

Dear Fire Chief,

Your fire fighter is currently enrolled in the New York State Office of Fire Prevention and Control’s Fire Fighter I course. This program was designed to be a comprehensive course encompassing National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Fire Fighter Standard 1001, NFPA Professional Competence of Responders to Hazardous Materials Emergencies 472, and the Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA) regulations. The OSHA regulations training completed will be listed later herein. The firefighter will be trained in the duties commensurate his/her job as an Interior/ Structural SCBA qualified Fire fighter.

However, to complete the fire fighter’s qualification as an Interior Structural SCBA qualified firefighter they must have a respiratory fitness exam and a fit test of the respirator mask they will be using on the job. That responsibility is up to you according to OSHA’s Respiratory Protection Regulation 1910.134. The firefighter also must complete additional training pertaining to your department policies and operations as you see below.

Fire Fighter-1 Course Completes	Need to be completed by home FD or other courses
OSHA 1910.156 Initial 15 hours safety training	FD local rules and regulations
OSHA 1910.134 Respiratory Protection training	FD Policy familiarization, Respiratory Fitness Exam, Respirator Fit test
OSHA 1910.120 Hazardous Materials Response-Operations level	FD Policy Familiarization
OSHA 1910.146 Confined Space Awareness training	FD Response Plan
OSHA 1910.147 Hazardous Energy Control (Lockout/Tag out)	FD Policy Familiarization
	OSHA 1910.1030 Blood Borne Pathogens Training/ FD Policy
	OSHA 1910.1200 Right-to-Know/ FD Policy

In order for the fire fighter to be qualified to sit for the Fire Fighter-I National Certification Examination they must also have completed a minimum of a First-Aid/ AED-CPR course. The card for the course does not have to be current to qualify the fire fighter for the exam. They also have to be trained on your FD local rules and regulations as well as district familiarization. The New York State Fire Fighter-I course will train them for the remaining requirements of National Fire Fighter-I certification.

We hope that this program will provide you with a completely trained individual that can go to work for you with minimal training on your part. Thank you for continued dedication to your community.

Sincerely,

The New York State Department of State, Office of Fire Prevention and Control

