



Fire Inspector (2024) Implementation Plan

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OVERVIEW

This document is intended to provide information for all State Fire Training (SFT) stakeholders on the updated Fire Inspector (2024), formerly the Fire Inspector 2 (2014), curriculum requirements. Stakeholders are encouraged to study this information carefully and seek clarification from SFT if questions arise.

The Fire Inspector (2024) curriculum is presented as a Certification Fire Service Training and Education System (CFSTES) series. SFT updated the certification training standard (CTS) guide, course plans, and certification task book based on the current National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standards:

- NFPA 1030: Standard for Professional Qualifications for Fire Prevention Program Positions (2024)

IMPLEMENTATION

Candidates entering the SFT system should enroll in the 2024 Fire Inspector courses and comply with the most current Fire Inspector requirements.

New Curriculum	Hours
Fire Inspector 2A: Fire Prevention Administration (2024)	20 hours
Fire Inspector 2B: Fire and Life Safety Requirements (2024)	30 hours
Fire Inspector 2C: Inspecting New and Existing Fire and Life Safety Systems and Equipment (2024)	24 hours
Fire Inspector 2D: Hazardous Materials, Operations, and Processes (2024)	30 hours

Fire Inspector (2024) Curriculum March 1, 2026

Retirement of Fire Inspector 2 (2014) Curriculum December 31, 2026

Effective December 31, 2026, SFT will retire Fire Inspector 2 (2014). On January 1, 2027, SFT will remove the curriculum from the SFT course catalog, and it will no longer be available.

Candidates pursuing Fire Inspector 2 certification using the 2014 task book must complete and submit their Fire Inspector 2 Certification Task Book (2014) postmarked on or before December 31, 2026.

Candidates who do not meet this deadline will be required to meet the Fire Inspector (2024) certification requirements using the Fire Inspector (2024) Certification Task Book.

INSTRUCTOR REQUIREMENTS

Instructor Registration March 1, 2026

Instructors for the Fire Inspector (2024) curriculum must meet the SFT requirements for Registered Instructor. Instructors must have appropriate education and practical experience relating to the specific course content.

Existing Registered Instructors

SFT will authorize existing Fire Inspector 2 (2014) Registered Instructors to teach Fire Inspector (2024). SFT will update the SFT User Portal.

In Process Instructor Candidates

Candidates actively pursuing Fire Inspector 2 (2014) instructor registration must submit all documentation postmarked on or before December 31, 2026. Anyone who applies to teach Fire Inspector (2024) on or after January 1, 2027, will be required to meet the Fire Inspector (2024) requirements.

New Instructor Registration

New instructor candidates shall meet the following requirements:

Category	Requirement
Instructor Registration	Be an OSFM Registered Instructor
Certification	Fire Inspector 2 (2014) or Fire Inspector (2024)
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fire Inspector 2A: Fire Prevention Administration (2014 or 2024)• Fire Inspector 2B: Fire and Life Safety Requirements (2014 or 2024)• Fire Inspector 2C: Inspecting New and Existing Fire and Life Safety Systems and Equipment (2014 or 2024)• Fire Inspector 2D: Hazardous Materials, Operations, and Processes (2014 or 2024)• Statutes and Regulations (SFT – Completed within the last 10 years)• Fire and Life Safety Educator 1A: Fire and Life Safety Educator 1
Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Held the position of Fire Inspector or Prevention Officer within a recognized California fire agency for a minimum of three (3) years• Specific expertise in the following areas as described in the chief’s letter:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Prevention duties and administration (Fire Inspector 2A)○ Fire and life safety requirements (Fire Inspector 2B)○ Field inspections (Fire Inspector 2C)○ California specifications for field inspections (Fire Inspector 2D)
Chief’s Letter	Provide a letter signed by their Fire Chief or authorized designee that verifies qualification to deliver Fire Inspector curriculum.
Application	Submit an SFT Instructor Registration Application
Fee	Pay the registration fee

POTENTIAL AGENCY IMPACTS

Fire agencies desiring to use the Fire Inspector (2024) curriculum as a requirement for their recruitment/promotion activities need to review the Fire Inspector (2024) curriculum requirements to be sure that all agency training needs are met. After review, fire agencies should update their job specifications and recruitment documentation to reflect these new courses and certification requirements.

Accredited Regional Training Programs (ARTP), Accredited Local Academies (ALA), community colleges, and all other local delivery venues need to review the curriculum and seek approval from their curriculum committee / program sponsor, as appropriate. ARTPs should review the new Fire Inspector (2024) curriculum and discuss potential impacts with their advisory committees.