



Structural Collapse Specialist (2021) Interim Procedures

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Procedure Changes

- Edition:** May 2020 edition of the State Fire Training Procedures Manual
- Effective Date:** June 1, 2022
- Section Change:** Add Section 6.7.28: STRUCTURAL COLLAPSE SPECIALIST INSTRUCTOR
- Justification:** This Interim Procedure is the instructor requirements for the new STRUCTURAL COLLAPSE SPECIALIST 1 and STRUCTURAL COLLAPSE SPECIALIST 2 courses.
- SFT Contact:** Contact SFT Staff assigned to Instructor Registration.
- Note:** *All new text appears in underline. All deleted text appears in ~~strikeout~~*

6.7: INSTRUCTIONAL DISCIPLINES

6.7.28: STRUCTURAL COLLAPSE SPECIALIST INSTRUCTOR

6.7.28.1: Eligible Courses

Table 6.7.28.1: Structural Collapse Specialist Eligible Courses

<u>CFSTES Courses</u>	<u>FSTEP Courses</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>None</u> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Structural Collapse Specialist 1: Operations</u> • <u>Structural Collapse Specialist 2: Technician</u>

6.7.28.2: General Qualifications

- A. A Registered Primary Instructor for a Fire Service Training and Education Program (FSTEP) Structural Collapse Specialist course shall meet the qualifications required of all State Fire Training (SFT) Registered Primary Instructors.
 - 1. See 6.2.1: Qualifications.
- B. A Structural Collapse Specialist 2: Technician Registered Primary Instructor shall meet the Instructor requirements for Structural Collapse Specialist 1: Operations.
- C. A current FEMA Structural Collapse Specialist 4.0 Instructor is eligible to be recognized as a Structural Collapse Specialist 1: Operations and Structural Collapse Specialist 2: Technician through December 31, 2022.



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1. To seek eligibility, the candidate must:
 - i. Be a Registered SFT Instructor
 - ii. Have completed the following courses: Structural Collapse Specialist (FEMA: 2017 or current edition) and Structural Collapse Specialist - Virtual Roll Out Course (SFT)
2. Candidates do not have to complete the SFT required task book(s).

6.7.28.3: Course Work

- A. A Registered Primary Instructor for an FSTEP Structural Collapse Specialist 1: Operations course must have attended and passed Structural Collapse Specialist 1: Operations Course
- B. A Registered Primary Instructor for an FSTEP Structural Collapse Specialist 2: Technician course must have attended and passed Structural Collapse Specialist 1: Operations and Structural Collapse Specialist 2: Technician course.

6.7.28.4: Instructor Requirements

- A. See 6.2.1.2: Instructor Requirements.

6.7.28.5: Teaching Experience

- A. None

6.7.28.6: Task Book

- A. A Structural Collapse Specialist 1: Operations Primary Instructor must complete a Structural Collapse Specialist 1: Operations Instructor Task Book.
- B. A Structural Collapse Specialist 2: Technician Primary Instructor must complete a Structural Collapse Specialist 2: Technician Instructor Task Book.
- C. A Structural Collapse Specialist 1: Operations or Structural Collapse Specialist 2: Technician Primary Instructor Trainee has three years after starting their Primary Instructor Trainee Task Book to complete the task book requirements and submit to State Fire Training.



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- D. All components within the Structural Collapse Specialist 1: Operations Primary Instructor Task Book must be verified and signed by a Registered Structural Collapse Specialist 1: Operations Primary Instructor.
- E. All components within the Structural Collapse Specialist 2: Technician Primary Instructor Task Book must be verified and signed by a Registered Structural Collapse Specialist 2: Technician Primary Instructor.
- F. A Primary Instructor candidate for Structural Collapse Specialist 1: Operations or Structural Collapse Specialist 2: Technician Primary Instructor must successfully perform each of the tasks listed in the Instructor Task Book twice. The two instances must occur during two different registered courses. The same evaluator cannot sign off on the same task twice.

