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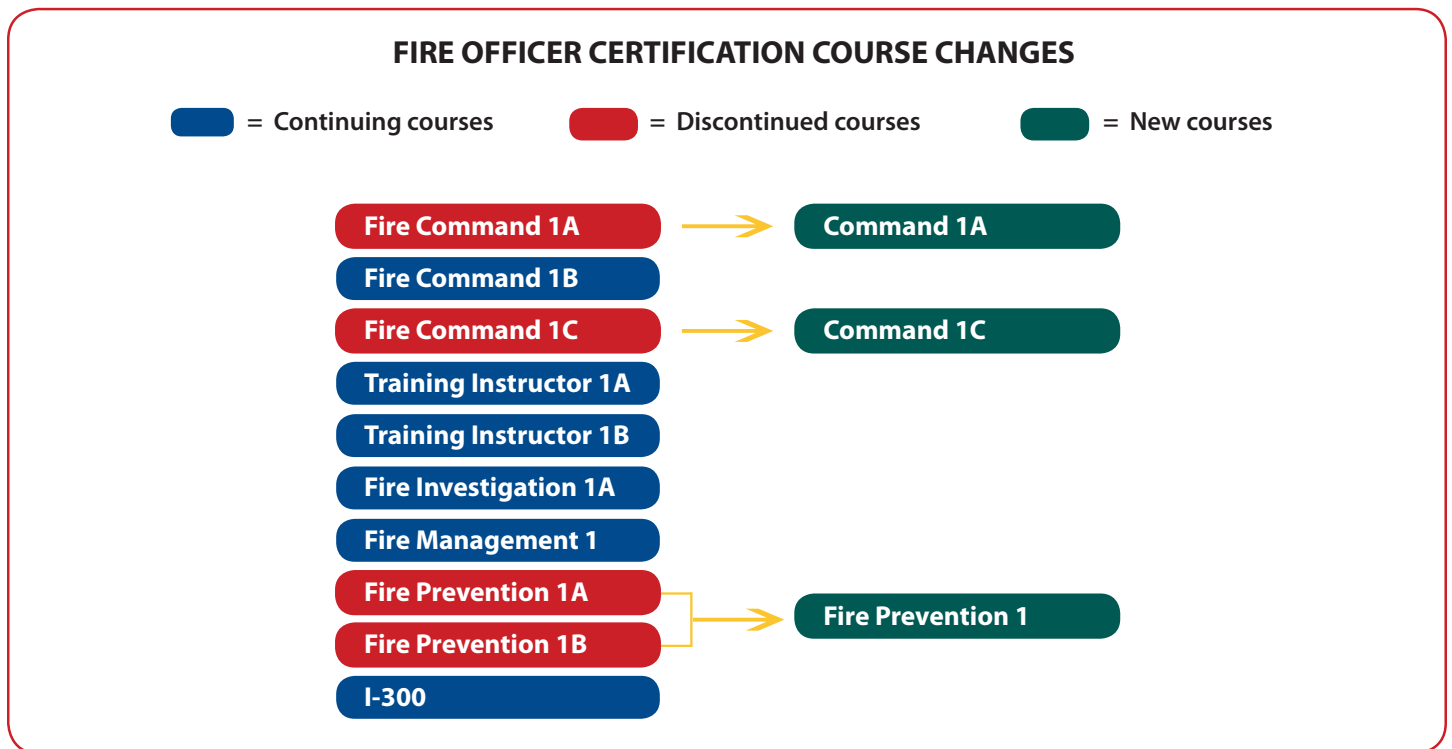
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Fire Officer Certification Implementation of New Certification and Course Requirements

This document is intended to provide information for all State Fire Training (SFT) stakeholders on changes to Fire Officer Certification and course requirements. Stakeholders are encouraged to study this information carefully and seek clarification from SFT if questions arise.

