



FIRE 208.4

Fire Fighter I Certification

2019 Curriculum

Test Course



SYLLABUS & COURSE DIRECTIONS

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FIRE FIGHTER I PRACTICE AND CERTIFICATION TEST COURSE

I. Course Description:

This course is designed to provide students the ability to complete the on-line Cognitive and the Psychomotor Skills Certification Tests required by State Fire Training (SFT) based on the 2019 curriculum. The class ***does not*** include any Firefighter I instruction and it is the responsibility of the student to have completed this (including the hour requirements) as identified in the SFT FFI course plan ***prior to attending the course***. The qualifications can be found here [Fire Fighter 1 Certification Training Standards Guide \(2019\)](#).

The curriculum and reference materials used for the cognitive testing will be found in the Course Plans for [FF1A Structural](#), [FF1B Hazmat](#), and [FF1C Wildland](#). For FF1B Hazmat, a 2020 Emergency Response Guide (ERG) will be provided for practice days and day of psychomotor testing. No ERGs are allowed during cognitive testing. Be aware of the [Fire Fighter 1 Course Plan Errata](#) changes to the course curriculums.

Students are expected to be familiar with all FF1A Structural, FF1B, Hazmat and FF1C Wildland evolutions as found on the SFT FFI Skills Sheets located on [SFT Fire Fighter 1](#) webpage under Training, and will be given limited time to practice these skills as identified in the schedule. At the completion of the practice portions, the candidate will be tested as required by SFT [Fire fighter 1 \(2019\) Psychomotor Exam Skills Summary Sheet](#). The random skills selected by SFT will be announced the day of testing.

II. Class Schedule:

The schedule for this course will vary depending upon class size. If few students enroll, it will be delivered in a modular format to coincide with the testing of the fire academy students. If a larger number of students (>10) enroll, the course will be conducted over a six-day period with the cognitive test delivered as scheduled. The skills practice sessions will be followed with skills psychomotor testing. Please note these times are predicated on class sizes over 20 and the actual schedule may be shorter or longer for retests. The proposed schedule for this class is included in the appendix.

Once you are enrolled in the class you will be contacted by Fire Technology Instructor, Linda Collister: lcollister@santarosa.edu.

Skills practice sessions are optional and are provided to allow students to become familiar with SRJC facilities and equipment. There will be an optional orientation date schedule closer to the class start date. Students can visit the campus and familiarize themselves with the equipment.

III. Prerequisites:

This course consists ***only*** of the SFT/IFSAC/Pro-Board Firefighter I Certification Test process. Prior to attending this class, students must complete all FFI training including the hourly requirements found in the SFT FF1 2019 Course Plans. To verify this, you must be able to provide a FFI Certificate or a Fire Academy Completion certificate as well as a copy of your training record including verification of completion of the prerequisites for FF1A, FF1B and FF1C.

The required certification information as found on the [SFT Fire Fighter 1 Certification](#) webpage is required prior to enrollment in the class and will be verified by Administration Assistant, Nikki Soto at: nsoto@santarosa.edu.

Prior to enrolling in Fire208.4, candidates must email Nikki Soto at nsoto@santarosa.edu the prerequisite and any additional required information:

- SFT ID Number
- Mailing Address
- Phone Number
- Date of Birth
- Gender (M/F/Nonbinary)
- A copy of your training record (to ensure that the current training requirements are met, including completion of the prerequisites for FF1A, FF1B, and FF1C)

See appendix for Certification Exam Checklist

IV. Attendance/Late Policy:

Attendance and punctuality for all portions of the class is essential to providing you the time necessary to practice as well as to test to the skills. To adhere to SFT policies, students must display a California Driver's License, or a dept. issued picture ID on the first day of class *which is mandatory to attend*. The *Statement of Understanding* form will be collected at this time if required.

V. Pre-Course Assignments:

Enrollment into Fire 208.4: Complete required application process for eligibility with SRJC Administration Assistant, Nikki Soto at: nsoto@santarosa.edu and receive an add code for Fire 208.4. Enroll in Fire 208.4 through the [Sonoma County Junior College Admissions](#)

Complete the SRJC Waiver: WAIVER, RELEASE & INDEMNITY AGREEMENT, if not sent to Nikki Soto, it will be collected the first day of class.

Required Equipment/PPE: To conduct skills testing, students must possess a NFPA 1971 compliant turn-out ensemble including helmet (with goggles), coat, pants with suspenders, hood, boots, and gloves. All must be in good condition and free from cracks, rips, tears, or other damage. Students must also possess a NFPA 1981 compliant SCBA that has been Fit-Tested to the person using it. Students belonging to a fire agency should use their own department issued PPE/SCBA. A full turn-out ensemble can be rented and must be obtained prior to the first day of class from 911 Safety at www.911SE.com or 610-279-6808.

If you require a SCBA, *under extenuating circumstances*, a limited number are available from the fire program.

If a student does not have Wildland PPE from their agency, a brush helmet, jacket, pants, web-gear (Including practice shelter) and gloves, can be provided by the fire program. All wildland gear must be returned laundered and folded condition prior to receiving a grade/certificate for the class.