6.7.28.7: Professional Experience

- A. A Structural Collapse Specialist Primary Instructor Trainee or Registered Primary Instructor shall meet the professional experience qualifications listed below.
 1. Performing in an “acting” or “trainee” capacity does not qualify.

Table 6.7.28.7: Structural Collapse Specialist – Primary Instructor Professional Experience

<u>FSTEP Course</u>	<u>Experience</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Structural Collapse Specialist 1: Operations</u> • <u>Structural Collapse Specialist 2: Technician</u> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>OSFM certified Fire Fighter 2; and</u> • <u>Held the rank of Fire Fighter within a recognized fire agency in California performing suppression/rescue duties for a minimum of two years; or</u> • <u>Held the rank of Fire Fighter within a recognized fire agency in California performing suppression/rescue duties for a minimum of four years of volunteer or part-time paid experience time</u>

6.7.28.8: Application – Instructor Trainee

- A. The Structural Collapse Specialist 1: Operations or Structural Collapse Specialist 2: Technician applicant shall submit the following items to the Registered Instructor who will oversee the evaluation:
 1. A current resume listing education, position, and experience



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2. A copy of a course completion diploma for required courses
 3. A copy of Instructor 2 course completion diplomas or verification that the applicant is a Registered Instructor with SFT.
 4. An initiated Instructor Task Book
 - i. For Structural Collapse Specialist 1: Operations, submit a Structural Collapse Specialist 1: Operations Instructor Task Book.
 - ii. For Structural Collapse Specialist 2: Technician, submit a Structural Collapse Specialist 2: Technician Instructor Task Book.

6.7.28.9: Application – Primary Instructor

- A. See 6.2.3: Application Process.

6.7.28.10: Maintenance – Primary Instructor

- A. A Registered Structural Collapse Specialist 1: Operations or Structural Collapse Specialist 2: Technician Primary Instructor shall teach at least one Structural Collapse Specialist 1: Operations or Structural Collapse Specialist 2: Technician courses every three years.
 1. A current FEMA Structural Collapse Specialist Instructor in good standing meets this requirement.

6.7.28.11: Structural Collapse Specialist Instructor Update

- A. A Registered Instructor for Rescue Systems 1 (Modules 2 and 4), Rescue Systems 2 (All Modules), or Structural Collapse Specialist 4.0 Instructor (FEMA) must meet the following Instructor Update requirements, to become a Primary Registered Instructor for Structural Collapse Specialist 1: Operations.
 1. Satisfy the Instructor Update requirements and apply to SFT no later than December 31, 2022
 2. Attend and pass the following courses:
 - i. Structural Collapse Specialist (FEMA, computer-based training, 2017 or current edition)
 - ii. Structural Collapse Specialist - Virtual Roll Out Course (SFT)
 3. Submit a course completion diploma for each course listed in the Instructor Update to SFT through the SFT User Portal.



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- B. A Registered Instructor for Registered Rescue Systems 2 Instructor (All Modules) must meet the following Instructor Update requirements, to become a Primary Registered Instructor for Structural Collapse Specialist 2: Technician.
1. Satisfy the Instructor Update requirements and apply to SFT no later than December 31, 2022
 2. Attend and pass the following courses:
 - i. Structural Collapse Specialist (FEMA, computer-based training, 2017 or current edition)
 - ii. Structural Collapse Specialist - Virtual Roll Out Course (SFT)
 3. Must be a Registered Primary Instructor for the following courses:
 - i. Registered Rescue Systems 3 Instructor (All Modules)
 - ii. Structural Collapse Specialist 4.0 Instructor (FEMA)
 4. Submit a course completion diploma for each course listed in the Instructor Update to SFT through the SFT User Portal.
- C. A Registered Instructor for Rescue Systems 1 (All Modules), Rescue Systems 2 (All Modules), and Rescue Systems 3 (All Modules) who does not submit all Instructor Update documents to SFT by December 31, 2022, will lose their Registered Primary Instructor status for the Rescue Systems levels, and will be required to reapply to SFT under the new requirements