



(PACE VI) APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

State-Certified Prescribed-Fire Burn Boss Prerequisite Equivalency

Overview

PACE VI provides a pathway for the experienced prescribed-fire practitioner to apply prior knowledge and experience to satisfy the Prerequisite Coursework Requirements. These requirements are detailed on the State-Certified Prescribed-Fire Burn Boss Course Plan.

This application, a letter of recommendation on agency/department letterhead, signed by the authorized signatory (a Fire Chief or CAL FIRE Unit Chief or his/her designee), and documentation of prescribed-fire experience and training shall be submitted to State Fire Training no less than 6 weeks prior to enrollment in a course. The PACE VI approval or denial shall be verified by the Registered Instructor and it is recommended that the student also maintain a copy.

Application Process

1. Mail the equivalency application, supporting documentation, and \$200 PACE VI fee to:
State Fire Training, PACE VI Committee
PO Box 944246, Sacramento, CA 94244-2460.
2. The Committee conducts an application review.
 - a. SFT will issue the PACE VI approval or denial through the SFT User Portal and/or candidate email.

<https://osfm-sft.acadisonline.com/>



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Identification

Full Name:

SFT ID Number:

Date of Birth:

Mailing Address:

City, State, Zip Code:

Phone (Mobile):

Email:

Firing Boss Experience Equivalency

Prescribed-Fire Experience

How many prescribed-fire projects have you been involved with? (Attach any supporting documents)

Fire-Operations Projects

To qualify for the firing experience equivalency, you must demonstrate that you have significant experience supervising firing operations. Describe two to three projects in which you were managing firing operations. A greater number of and/or higher-complexity projects will increase your chances of achieving equivalency. You may include additional pages for each questionnaire section if needed.



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Project 1

Date: _____

Location: _____

Vegetation type (grass, brush, timber understory, etc.):

Project description: your role, size of project, number of people, tools and equipment used, successes and challenges (Attach any supporting documents.)



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Project 2

Date: _____

Location: _____

Vegetation type (grass, brush, timber understory, etc.):

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Project 3

Date: _____

Location: _____

Vegetation type (grass, brush, timber understory, etc.):

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Leadership Experience Equivalency

Leadership Experience

To qualify for the leadership experience equivalency, you must demonstrate significant experience leading at least three to five people toward a common objective. Describe your leadership experience, including the situation or environment, duration, tasks, and challenges and successes. Leadership experience need not be fire related. (Attach any applicable supporting documents or references.)

