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Tennessee Firefighting Personnel Standards and Education Commission

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Rule 0360-01-01-.05 Accreditation is a new rule and shall read:

0360-01-01-.05 Accreditation.

It is the intent of the Commission to be accredited where applicable, in the fire service disciplines for which certificates are offered by the Commission. The Commission will seek and maintain certificate accreditations by the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC) and the National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications (Pro Board) for the purposes of accreditation, professionalism of the fire service, and reciprocity for certification holders.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, 4-24-107, and 4-24-111.

Chapter 0360-01-02
Definitions
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Rule 0360-01-02-.01 Definitions, paragraph (9) is a new paragraph and shall read as follows. The subsequent paragraphs are renumbered accordingly.

- (9) "Certification" shall mean an individual holds a certificate in a fire service or related discipline issued by the Tennessee Firefighting Personnel Standards and Training Commission. Certifications can be standalone state-issued certifications, or accredited certifications.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-01-02-.01 Definitions, paragraph (19) is a new paragraph and shall read as follows. The subsequent paragraphs are renumbered accordingly.

- (19) "Proctor" shall mean an employee or contractor from the Tennessee Firefighting Personnel Standards and Education Commission.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-01-02-.01 Definitions, paragraph (20) is a new paragraph and shall read as follows. The subsequent paragraphs are renumbered accordingly.

- (20) "Evaluator" shall mean an individual who oversees the job tasks performed during the practical examination.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101 and 4-24-107.

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Chapter 0360-03-01 Classifications for Full-Time and Volunteer Fire Fighters is amended by deleting the title in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the chapter title shall read:

Chapter 0360-03-01 Certifications for Full-Time and Volunteer Firefighters.

Authority: T.C.A. § 4-24-101.

Rule 0360-03-01-.02 Fire Fighter I is amended by deleting “Fire Fighter I” from its title and replacing it with “Firefighter I” so that, as amended, the rule title shall read:

0360-03-01-.02 Firefighter I.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, 4-24-107, and 4-24-111.

Rule 0360-03-01-.02 Firefighter I, paragraph (4) is amended by adding, “Hazardous Materials Awareness and Operations Certificates shall be prerequisites to testing for Firefighter I” so that, as amended, paragraph (4) shall read:

- (4) A Fire Fighter I shall submit proof with the application of successfully completing National Incident Management System (NIMS) IS-700: An Introduction and ICS-100: Introduction to ICS training, or the equivalent of each. Hazardous Materials Awareness and Operations Certificates shall be prerequisites to testing for Firefighter I.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, 4-24-107, and 4-24-111.

Rule 0360-03-01-.03 Fire Fighter II is amended by deleting “Fire Fighter II” from its title and replacing it with “Firefighter II” so that, as amended, the rule title shall read:

0360-03-01-.03 Firefighter II.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, 4-24-107, and 4-24-111.

Rule 0360-03-01-.03 Firefighter II, paragraph (1) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (1) shall read:

- (1) Certification for Firefighter I is a prerequisite to certification for Firefighter II. A Firefighter II shall meet the requirements of the performance standards of the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c).

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, 4-24-107, and 4-24-111.

Rule 0360-03-01-.05 Fire Department Instructor I is amended by deleting “Fire Department Instructor I” from its title and replacing it with “Fire & Emergency Services Instructor I” so that, as amended, the rule title shall read:

0360-03-01-.05 Fire & Emergency Services Instructor I.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.05 Fire & Emergency Services Instructor I is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) Qualifications. An applicant for Fire & Emergency Services Instructor I may be certified by the Commission provided the applicant meets the following requirements and demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Commission that the applicant:
 - (a) Is a member of a participating fire department;
 - (b) Is certified as a Firefighter II, Fire & Life Safety Educator II, or Ropes Technician;
 - (c) Has waited a minimum period of thirty-six (36) months from the date of certification for Fire Fighter I, Fire and Life Safety Educator, or Ropes Technician;
 - (d) Has successfully completed a Commission-approved training compliant with performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d); and
 - (e) Has satisfactorily passed the examination(s) for Fire & Emergency Services Instructor I given by the Commission.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.06 Fire Department Instructor II is amended by deleting “Fire Department Instructor II” from its title and replacing it with “Fire & Emergency Services Instructor II” so that, as amended, the rule title shall read:

0360-03-01-.06 Fire & Emergency Services Instructor II.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.06 Fire & Emergency Services Instructor II is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) Qualifications. An applicant for Fire & Emergency Services Instructor II may be certified by the Commission provided the applicant meets the following requirements and demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Commission that he/she:
 - (a) Has successfully completed all of the requirements of the Fire & Emergency Services Instructor I, including any required testing event, as prescribed in Commission rules, regulations, and policies;
 - (b) Has successfully completed a Commission-approved training compliant with performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d);
 - (c) Has satisfactorily passed the examination(s) for Fire & Emergency Services Instructor II given by the Commission; and
 - (d) Agrees to conduct training and examinations, maintain records, and submit reports in a manner prescribed by the Commission.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.08 Fire Department Instructor III is amended by deleting “Fire Department Instructor II” from its title and replacing it with “Fire & Emergency Services Instructor III” so that, as amended, the rule title shall read:

