OVERVIEW

Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting Awareness (2018) curriculum is a new course Fire Service Training and Education Program (FSTEP) course. The course plan has been developed based on current the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 14, Part 139, Subpart D, Section 139.319, the covers the requirements for Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting Operations. Typically NFPA Professional Qualification Standards are used, however in this particular case there is only one chapter that contains no JPR’s, but guideline/suggestions in different specific areas related to structural fire department operations at Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting (ARFF) Operations incidents.

IMPLEMENTATION

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INSTRUCTOR REQUIREMENTS

New instructors for Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting Awareness (2018) course shall meet the SFT requirements for Registered Instructor, and will be required to either take the course or apply for a Pace II review of their instructor qualifications, including appropriate education and practical experience relating to course content.

Additionally, a new instructor of the Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting Awareness (2018), a FSTEP course, the following shall apply:

1. Rank and Professional Experience:
   a. Held the rank of suppression firefighter within a Recognized Fire Agency in California for a minimum of three years or;
   b. Worked as a volunteer suppression firefighter or paid call officer with a Recognized Fire Agency in California for a minimum of five years.
   c. Have a minimum of three years’ experience within a recognized fire agency in California in the field of aircraft rescue and fire fighting

POTENTIAL AGENCY IMPACTS

Fire agencies will have the typical impacts of new training with a new curriculum for training and operational implementation. Special attention should be paid to this new updated FSTEP course, as it is NOT included in any of SFT certification tracks at this time. 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.