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Instructor Changes

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State Fire Training (SFT) proposed new instructor requirements and terminology that was approved by Statewide Training and Education Advisory Committee (STEAC), July 2017, and approved by State Board of Fire Services (SBFS), August 2017.

The instructor qualifications used to become a registered instructor and certified instructor has been utilized since the 1980s within SFT. These approved changes will enhance the professional qualifications of new future SFT instructors while utilizing current Registered instructors that are in good standing with SFT.

CURRENT INSTRUCTOR REQUIREMENTS

Instructor Registration remains unchanged through December 31, 2018. Instructor registration currently requires the following:

- Instructor Courses fulfilled from one of the following training qualifications:
 - Attended and passed SFT Instructor I and Instructor II OR
 - Attended and passed SFT Training Instructor 1A, 1B, and 1C OR
 - Attended and passed SFT Training Instructor 1A,1B, and Instructor II OR
 - Attended and passed SFT Fire Instructor 1A and 1B and Training Instructor 1C or Fire Instructor 2A OR
 - Attended and passed Fire Instructor 1A,1B, and Instructor II OR
 - Holds a valid lifetime community college teaching credential
 - Completed the 60-hour Techniques of Teaching course from a University of California (UC) or California State University (CSU) institution OR
 - Completed the National Fire Academy's (NFA) Fire Service Instructional Methodology course
 - Completed four semester units of upper-division credit in educational materials, methods, or curriculum development
- Regional Instructor Orientation (RIO) completed within the previous two (2) years of the application date
- Ethical Leadership in the Classroom and has a signed SFT Instructor Code of Ethics on file
- 80 Hours Instructional Experience

CFTES / FSTEP INSTRUCTOR REQUIREMENTS

Starting January 1, 2019, **new** instructors applying to teach CFSTES / FSTEP courses will be required to meet the following requirements:

- Instructor I Certification (40 Hours Instructional Experience and completed Task Book)
- Instructor II Certification (40 Hours Instructional Experience and completed Task Book)
- Regional Instructor Orientation (RIO) completed within two (2) years of application date



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- Ethical Leadership in the Classroom and have a signed SFT Instructor Code of Ethics on file

Current Registered Instructors (applied for registration on/before December 31, 2018 or are already a Registered Instructor) maintain their Instructor status. Additionally, current Registered Instructors can add additional courses to teach.

FIRE FIGHTER I / II ACADEMY INSTRUCTOR REQUIREMENTS

Starting January 1, 2019, **new** instructors for Fire Fighter I and Fire Fighter II academies will be required to meet the following requirements:

- Instructor I Certification (40 Hours Instructional Experience and completed Task Book)
- Ethical Leadership in the Classroom

Current Academy Instructors (those who were instructing at the ALA/ARTP on/before December 31, 2018) maintain their status even though they may not be “Certified Instructors.”

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