



# California State Fire Training



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## INTERIM SFT PROCEDURES

**Procedure Title:** Fire Control Instructor  
**Effective Date:** August 20, 2015  
**Section Change:** Updated Fire Control 4 instructor requirements.

### New Fire Control 4 Instructors

New Fire Control 4 Instructors beginning to pursue instructor registration should utilize the requirements listed on the subsequent interim procedure pages.

### Current Fire Control 4 Instructors

Current Fire Control 4, 4A or 4B Instructors are authorized to instruct the new curriculum.

**Justification:** On April 17, 2015 the Statewide Training and Education Advisory Committee (STEAC) recommended that the updated Fire Control 4 curriculum be approved as a Fire Service Training and Education Program (FSTEP) course. This recommendation was taken into consideration as the State Board of Fire Services also made a recommendation to the State Fire Marshal to adopt this updated course.

The current SFT Procedures Manual dated May 2008 does not include the updated curriculum. This interim procedure clarifies the instructor registration requirements for Instructors seeking to teach this updated course.

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*This Interim Procedure provides guidance and/or interpretation on State Fire Training Procedures and shall be effective for 12 months from the approval date.*

## 6.8.6: FIRE CONTROL – PRIMARY INSTRUCTOR

### 6.8.6.1: Eligible Courses

CFSTES Courses	FSSTEP Courses
None	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fire Control 1: Basic Fire Chemistry</li> <li>• Fire Control 2: Basic Operations – Structural</li> <li>• Fire Control 3A: Structural Fire Fighting in Acquired Structures</li> <li>• Fire Control 3B: Structural Fire Fighting in Live-Fire Simulators</li> <li><del>• Fire Control 4: Oil and Gas Fire Fighting</del></li> <li>• <b>*Fire Control 4: Controlling Ignitable Liquids and Gases</b></li> <li>• Fire Control 4A/B: Flammable Gases and Liquids Fire Fighting</li> <li>• Fire Control 5: Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting</li> <li>• Fire Control 6: Wildland Fire Fighting Essentials</li> <li>• Fire Control 7: Wildland Fire Fighting</li> </ul>

**\*New**

### 6.8.6.2: General Qualifications

- A. A primary instructor for a FSSTEP Fire Control course shall meet the qualifications required of all SFT registered primary instructors.
1. See **6.2.1: Qualifications**.

### 6.8.6.3: Rank and Professional Experience

- A. A primary instructor for a FSSTEP Fire Control course shall meet the rank and professional experience qualifications listed below.
1. Performing in an “acting” capacity does not qualify.

FSSTEP Course	Rank and Experience
• Fire Control 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Held the rank of fire fighter within a Recognized Fire Agency in California performing suppression/rescue duties for a minimum of two years</li> </ul>
• Fire Control 2	
• Fire Control 3A	
• Fire Control 3B	
• Fire Control 4	
• Fire Control 4A/B	
• Fire Control 5	
• Fire Control 6	
• Fire Control 7	

**6.8.6.4: Task Book**

- A. A primary instructor candidate for Fire Control 3A, 3B or 4 must successfully complete the corresponding instructor task book.
- B. A primary instructor candidate for Fire Control 3A, 3B or 4 has two years after initiating the task book to complete the task book requirements.
- C. A primary instructor candidate for Fire Control 3A, 3B or 4 must successfully complete all instructor requirements and become a registered primary instructor for the subject within one year of completing the task book.
- D. A primary instructor candidate for Fire Control 4 must successfully perform all of the tasks during three different training events
- E. Only a Fire Control 4 senior instructor may evaluate a Fire Control 4 primary instructor candidate.

## 6.8.7: FIRE CONTROL – SENIOR INSTRUCTOR

### 6.8.7.1: Eligible Courses

CFSTES Courses	FSTEP Courses
None	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fire Control 3A: Structural Fire Fighting in Acquired Structures</li> <li>• Fire Control 3B: Structural Fire Fighting in Life-Fire Simulators</li> <li>• <del>Fire Control 4: Oil and Gas Fire Fighting</del></li> <li>• *Fire Control 4: Controlling Ignitable Liquids and Gases</li> <li>• Fire Control 4A/B: Flammable Gases and Liquids Fire Fighting</li> <li>• Fire Control 5: Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting</li> <li>• Fire Control 7: Wildland Fire Fighting</li> </ul>

### 6.8.7.2: General Qualifications

- A. A senior instructor for a FSTEP Fire Control course shall meet the qualifications required of all SFT registered senior instructors.
1. See **6.2.1: Qualifications**.

### 6.8.7.3: Teaching Experience

- A. A senior instructor for Fire Control 4, 4A/B, 5, and 7 shall have taught a minimum of two Fire Control courses as the primary instructor within the last three years.

### 6.8.7.4: Rank and Experience

- A. Same as the primary instructor.
1. See **6.8.6.4: Rank and Experience**.

### 6.8.7.5: Task Book

- A. A senior instructor candidate for Fire Control 3A, 3B or 4 must successfully complete the corresponding instructor task book.
- B. A senior instructor candidate for Fire Control 3A, 3B or 4 has two years after initiating the task book to complete the task book requirements.

- C. A senior instructor candidate for Fire Control 3A, 3B or 4 must successfully complete all instructor requirements and become a registered senior instructor for the subject within one year of completing the task book.
- D. A senior instructor candidate for Fire Control 3A, 3B, or 4 must successfully perform all of the tasks during three different training events
- E. A senior instructor candidate for Fire Control 3A or 3B must be evaluated by a minimum of three different senior instructors.
- F. Only a Fire Control 4 senior instructor may evaluate a Fire Control 4 senior instructor candidate.