VI. Test Procedures:

- A. Cognitive Exam:** The cognitive exam (written test) is taken using laptops provided by the JC. The testing procedures will follow [Fire Fighter 1 and 2 \(2019\) Certification Exam Overview](#) for Fire Fighter 1 certification exam only and not for Fire Fighter 2.
- B. Cognitive Exam Re-take Procedures:** If you fail a specific module by failing to achieve a minimum score of 70%, you will only be allowed to retake that portion of the test (time has been allotted on day seven for re-takes if necessary). SFT policies permit two retakes within a one-year period from the initial cognitive exam module. Third re-takes (if needed) will be scheduled on a case-by-case basis. Please note that in addition to the fee for the initial exam, you will be charged a fee for each re-take as required by SFT testing.
- C. Psychomotor Skills Exam:** Due to the number of skills that must be demonstrated, skills testing will be conducted at individual stations throughout the PSTC training grounds. Skills must be to the SFT Skill Sheets to achieve a passing grade. Students are not permitted to witness those skills performed by other candidates and shall remain in a “Staging” area. As a test station becomes available, students will be dispatched or escorted from the “Staging” area to the test station and remain at that station until they are ready to proceed to the next one. This process will continue until each of the required skills have been performed. During testing, and while waiting in Staging, students are not allowed to have any study materials, Skill Sheets, or other reference materials. This includes hard copy and electric formats.
- D. Psychomotor Skills Exam Re-take Procedures:** If you fail a specific skill, students will be given a second attempt for each skill failed on the same day of the exam. If a failure occurs upon the second attempt, the student may attempt a third time on the next testing day. If the student does not pass the third attempt, they cannot continue in the testing process and will need to participate in a new Skills Exam on a later date. As with the re-take procedures for the cognitive exam, if the candidate fails only a few of the skills, they must retrain only on those module(s) they failed before they can test again.

VII. Completing the FFI Cert Process: Upon successfully completing the class, the student will be given the following documents which it is important you retain:

- A Class Completion certificate
- Signed copies of their *Firefighter I Skills Testing Summary* sheets (completed during testing)

Once all of the testing has been completed, FFI candidates may submit their application following the SFT process: [Fire Fighter 1 \(2019\) Certification Instructions](#) . It is the responsibility of the FFI candidate to complete the process with SFT to get a Fire Fighter 1 Certificate.



Fire 208.4 Fire Fighter 1 Certification Testing Appendix

Sonoma County Junior College District

WAIVER, RELEASE & INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

For and in consideration of permitting the following named person **(participant)**:

_____ (Print name)

to enroll in; and/or participate in the Firefighter I Certification test class (Fire 208.4) of the Sonoma County Junior College District, beginning on the ___ **day of** _____, the undersigned hereby voluntarily releases, discharges, waives and relinquishes any and all actions, or causes of action, for personal injury, property damage or wrongful death occurring to him/herself arising as a result of engaging or receiving instructions in said activity, or any activities incidental thereto, wherever or however the same may occur and continue, and the undersigned does for him/herself, his/her heirs, executors, administrators and assigns hereby release, waive, discharge and relinquish any action or causes of action aforesaid, which may hereafter arise for him/herself and for his/her estate, and agrees that under no circumstances will he/she or his/her heirs, executors, administrators and assigns prosecute, present any claim for personal injury, property damage or wrongful death against the Sonoma County Junior College District or any of its officers, agents or employees for any of said causes of action, whether the same shall arise by the negligence of any of said persons, or otherwise.

It is the intention of (the participant) by this instrument, to exempt and relieve the District from liability for personal injury, property damage or wrongful death caused by negligence.

The undersigned, for him/herself, his/her heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, agrees that in the event any claim for personal injury, property damage or wrongful death shall be prosecuted against the Sonoma County Junior College District, he/she shall indemnify and save harmless the Sonoma County Junior College District from any and claims or causes of action by whomever or wherever made or presented for personal injuries, property damage or wrongful death.

I, the undersigned, have no known medical condition(s) which may pose a risk to the health and safety of me or others by participating in the activity(s). I agree to advise the District in writing of any medical, physical or health condition which may be affected or in any way jeopardized by participating in a specific activity.

I, the undersigned I hereby waive any right to inspect or approve the finished photograph, advertising copy, or printed products that may be used in conjunction therewith, or to the eventual use that it may be applied, including any personal use by my classmates. In connection to the foregoing, I release and hold harmless Santa Rosa Junior College/Public Safety Training Center from all liability. All photos taken by SRJC/PSTC will remain the property of SRJC/PSTC and will not be sold or used by another agency or organization for commercial purposes.

The undersigned acknowledges that he/she has read the foregoing Waiver of Liability Notice, has been fully and completely advised of the potential dangers incidental to engaging/participating in the activity and/or instructing of the above-mentioned, understands he/she is not necessarily covered by Sonoma County Junior College District insurance, and is fully aware of the legal consequences of signing the within instrument.

Signature (Participant)

Date

Print Name

Fire 208.4 Fire Fighter 1 Certification
Practice and Testing Schedule

Certification Exam Checklist

Email the following to nsoto@santarosa.edu prior to class:

- Either Copy of FFI State Certificate, Copy of Fire Academy Cert,
OR Chief Letter
- Copy of Complete Training Record for FF1A, FF1B, and FF1C
- SFT Roster Information:
 - SFT ID Number
 - Mailing Address
 - Phone Number
 - Date of Birth
 - Gender (M/F/Nonbinary)
- COVID vaccination requirements completed