



Butte County Fire Department POLICIES & PROCEDURES

Training

MINOR SUBJECT: HazMat Training
SPECIFIC SUBJECT - Hazardous Materials FRO Mandatory Annual Recertification Training

No.
Date: January 1, 2012

POLICY:

All career and volunteer first responders are required to complete 8 hours of Hazardous Materials First Responder Operational (FRO) training annually.

PROCEDURE:

All career and volunteer first responders are required to complete 8 hours of HazMat FRO training annually. The 8 hours of HazMat FRO training can be accomplished in a variety of ways including attending instructor based HazMat related training courses or performing self-study on a variety of approved HazMat related topics.

All career and volunteer first responders shall be required to submit the completed HazMat FRO self-study training form (attached) to the Training and Safety Bureau annually, prior to the employee's HazMat FRO certification expiring and prior to December 31 of each year. The form must have 8 hours of HazMat FRO type training properly logged on the form and the training must have been completed within the same calendar year.

Once the Training and Safety Bureau receives the completed HazMat FRO self-study training form, the employee will be issued a HazMat FRO recertification certificate good for 1 year.

Employees can either attend HazMat type instructor based training courses or perform the below self-study HazMat related topics.

- Use of current Emergency Resource Guide(ERG)
- Recognizing Placards and Labels
- NFPA 704 system
- Decontamination procedures
- Local Hazmat Policy and Procedures
- Self Contained Breathing Apparatus training
- Terrorism Consequence Management refresher CD (self-paced)
- Terrorism Consequence Management Web Based Training Course
- IAFF HazMat CD (self-paced)
- Other Training and Safety Bureau provided HazMat training topics

HazMat Team members meet their HazMat FRO refresher requirements by maintaining team currency per the HazMat Team SOP's.

Career Staff:

CAL FIRE policy 4038.6 requires a refresher course in Hazardous Materials to be repeated annually.

Volunteer Staff:

Volunteer Standard Operating Procedures (5.27 Mandatory Re-certification and Refresher Training) requires volunteer firefighters to complete 8 hours of HazMat training annually.

DOCUMENTATION

Training records shall be maintained according to CAL FIRE policy and include an Employee Training Sign-up Sheet (IIPP-6) and/or Train Tracker.