



# CERTIFICATION INSTRUCTIONS

## Fire Fighter 1 (2024)

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### Overview

The California Office of the State Fire Marshal (OSFM) Fire Fighter 1 (2024) Certification covers three NFPA professional qualification levels:

- NFPA 1010: Fire Fighter I
- NFPA 470: Hazardous Materials/WMD Awareness and Operations
- NFPA 1140: Wildland Fire Fighter I

### Certification Eligibility

The Fire Fighter 1 (2024) Certification is issued to individuals who complete the required academic training and pass both skills and written exams.

- **ARTP/ALA Candidates:** Those enrolled in an [Accredited Regional Training Program \(ARTP\)](#) or [Accredited Local Academy \(ALA\)](#) are automatically registered for the certification exam and issued certification upon passing.
- **Alternate Delivery Candidates:** Individuals trained outside an ARTP/ALA, trained before the exam requirement, under an older curriculum version, or prior ARTP/ALA academy must register with an [accredited testing site](#) and pass the exam to receive certification. Eligibility forms for alternate delivery candidates are listed in the Curriculum & Testing Delivery Information section of the Fire Fighter webpage.

### Certification Requirements

#### Prerequisites

- None

#### Education

- Fire Fighter 1A: Structure
  - FEMA independent study courses IS-100, IS-200, IS-700, and IS-800 (required co-requisites)
- Fire Fighter 1B: Hazardous Materials
- Fire Fighter 1C: Wildland
- Confined Space Rescue Awareness (SFT or IAFF)

#### Certification Exams

- NFPA 1010: Fire Fighter 1 cognitive and skill exam (SFT FF1A)
- NFPA 470: Awareness & Core Operations with Product Control and Personal Protective Equipment mission-specific competencies, cognitive and skill exam (SFT FF1B)
- NFPA 1140: Wildland Fire Fighter 1 cognitive and skill exam (SFT FF1C)

## Application Process

1. Once all certification exams have been completed, State Fire Training will automatically conduct an eligibility review while processing the certification exam results.
  - If the applicant meets the eligibility requirements, SFT issues the digital certification(s) through the applicant's SFT User Portal.

## Additional Options

### Upgrade Option

The Fire Fighter 1 Upgrade option is for those already certified by California OSFM who wish to earn additional certifications recognized by IFSAC and Pro Board. Once the requirements are fulfilled, SFT will issue a Fire Fighter 1, Wildland Fire Fighter 1, and Hazardous Material Awareness and Operations nationally recognized IFSAC/Pro Board certification. The Fire Fighter 1 Upgrade Application, located on the Fire Fighter webpage, outlines all requirements, instructions, and fees.

### Reciprocity Option

The Fire Fighter 1 Reciprocity option is for individuals certified in Fire Fighter 1 and Hazardous Materials Awareness and Operations by IFSAC and/or Pro Board who are seeking recognition in California. All three NFPA levels must be certified to qualify. Missing certifications will require additional training and testing. Additional details are provided in the Fire Fighter 1 Reciprocity Application located on the Fire Fighter webpage.