



# UPGRADE APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

## Fire Fighter 1 Certification

### Overview

The California Office of the State Fire Marshal (OSFM) Fire Fighter 1 Certification contains three professional qualification levels set by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA): NFPA 1010: Fire Fighter I, NFPA 470: Hazardous Materials/WMD Awareness and Operations, and NFPA 1140: Wildland Fire Fighter I.

The Fire Fighter 1 Upgrade Application is for applicants with a California OSFM Fire Fighter 1 Certification and seeking an IFSAC/Pro Board accredited Fire Fighter 1 Certification.

Upon approval of the Fire Fighter 1 Upgrade Application, SFT will issue an exam authorization. Candidates must take the exam authorization to an [accredited testing site](#) of their choice and register as an upgrade candidate.

After the applicant completes the certification exam, State Fire Training (SFT) will automatically issue the IFSAC and Pro Board accredited Fire Fighter 1, Hazardous Materials Awareness and Operations, and Wildland Fire Fighter 1 certifications.

### Upgrade Certification Requirements

#### Certification

- California OSFM Fire Fighter 1

#### Education

- Confined Space Rescue Awareness (SFT, IAFF or IFSAC/Pro Board) or Confined Space Rescue Technician (SFT)
- IS-100, IS-200, IS-700, and IS-800 (SFT, CAL FIRE, FEMA, NWCG)

#### Certification Exams

- Cognitive Exam Modules
  - Fire Fighter 1: Structure (SFT Fire Fighter 1A Exam)
  - HazMat Awareness & Core Operations level: with Product Control and Personal Protective Equipment mission-specific competencies (SFT Fire Fighter 1B Exam)
  - NFPA 1140: Wildland Fire Fighter 1 (SFT Fire Fighter 1C Exam)
- Skills Exam Modules
  - Fire Fighter 1: Structure (SFT Fire Fighter 1A Exam)
  - HazMat Awareness and Core Operations level: with Product Control and Personal Protective Equipment mission-specific competencies (SFT Fire Fighter 1B Exam)
  - Wildland Fire Fighter 1 (SFT Fire Fighter 1C Exam)

### Application Process

1. Applicant mails the Fire Fighter 1 Certification Upgrade Application, supporting documentation, and fee(s) to: State Fire Training, Fire Fighter 1 Upgrade, PO Box 944246, Sacramento, CA 94244-2460.

- Application must be submitted at least six weeks prior to the proposed exam date.
- 2. State Fire Training conducts an application review.
  - If the applicant does not meet the eligibility requirements, SFT issues a denial.
  - If the applicant meets the eligibility requirements, SFT issues an exam authorization form.
- 3. Applicant takes the exam authorization form to an [accredited testing site](#) (ARTP/ALA) to schedule and complete the SFT certification exam.
  - Contact the testing site of your choice to register with the site, not SFT, to participate in the exam process.
- 4. Once all certification exams have been completed, State Fire Training conducts an eligibility review.
  - If the applicant meets the eligibility requirements, SFT issues the digital certification(s) through the applicant's SFT User Portal.

### Personal Information Notice

Pursuant to the [Federal Privacy Act \(P.L. 93-579\)](#) and the Information [Practices Act of 1977 \(Civil Code Sections 1798, et seq.\)](#), notice is hereby given for the request of personal information by this form. The requested personal information is voluntary. The principal purpose of the voluntary information is to facilitate the processing of this form. The failure to provide all or part of the requested information may delay the processing of this form. No disclosure of personal information will be made unless permissible under [Article 6 of the Information Practice Act of 1977 \(Civil Code Section 1798.24\)](#). Each individual has the right, upon request and proper identification, to inspect all personal information in any record maintained on the individual by an identifying particular. Direct any inquiries to [calfire.cpo@fire.ca.gov](mailto:calfire.cpo@fire.ca.gov).



## Fire Fighter 1 Certification Upgrade Application

OSFM-SFT-1010-1U (REV. 05/25)

### Identification

Full Name:

SFT ID Number:

SSN (last 4 digits)

Birth Date:

Phone (Mobile):

Mailing Address:

City, State, Zip Code:

Email:

### Submission Requirements

This application is for applicants who have a California Fire Fighter 1 Certification and are seeking an IFSAC/Pro Board accredited Fire Fighter 1 Certification.

Submit documentation to verify completion of the following requirements. It is unnecessary to submit verification for anything issued by State Fire Training (SFT) already documented in your SFT User Portal.

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#### Fees

- \$125 Fire Fighter Upgrade review fee (non-refundable) - payable to: State Fire Training

### Authority

I, the undersigned, am the person applying for certification. I hereby certify, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, that all information contained in this application is true in every respect. I understand that misstatements, omissions of material facts, or falsification of information or documents may be cause for rejection. If SFT rejects my application due to falsification of information or documents, I understand that SFT will place a two-year restriction on my ability to reapply for certification.

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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