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Minimum Standard for Accreditation (MSA)

February 1993

Course Title: Structural Burn Session (SBS)

<u>Length of Course:</u> 16 Hours <u>Lecture/Lab Breakdown:</u> 4/12

Prerequisites: EBM

Referenced Texts: NFPA 1403

<u>Course Goal:</u> To enable the student to safely attack and extinguish an interior fire in a structure as a member of a single line hose team.

<u>Description of Course:</u> This course will provide the student with a review and application of the techniques used in safe fire fighting practices in an actual fire environment. Emphasis is placed on safety for both interior and exterior operations.

<u>Description of Methodology to be used: (Brief)</u> Lecture/Discussion followed by supervised

<u>Student Equipment/Supply Needs:</u> Full structural protective clothing, S.C.B.A., Notebook suitable for field use.

Equipment/Audiovisual Supply requirements: Classroom, Chalkboard, Screen, Projectors/VCR as chosen by instructor. * Minimum of 2 engines, provisions for 2 independent water sources as per NFPA 1403.

*A great number of audio/visual presentation materials are available on this topic. Instructor may choose those which best fit the course objectives.

Special Conditions: All provisions of the State Fire Academy Live Burn Policy in effect on the date of the class must be complied with fully.

- COURSE OUTLINE (General - Not Detailed)

<u>Time</u>	Content	Notes
:30	Registration, Introduction	
2:00	Fire Behavior in Structures	
1:30	Interior Fire Attack Methods & Proce	dures
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- COURSE OUTLINE continued (General - Not Detailed)

		Instructor
<u>Time</u>	Content	<u>Notes</u>
2:00	S.C.B.A. Drill - Live Smoke	
2:00	Hose Advancement/Ladder Practices R	eview
:30	Orientation - Safety Briefing	
	1. Assignment of Personnel	
	2. Attack Procedures	
	3. Emergency Procedures	
	4. Personnel Accountability	
7:30	Live Fire Attacks	

<u>Competency Evaluation Mechanism (Brief description-attach copy:)</u> Students will be evaluated during practical exercise.

<u>Course Objectives (specific):</u> At the end of the course the student will demonstrate the following to the satisfaction of the instructors:

- 1. Demonstrate proficiency in the use of protective clothing and S.C.B.A. by safely operating in a live fire environment.
- 2. Demonstrate proficiency in the use of hose lines and nozzles by successfully attacking and extinguishing a live fire in the interior of a structure using a direct attack, an indirect attack, and a combination attack as appropriate.
- 3. Demonstrate a knowledge of fire behavior by properly placing hose lines to initiate an attack with a maximum of effect while maintaining a safe position of hose crews.
- 4. Demonstrate a knowledge of basic ventilation procedures by using a fog stream to affect forced ventilation after knock down is accomplished.
- 5. Demonstrate a knowledge of safety procedures by working from a safe position, working in pairs, maintaining contact with his team, and adhering to personnel accountability system.

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