

**ALABAMA FIRE COLLEGE
AND PERSONNEL STANDARDS COMMISSION**

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME: Alabama Fire College and Personnel Standards Commission

RULE NO. & TITLE: 360-X-9-.02 Certified Hazardous Materials First Responder At The Operational Level

INTENDED ACTION: This modification of the Administrative Code is intended to reflect the addition of a standard level defined by the National Fire Protection Association.

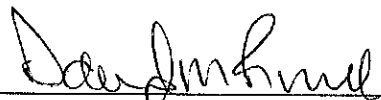
SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: The Alabama Fire College is accredited to conduct training and certification testing for firefighters. This training and testing is conducted in correlation with the NFPA consensus standards. The new NFPA 1072 standard does not include the terminology "First Responder". The change includes removal of "First Responder" from all references to the job title/s related to Hazardous Materials First Responder Awareness and Operations level as well as the title of the old NFPA 472 standard.

TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: Interested persons may present their views orally or in writing to the Director of the Alabama Fire College and Personnel Standards Commission, 2501 Phoenix Drive, Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35405, at any time from October 31, 2018 through January 15, 2019.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE:
Comments will be accepted until the close of the public hearing on the matter on January 16, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

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360-X-9-.02 Certified Hazardous Materials ~~First Responder~~
At The - Operational Level including mission-specific
levels, 6.2-Personal Protective Equipment & 6.6-Product
Control.

(1) Requirements

(a) ~~The candidate must have successfully completed the requirements of~~ shall be certified to Hazardous Materials First Responder at the - Awareness Level.

(b) Examination. There will be an examination for state certification provided by the Alabama Fire College and Personnel Standards Commission.

1. An overall score of 70% is required for the successful completion of this examination.

2. Re-test may be taken after 30 days and within 12 months of the date of course completion.

3. All certification testing, to include re-testing, must be completed within 12 months of the course completion date.

(2) Administration

(a) Scope. This standard identifies the levels of competence required to perform the duties of a ~~Hazardous Materials First Responder at the Operational Level including mission-specific levels, 6.2-Personal Protective Equipment & 6.6-Product Control.~~

(b) Purpose. The purpose of this standard is to specify minimum requirements of competence for a ~~Hazardous Materials First Responder at the Operational Level including mission-specific levels, 6.2-Personal Protective Equipment & 6.6-Product Control.~~ It is not the intent of this standard to restrict any jurisdiction from exceeding these minimum requirements.

1. One of the purposes of the qualification requirements contained herein is to reduce the number of accidents, injuries, and illnesses during response to hazardous materials incidents and to help prevent exposure to hazardous materials to reduce the probability of fatalities, illnesses, and disabilities affecting emergency response personnel.

(c) General

1. The candidate shall meet all of the requirements for this standard before being certified as Hazardous Materials ~~First Responder at the -~~ Operational Level including mission-specific levels, 6.2-Personal Protective Equipment & 6.6-Product Control.

2. Each performance objective for the Hazardous Materials ~~First Responder at the -~~ Operational Level including mission-specific levels, 6.2-Personal Protective Equipment & 6.6-Product Control shall be performed swiftly, safely, and with competence. Each objective shall be met in its entirety.

3. It is not required for the objectives to be mastered in the order they appear.

(3) Objectives

(a) The objectives of this standard are based on the ability of the candidate to demonstrate knowledge and skills as outlined in the Alabama Fire College and Personnel Standards Commission Teaching Outline for Hazardous Materials Awareness and Operations, current edition.

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Statutory Authority: Code of Ala. 1975, §§36-32-1 thru 36-32-12.

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