# TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

Control No. 360 Department or Agency Alabama Fire College and Personnel Standards	Commission
Rule No. 360-X-204	
Rule Title: Certified Career Fire Fighter	
New X Amend Repeal Adop	t by Reference
Would the absence of the proposed rule significantly harm or endanger the public health, welfare, or safety?	Yes
Is there a reasonable relationship between the state's police power and the protection of the public health, safety, or welfare?	Yes
Is there another less restrictive method of Regulation available that could adequately protect the public?	No
Does the proposed rule have the effect of directly or indirectly increasing the costs of any goods or services involved and, if so, to what degree?	No
Is the increase in cost, if any, more harmful to the public than the harm that might result from the absence of the proposed rule?	No
Are all facets of the rulemaking process designed solely for the purpose of, and so they have, as their primary effect, the protection of the public?	Yes
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Does the proposed rule have an economic impact?	No
If the proposed rule has an economic impact, the proposed rule is required to be accompanied by a fisc prepared in accordance with subsection (f) of Section 41-22-23, <u>Code of Alabama 1975</u> .	al note
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Certification of Authorized Official	
I certify that the attached proposed rule has been proposed in full compliance with the requirements of 22, Title 41, Code of Alabama 1975, and that it conforms to all applicable filing requirements of the	Chapter
Administrative Procedure Division of the Legislative Reference Service.	
Signature of certifying officer	
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# ALABAMA FIRE COLLEGE AND PERSONNEL STANDARDS COMMISSSION

#### NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME: Alabama Fire College and Personnel Standards Commission

RULE NO. & TITLE: 360-X-2-.01 Certified Basic Fire Fighter

360-X-2-.02 Certified Fire Fighter I 360-X-2-.04 Certified Career Fire Fighter

<u>INTENDED ACTION:</u> Revision to requirements for certification of firefighters and to change titles of certain certifications.

#### SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION:

- 1. Elimination of the title "Certified Volunteer Fire Fighter".
- 2. Establishment of the title "Certified Basic Fire Fighter".
- 3. Modifications to the certification process for Fire Fighter I.
- 4. Elimination of the title "Fire Fighter I/II Bridge Program".
- 5. Establishment of the title "Certified Career Fire Fighter".

<u>TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS</u>: 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 November 30, 2016 through January 17, 2017.

### FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE:

Comments will be accepted until the close of the public hearing on the matter on January 18, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.

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# ALABAMA FIRE COLLEGE AND PERSONNEL STANDARDS COMMISSION ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

# CHAPTER 360-X-2 REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFIED FIREFIGHTER

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# 360-X-2-.04 <u>Certified Career Fire Fighter I/II Bridge</u> Certification Program.

- (1) Requirements
- (a) The candidate must have successfully completed the prescribed requirements for 360-X-2-.01 <u>Certified Basic Fire</u> Fighter or be a Certified Volunteer Fire Fighter.
- (b) The candidate must meet the requirements of the General Regulations and Administrative Procedures 360-X-2-.02.
- (c) The candidate must have on file with the Commission a Physical Statement (AFC & PSC Form-05) from a physician licensed to practice in Alabama.
- (d) The candidate must have verification of successful completion of the Candidate Physical Ability Exam (CPAT).
- [e] If the candidate completed a Certified Basic Fire Fighter or Certified Volunteer Fire Fighter course greater than three (3) years prior to enrollment in the Certified Career Fire Fighter course, the candidate shall successfully complete a Proficiency Assessment, the format and content of which shall be approved by the commission.
- (e) (f) The Certified Career Fire Fighter I/II Bridge Certification Program courses shall be conducted in an academy

format and according to a schedule that is approved by the Commission and which shall include the following elements:

- 1. Instruction and evaluation shall occur in a group setting with at least the required minimum number of students as prescribed in this chapter.
- 2. The course shall be completed within a six month time period.
- 3. Instruction shall predominantly be provided to candidates in-person. Self-paced, correspondence or predominantly distance-delivery instruction is not permitted. In all cases, an approved instructor shall be physically present and responsible for the course.
- 4. Skills evaluation shall be conducted in-person and under the supervision of approved test proctors.
- 5. During periods of instruction or evaluation, candidates shall be engaged solely in the educational process and shall not be subject to emergency response, administrative, maintenance, or other tasks or duties not related to the course.

### (f) (g) Instructor requirements.

1. This course must be taught by an instructor who has been certified by the Commission as having minimum standards for Instructor I certification and other requirements as approved by the Commission.

## (g) (h) Course description.

1. This course consists of specific knowledge and skill objectives as identified in the Alabama Fire College and Personnel Standards Commission Teaching Outline for Certified Career Fire Fighter I/II, current edition.

# (h) (i) Examination.

1. The instructor shall administer to the candidate a written test prepared and distributed to the instructor by the Commission at the end of each subject area of the course. The candidate must perform successfully on each subject area examination.

- 2. The practical skills identified in the Teaching Outline for this level of training should be utilized by the candidate and by the instructor to prepare the candidate to the level required to meet competency standards identified in the Teaching Outline as specified levels of excellence and/or timed evaluations.
- 3. There will be an examination for <u>Certified Career</u> Fire Fighter <del>I/II</del> State Certification provided by the Alabama Fire College and Personnel Standards Commission.
- 4. An overall score of 70% is required for the successful completion of this examination.
- 5. Re-test may be taken after 30 days and within 12 months of the date of course completion.
  - (2) Administration
- (a) Scope. This standard identifies the performance requirements necessary to perform the duties of a  $\frac{\text{Certified Career}}{\text{Fire Fighter } \frac{1}{\text{II}}}$ .
- (b) Purpose. The purpose of this standard is to specify the minimum job performance requirements for a <u>Certified Career</u> Fire Fighter <del>I/II</del>. It is not the intent of this standard to restrict any jurisdiction from exceeding these requirements.
  - (c) General.
- 1. It is not required for the objectives to be mastered in the order they appear.
- The fire fighter shall meet all of the objectives for Certified Career Fire Fighter  $\frac{1}{1}$  before being certified at that level.
- (3) Objectives. The objectives of this standard are based on the ability of the Certified <u>Career</u> Fire Fighter <del>I/II</del> to demonstrate knowledge and skills as outlined in the Alabama Fire College and Personnel Standards Commission Teaching Outline for <u>Certified Career</u> Fire Fighter <del>I/II</del>, current edition.

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Statutory Authority: Code of Ala. 1975, §§36-32-1 - 36-32-12. History: New Rule: Filed April 30, 2007; effective June 4, 2007.

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