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Minimum Standard for Accreditation (MSA)

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Course Title: Essentials Refresher (EFFR)

Length of Course: 24 Hours

Lecture/Lab Breakdown: 6/18

Prerequisites: None

Course Goal: Upon completion the student shall have been exposed to a review of basic Structural Fire Fighting theories and techniques with hands on practice.

Description of Course: The basic skills necessary to function as a member of a fire department. are reviewed in this course. Topics include; hose, ladders, and use of S.C.B.A.

Description of Methodology to be used: (Brief) A combination of lecture and hands on practice. Practical skills evaluation throughout the course.

Student Equipment/Supply Needs: T.O.G., S.C.B.A., Note taking material

Equipment/Audiovisual/Supply requirements: Chalkboard or Flipchart, hose, ladders, S.C.B.A., nozzles, pumper, structure suitable for basic evolutions and forcible entry tools.

COURSE OUTLINE **(General - Not Detailed)**

<u>Time</u>	<u>Content</u>	<u>Instructor</u> <u>Notes</u>
1.5	Module I Personal Protective Equipment	
3.5	Module II Hose Loads & Advancement	
3.0	Module III Ladders	
4.0	Module IV S.C.B.A.	
3.0	Module V Hose & Ladders	
3.0	Module VI Fire Streams & Hydrant Connections	
2.0	Module VII Forcible Entry	
4.0	Module VIII Integrated Exercises	

Competency Evaluation Mechanism (Brief description-attach copy): Periodic direct questioning by instructor. Evaluation of skills for each module. (Suggest use of the applicable Essentials Module I skill sheets.)

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MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR ACCREDITATION

Course Objectives (specific): The participant will:

- a. be able to describe proper PPE and shall demonstrate correct donning of PPE.
- b. be able to properly demonstrate 2 different hose loads.
- c. be able to load and advance a pre-connect hose line.
- d. be able to demonstrate correct procedures for raising and climbing a 24' ladder.
- e. be able to don and operate a S.C.B.A.
- f. be able to safely advance a pre-connect up a ladder.
- g. be able to safely handle hose streams.
- h. be able to identify different forcible entry tools and describe use of same.