaped and reviewed with instructor;

4. Until July 1, 1996, the following certificates or courses can be substituted for the course "Instruction Techniques: Instructor Level 2."

- i. A valid New Jersey Teachers Certificate;
- ii. A valid Instructional Certificate with an endorsement for a teacher of skilled trades: fire science;
- iii. The course "Educational Methodology" as developed by the National Fire Academy taken prior to July 1, 1994.
- iv. Any other course taken prior to July 1, 1994 can be submitted by the candidate to the Office of Training and Certification for evaluation as an equivalent. The office will maintain a list of reviewed and approved substitute courses; or
- v. Two years of experience as a fire service instructor with 20 contact hours of instruction between February 5, 1988 and July 1, 1994.

(d) Applicants for the Instructor Level 2 certification shall demonstrate competence by successful completion of the Instructor Level 2 Skills examination administered through the Office of Training and Certification.

(e) Applicants for the Instructor Level 2 certification shall demonstrate knowledge of the subject areas by successful completion of the Instructor Level 2 written examination administered through the Office of Training and Certification.

Amended by R.1993 d.440, effective September 7, 1993.
See: 25 N.J.R. 1846(a), 25 N.J.R. 4071(b).
Amended by R.1997 d.123, effective March 17, 1997.
See: 28 N.J.R. 5124(a), 29 N.J.R. 869(a).

In (b), inserted two years experience verification requirement; and deleted (b)2i, (b)5i, and (e)1, providing that specified experience could substitute for the written exam.

5:18C-5.4 Special instructor certificates

(a) In addition to the Instructor Level 1 or Instructor Level 2 certifications, individuals shall possess special certificates as indicated in this chapter to teach specific modules.

(b) The following apply to the live burn instructor certificate:

1. A live burn certificate is required to teach specified modules for firefighter 1.

2. An individual seeking a live burn instructor certificate shall complete the following requirements:

i. Possess a certificate as Instructor Level 1 or Instructor Level 2; and

ii. Successfully complete the eight hour live burn course promulgated by the Office of Training and Certification, including instructor and student manuals, which is incorporated herein by reference. The course materials are provided by the Office of Training and Certification, Division of Fire Safety, CN 809, Trenton, N.J. 08625.

(c) The following apply to the SCBA/Smokehouse certificate:

1. An individual seeking a SCBA/Smokehouse certificate shall meet the following requirements:

i. Possess a certificate as an Instructor Level 1 or Instructor Level 2; and

ii. Successfully complete the eight hour SCBA/Smokehouse course promulgated by the Office of Training and Certification, including instructor and student manuals, which is incorporated herein by reference. The course materials are provided through the Office of Training and Certification, Division of Fire Safety, CN 809, Trenton, N.J. 08625.

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See: 27 N.J.R. 2886(b).
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See: 28 N.J.R. 5124(a), 29 N.J.R. 869(a).

In (b), substituted "following apply to" for "following relate to"; deleted (b)2iii, requiring completion of the live burn instructor written and skills examination; and deleted (c)1iii, requiring completion of SCBA/Smokehouse instructor written and skills examination.

SUBCHAPTER 6. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS/INCIDENT COMMANDER CERTIFICATIONS

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5:18C-6.1 Incident Commander (Reserved)**5:18C-6.2 Hazardous Materials—Awareness**

(a) To obtain a Hazardous Materials—Awareness certification, an individual must have previously received Firefighter I certification issued by the Division of Fire Safety and must satisfactorily complete either:

1. A course that meets the requirements for Hazardous Materials—Awareness certification set forth in 29 CFR 1910.120; or
2. A course of instruction for Firefighter I certification approved in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:18C-2.3(g).

5:18C-6.3 Hazardous Materials—Operational

(a) To obtain a Hazardous Materials—Operational certification, an individual must:

1. Have previously received Hazardous Materials—Awareness certification; and

2. Have satisfactorily completed a course that meets the requirements for Hazardous Materials—Operational certification set forth in 29 CFR 1910.120.

5:18C-6.4 Hazardous Materials—On-Scene Incident Commander

(a) To obtain a Hazardous Materials—On-Scene Incident Commander certification, an individual must:

1. Have previously received Hazardous Materials—Operational certification; and
2. Have satisfactorily met the training and demonstration of competency requirements for Hazardous Materials—On-Scene Incident Commander as set forth in 29 CFR 1910.120.

(b) It shall be the responsibility of the employer to maintain the necessary documentation as set forth in 29 CFR 1910.120.

5:18C-6.5 Continuing education

Continuing education requirements set forth in 29 CFR 1910.120 shall apply to all individuals holding Hazardous Materials—Awareness, Hazardous Materials—Operational and/or Hazardous Materials On-Scene Commander certification(s).