SD Certified Firefighter Course Syllabus

Course Description: The SD Certified Firefighter Course is the foundation of the SD Fire Service Training Program. Below is a listing of the curriculum, online training course sections, hands on skills and testing that are required to be completed in order to become a SD Certified Firefighter. Course curriculum follows the NFPA 1001 Standard for Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications for Firefighter I and Firefighter II.

Options: SD Fire Departments/Instructors now have the option of delivering the SD Certified Firefighter course using:

1. A traditional classroom setting.
2. The new online/classroom course setting.

Instructor: The course must be proctored/led by a SD Certified Fire Service Instructor.

Funding: $750.00 in SD Firefighter Essentials Grant Program funding may be available to a grantee agency upon successful completion of the SD Certified Firefighter Course, The State Fire Marshal’s Office needs to be contacted and the Project Agreement completed before the start of a SD Certified Firefighter Course. For more information contact the State Fire Marshal’s Office.

Approved Curriculum:

IFSTA:
Essentials of Fire Fighting 7th edition (IFSTA).

Jones & Bartlett:
Fundamentals of Fire Fighter Skills 3rd edition. (J&B)
Fundamentals of Fire Fighter Skills 4th edition. (J&B)

Classroom Led Courses:
Instructors should use the training materials and PowerPoint presentations designed and provided for the approved curriculum.

Interactive Online Courses:
Action Training Systems (ATS Online) Interactive Courses: An access code is required for each student using the online courses. Access codes can be purchased thru the SD Redbook Fund at a fee of $30.00. ATS Online access codes are valid for one year: from September 1 – August 31 of following year. SD Redbook Contact is Adam Frick @ 1-605-760-4693 or sdredbook@gmail.com
Classes must be set up with your local Fire Marshal and a list of students attending will be emailed to Michael.Jones@state.sd.us and a group will be set up for that class and an informational email will be sent to you weekly with progress of your students.
Note: ATS Online courses are designed to teach to NFPA 1001, they can be used with either the IFSTA or Jones & Bartlett manual. Layout of the provided information is slightly different in each manual, so use the correlation guide below to match each online course with the proper book chapter.

Please see last page to assist with the corresponding Online Classes with the Yellow Card.
Testing:

- **(Online Only) Students must pass the Online Course Chapter testing.** The online testing will be monitored directly by the State Fire Marshal’s office and the Class Proctor/Lead Instructor.
- **Pass Unit I and Unit II written tests with a 70% or better grade.** (Given by the State Fire Marshal’s Office)
- **And pass the SD Certified Firefighter Practical Skill Test** (Third Party Evaluation)

**UNIT I**

NIMS/ICS Online Classes (Online classes provided by FEMA) must be completed before the FFI written test is taken.

Attendance will be signed off on the certification card by the lead instructor after the online training is competed and the certificates are handed in. Links to the classes provided below.

IS 100: [http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/is100b.asp](http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/is100b.asp)

IS 200: [http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/is/is200b.asp](http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/is/is200b.asp)

IS 700: [http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/is/is700a.asp](http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/is/is700a.asp)

IFSTA 7th additional ICS training in Chapter 19: Incident Scene Operations and Chapter 27: National Incident Management System – Incident Command Structure

Below listing shows the chapters to read, the classroom led instruction and the online class completion required to get the particular attendance section signed off of on the Certification Card.

**Orientation and Fire Service History:** Optional: not on certification card (PowerPoint presentation is available for classroom led class or can leave it up to students as a read only.)

Instructors may wish to instruct this when they are just starting the course at the same time they inform the student on their class expectations.

**Orientation:**
- J&B - Chapter 1: The History and Orientation of the Fire Service
- IFSTA 6th- Chapter 1: Orientation and Fire Service History
- IFSTA 7th- Chapter 1 (pg 8-23): Introduction to the Fire Service and Firefighter Safety

**Communications:**
- J&B - Chapter 4: Fire Service Communications
- IFSTA 6th- Chapter 3: Fire Department Communications
- IFSTA 7th- Chapter 2: Communications
- ATS Online: [Firefighter 1 – EF119 Fire Detection, Alarms & Communications](http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/is/is100b.asp)

**Safety:**
- J&B - Chapter 2 & 18: Fire Fighter Safety & Fire Fighter Survival
- IFSTA 6th - Chapter 2: Firefighter Safety and Health
- IFSTA 7th - Chapter 1 (pg 24-end): Introduction to the Fire Service and Firefighter Safety
- ATS Online: [Firefighter I – EF101 Firefighter Safety: Part 1, EF102 Firefighter Safety: Part 2](http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/is/is100b.asp)
### Fire Behavior:
- J&B - Chapter 6
- IFSTA 6th - Chapter 5
- IFSTA 7th - Chapter 4
- ATS Online: Firefighter 1 – EF103 Fire Behavior