COURSE CHANGES **Effective January 1, 2013**



Fire Command Courses

- **Discontinued:** *Fire Command 1A (1995)* and *Fire Command 1C (2004)* will be phased out of the required Fire Command curriculum in the Fire Officer Certification Track.
- **New:** *Command 1A: Command Principles for the Company Officer (2012)* and *Command 1C: Wildland Urban Interface Operations for the Company Officer (2012)* will be phased in as **new** Fire Command curriculum in the Fire Officer Certification Track.

Fire Prevention Courses

- **Discontinued:** *Fire Prevention 1A (2009)* and *Fire Prevention 1B (2009)* will be phased out as the required Fire Prevention curriculum in the Fire Officer Certification Track.
- **New:** *Fire Prevention 1: Fire and Life Safety Inspections for the Company Officer (2012)* will be phased in as the **new** Fire Prevention curriculum in the Fire Officer Certification Track.

Continuing Courses

- *Fire Command 1B (1995)*, *Fire Management 1 (2000)*, *Training Instructor 1A (2010)*, *Training Instructor 1B (2010)*, and *Fire Investigation 1A (1996)* will continue as required curriculum in the Fire Officer Certification Track.

TRANSITION PERIOD **Effective January 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014**

- **New** and **discontinued** Fire Command and Fire Prevention courses can continue to be delivered during this transition period.

EQUIVALENCY PERIOD **Effective January 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014**

- *Fire Prevention 1A (2009) (existing)* and *Fire Prevention 1B (2009) (existing)* will be equivalent to the **new** *Fire Prevention 1: Fire and Life Safety Inspections for the Company Officer (2012)*.
- *Fire Command 1A (1995) (existing)* and *Fire Command 1C (2004) (existing)* will be equivalent to the **new** *Command 1A: Command Principles for the Company Officer (2012)* and *Command 1C: Wildland Urban Interface Operations for the Company Officer (2012)*.

CURRENT FIRE OFFICER CERTIFICATION CANDIDATES **January 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014**

- Candidates pursuing Fire Officer Certification under the existing requirements and/or wishing to utilize the equivalencies stipulated above must complete all requirements, and submit their fees and applications to SFT prior to **June 30, 2014**.

COURSE PHASE OUT **Effective June 30, 2014**

- Effective **June 30, 2014**, *Fire Command 1A (1995)*, *Fire Command 1C (2004)*, *Fire Prevention 1A (2009)*, and *Fire Prevention 1B (2009)* will no longer be delivered and the curriculum will be retired.

COURSE PREREQUISITE CHANGES **Effective January 1, 2013**

- Effective **January 1, 2013**, *Fire Prevention 1 (2012) (new)* and *I-200: Basic ICS* are prerequisites for the **new** *Command 1A (2012)*.
- Effective **January 1, 2013**, *Fire Command 1A (1995) (existing)* or *Command 1A (2012) (new)* and *S-290: Intermediate Wild Land Fire Behavior* are prerequisites for the **new** *Command 1C (2012)*.

REGISTERED INSTRUCTOR REQUIREMENTS **Effective January 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014**

Command Courses

- Instructors in good standing with SFT and currently registered to teach existing *Fire Command 1A (1995)* and *Fire Command 1C (2004)* will be eligible to teach the **new** *Command 1A (2012)* and *Command 1C (2012)* once they have attended an Instructor Update Course (IUC) being delivered through **June 30, 2014**.

Fire Prevention Courses

- Instructors in good standing with SFT and currently registered to teach existing *Fire Prevention 1A (2009)* and *Fire Prevention 1B (2009)* will be eligible to teach the **new** *Fire Prevention 1* course once they have attended an *Instructor Update Course (IUC)* being delivered through **June 30, 2014** and a *Fire Prevention 1 Rollout Course* being delivered through **June 30, 2013**.

POTENTIAL AGENCY IMPACTS

- Fire agencies utilizing either Fire Officer Courses or Fire Officer Certification as minimum qualifications for recruitment may need to review the new Fire Officer Curriculum and certification track requirements to see if local implementation may need to be updated.