### Extinguishers:
- J&B - Chapter 8
- IFSTA 6th - Chapter 7
- IFATA 7th - Chapter 6
- ATS Online: Firefighter 1 – EF107 Portable Extinguishers

### Personal Protective Equipment & SCBA:
- J&B - Chapter 3
- IFSTA 6th - Chapter 6
- IFSTA 7th - Chapter 5
- ATS Online: Firefighter I – EF104 SCBA1: Introduction, EF105 SCBA2: Use & Maintenance, EF106 Personal Protective Clothing

8 hour field practical and class discussion, students must be proficient in the skills they are performing.
- A roster of attendee’s and time spent on practical’s to be provided at testing time.

### Tools and Equipment:
- J&B - Chapter 9
- IFSTA 6th - Chapter 10
- IFSTA 7th - Chapter 21 Maintenance and Testing Responsibilities
- ATS Online: Firefighter I – EF120 Lighting & Power Sources

### Ropes & Knots:
- J&B - Chapter 10
- IFSTA 6th - Chapter 8
- IFSTA 7th – Chapter 7
- ATS Online: Firefighter I – EF108 Ropes & Knots

### Fire Control/Suppression:
- J&B - Chapter 11, 21-22
- IFSTA 6th - Chapter 17
- IFSTA 7th - Chapter 14
- ATS Online: Firefighter I – EF109 Fire Control 1, Firefighter II – EF205 Fire Control 2

### Forcible Entry:
- J&B - Chapter 12
- IFSTA 6th - Chapter 11
- IFSTA 7th – Chapter 9
- ATS Online: Firefighter I – EF118 Forcible Entry
8 hour field practical and class discussion, students must be proficient in the skills they are performing.

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8 hour field practical and class discussion, students must be proficient in the skills they are performing.

- A roster of attendee’s and time spent on practical’s to be provided at testing time.

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Note: Additional classroom time may be needed for Hazardous Material classes. 8 hour field practical and class discussion, students must be proficient in the skills they are performing.

- A roster of attendee’s and time spent on practical’s to be provided at testing time.

**Unit I Written Test**, Yellow card performance competencies must be completed before a student has met the standards to test. See the last page for performance competencies of requirements (SD Fire Marshal’s Office).

Note: If at any time throughout the course, the Proctor/Lead Instructor feels that a student may need additional time in a particular subject matter (whether that be classroom, online instruction or hands on skills), they may instruct the student to retake any portion of the course they deem necessary. It is the Proctor/Lead Instructors ultimate responsibility to make sure that their students have met the minimum level of knowledge, skills and abilities to be able to be called a SD Certified Firefighter.

**UNIT II**

**Fire Streams/Attack & Foam:**
- J&B - Chapter 17 Fire Attack and Foam
- IFSTA 6th - Chapter 16 Fire Streams
- IFSTA 7th – Chapter 18 Foam Fire Fighting, Liquid Fires and Gas Fires
- ATS Online: Firefighter 1 – EF117 Fire Streams, Firefighter II – EF206 Foam Fire Streams

**Rescue & Extrication:**
- J&B - Chapter 14, 26-27 Search & Rescue, Vehicle Rescue and Extrication, Special Rescue Teams
- IFSTA - Chapter 9-10 Structural Search, Victim Removal and Firefighter Survival, Chapter 10 Pages 504-551 Vehicle Extrication & Technical Rescue
- IFSTA 7th – Chapter 10,17 Chapter 10 Structural Search and Rescue & Chapter 17 Technical Rescue Support and Vehicle Extrication Operations.

**Salvage & Overhaul or Loss Control:**
- J&B - Chapter 19 Salvage & Overhaul
- IFSTA 6th - Chapter 18 Loss Control
- IFSTA 7th – Chapter 15 Overhaul, Property Conservation and Scene Preservation
- ATS Online: Firefighter I – EF121 Property Conservation: Salvage, EF122 Property Conservation: Overhaul

**Fire Cause:**
- J&B - Chapter 38 Fire Cause & Determination
- IFSTA 6th - Chapter 19 Fire Origin and Cause Determination
- IFSTA 7th – Chapter 20 Fire Origin and Cause Determination
- ATS Online: Firefighter II – EF208 Fire Origin & Cause
Hazardous Materials Operations:
J&B - Chapter 31-35, IFSTA - Chapter 24, IFSTA 7th - Chapters 25 
Hazardous Materials Operations, Mitigating Haz Mat /WMD, Action Options and Response Objectives and Chapter 26: PPE, Product Control and Decontamination
ATS Online: HM Response – HR007 Terrorism & WMD Awareness, HM Containment – CO003 Diking, Diverting & Retaining Spills

Public Education
J&B - Chapter 23 & 36, IFSTA 6th - Chapter 21, IFSTA 7th – Chapter 22 
Pre Incident Planning, Fire Prevention and Education, Fire and Life Safety Initiatives, Community Risk Reduction (pg 973-991)
ATS Online: Firefighter II – EF209 Pre-Incident & fire Safety Surveys, EF210 Fire Prevention & Public Education

Building Construction:
J&B - Chapter 7, IFSTA 6th - Chapter 4, IFSTA 7th – Chapter 3 
ATS Online: Firefighter II – EF201 Building Construction

CPR, Infection Control, Bleeding Control & Shock Management
This may require an outside CPR/AED Instructor
J&B - Chapters 20, 24-25, IFSTA 6th - Chapter 22, IFSTA 7th – Chapter 23 
Fire Fighter Rehabilitation, Fire and Emergency Medical Care Emergency medical Care, Emergency Medical Care for Fire Department First Responders, First Aid Provider, Infection Control & Prevention – ID001 Blood borne Pathogens, ID002 Airborne Pathogens & Other Diseases, Emergency Medical Responder – ER002 Workforce Safety, ER003 Primary Patient Assessment, ER008 Bleeding, ER009 Shock, ER011 Resuscitation

ATS Online: Firefighter II – EF201 Building Construction

CPR, Infection Control, Bleeding Control & Shock Management
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J&B - Chapters 20, 24-25, IFSTA 6th - Chapter 22, IFSTA 7th – Chapter 23 
Fire Fighter Rehabilitation, Fire and Emergency Medical Care Emergency medical Care, Emergency Medical Care for Fire Department First Responders, First Aid Provider, Infection Control & Prevention – ID001 Blood borne Pathogens, ID002 Airborne Pathogens & Other Diseases, Emergency Medical Responder – ER002 Workforce Safety, ER003 Primary Patient Assessment, ER008 Bleeding, ER009 Shock, ER011 Resuscitation

ATS Online: Firefighter II – EF201 Building Construction

8 hour field practical and class discussion, students must be proficient in the skills they are performing.
• A roster of attendee’s and time spent on practical’s to be provided at testing time.

Unit II Written Test, Yellow card must have completed class attendance for Unit II before a student has met the standards to test.

Note: If at any time throughout the course, the Proctor/Lead Instructor feels that a student may need additional time in a particular subject matter (whether that be classroom, online instruction or hands on skills), they may instruct the student to retake any portion of the course they deem necessary. It is
the Proctor/Lead Instructors ultimate responsibility to make sure that their students have met the minimum level of knowledge, skills and abilities to be able to be called a SD Certified Firefighter.

SD Certified Firefighter Certification Card must be fully completed, signed and dated class participation for Unit I and Unit II, signed and dated performance competencies on the back of the card along with student signatures, Lead Instructor and the participants Fire Chief on the front of the SD Certified Firefighter Certification Card. After completion of the unit II test along with the completed Certification card a student may then take the SD Certified Firefighter Practical Skill Test (Third Party Evaluation) and pass to receive the Certificate and status of a South Dakota Certified Firefighter.

Students that pass the Unit I and Unit II written test but are not able to perform any performance Competencies or Practical Skill Test, would not meet the level for Certified Firefighter certification, but would be eligible for the SD Fire Ground Support designation.

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The State Fire Marshal’s office will use the Unit I, Unit II written tests and the SD Certified Firefighter Practical Skills evaluation to confirm those students’ training before allowing them certification.

Timeframe to Complete: The State Fire Marshal’s Office allows the students up to a 3 year timeframe in which to complete the SD Certified Firefighter course once they start taking classes. Note: SD Fire Departments may require a quicker timeline for completion of this course for the members under their control. (ATS Online) Access codes are good for one year.

The sections listed below are to be completed for each section before a student can qualify to take the SD Certified Firefighter test. The performance competencies are listed on the back of the students Yellow card.

**PERFORMANCE COMPETENCIES**

**UNIT I**

Given a selection of portable extinguishers, demonstrate extinguishment of an actual incipient stage class A, B, or C fires

Given rope and a 24' ladder, raise and extend ladder and hoist a tool.

Using simulation, force entry through two type of doors, two types of windows and a wall or floor

Horizontally ventilate a building using positive and/or negative pressure ventilation

Connect a fire department pumper to a fire hydrant and operate the hydrant
Connect a fire department pumper to static water supply

Unload and carry hose up a stairway and/or ladder.

UNIT II
While wearing full PPE demonstrate proficiency in the operation of SCBA while conducting a search in a smoke filled or visibility obscured structure. (Smoke machine or simulated IDLH)

Working as a member of a team, extricate a victim from a vehicle

As a member of a firefighting team, in full PPE and SCBA, participate in the control of a live fire.
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