0360-03-01-.08 Fire & Emergency Services Instructor III.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.08 Fire & Emergency Services Instructor III is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) Qualifications. An applicant for Fire & Emergency Services Instructor III may be certified by the Commission provided the applicant meets the following requirements and demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Commission that he/she:
 - (a) Has successfully completed all of the requirements of Fire & Emergency Services Instructor II, including any required testing event, as prescribed in Commission rules, regulations, and policies;
 - (b) Has successfully completed a Commission-approved training compliant with performance standards of NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d);
 - (c) Has satisfactorily passed the examination(s) for Fire & Emergency Services Instructor III given by the Commission; and
 - (d) Agrees to conduct training and examination(s), maintain records, and submit reports as prescribed by the Commission.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.09 Fire Officer I, paragraph (1) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (1) shall read:

- (1) A Fire Officer I shall successfully complete the requirements of Fire Fighter II and Fire & Emergency Services Instructor I, including any required testing event, as prescribed in Commission rules, regulations, and policies.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, 4-24-107, and 4-24-111.

Rule 0360-03-01-.09 Fire Officer I, paragraph (2) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (2) shall read:

- (2) A Fire Officer I shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training compliant with performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d).

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, 4-24-107, and 4-24-111.

Rule 0360-03-01-.10 Fire Officer II, paragraph (2) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (2) shall read:

- (2) A Fire Officer II shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training compliant with performance standards of the as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d).

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, 4-24-107, and 4-24-111.

Rule 0360-03-01-.12 Fire Officer III, paragraph (2) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (2) shall read:

- (2) A Fire Officer III shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training compliant with performance standards of the as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d).

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.13 Fire Officer IV, paragraph (2) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (2) shall read:

- (2) A Fire Officer IV shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training compliant with performance standards of the as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d).

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.14 Hazardous Materials Awareness Certification is amended by deleting the word “Certification” from its title so that, as amended, the rule title shall read:

0360-03-01-.14 Hazardous Materials Awareness.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.14 Hazardous Materials Awareness is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) A candidate for Hazardous Materials Awareness shall successfully complete all requirements of Hazardous Materials Awareness, including any required testing event, as prescribed in Commission rules, regulations, and policies.
- (2) A candidate for Hazardous Materials Awareness shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training compliant with performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(a).
- (3) A candidate for Hazardous Materials Awareness shall successfully pass the examination(s) for Hazardous Materials Awareness as promulgated by the Commission.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.15 Hazardous Materials Operations Certification is amended by deleting the word “Certification” from its title so that, as amended, the rule title shall read:

0360-03-01-.15 Hazardous Materials Operations.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.15 Hazardous Materials Operations is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) A candidate for Hazardous Materials Operations shall successfully complete all requirements of Hazardous Materials Awareness, including any required testing event, as prescribed in Commission rules, regulations, and policies.
- (2) A candidate for Hazardous Materials Operations shall successfully pass the examination(s) for Hazardous Materials Operations as promulgated by the Commission. This examination shall also include Hazardous Materials Mission Specific Personal Protective Equipment and Hazardous Materials Mission Specific Product Control.
- (3) A candidate for Hazardous Materials Operations shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training compliant with performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(a).
- (4) This level may be taken at the same time as Hazardous Materials Awareness. If the candidate does not successfully pass the examination for Hazardous Materials Awareness, the examination for Hazardous Materials Operations shall not be graded and shall be discarded. The candidate shall be required to take both examinations again.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.17 Wildland Firefighter I, paragraph (2) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (2) shall read:

- (2) A Wildland Firefighter I shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training compliant with performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(g).

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-106, 4-24-107, and 4-24-110.

Rule 0360-03-01-.18 Wildland Firefighter II, paragraph (2) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (2) shall read:

- (2) A Wildland Firefighter II shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training compliant with performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(g).

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.19 Fire and Life Safety Educator I, paragraph (2) is a new paragraph and shall read:

- (2) A Fire and Life Safety Educator I shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training compliant with performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(i).

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.20 Fire and Life Safety Educator II is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) A Fire and Life Safety Educator II shall successfully complete all of the requirements for Fire and Life Safety Educator I, including any required testing event, as prescribed in Commission rules, regulations, and policies.
- (2) A Fire and Life Safety Educator II shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training compliant with performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(i).
- (3) A Fire and Life Safety Educator II must successfully pass the examination(s) for Fire and Life Safety Educator II as promulgated by the Commission.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.24 Pumper Driver/Operator, paragraph (3) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (3) shall read:

- (3) A Pumper Driver/Operator shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training compliant with performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c).

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.24 Pumper Driver/Operator, paragraph (4) is a new paragraph and shall read:

- (4) Successful completion of the Commission tests for General Driver/Operator Knowledge and Pumps is a pre-requisite to test for Pumper Driver/Operator.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.25 Aerial Apparatus Driver/Operator, paragraph (3) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (3) shall read:

- (3) An Aerial Apparatus Driver/Operator shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training compliant with performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c).

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.25 Aerial Apparatus Driver/Operator, paragraph (4) is a new paragraph and shall read:

- (4) Successful completion of the Commission tests for General Driver/Operator Knowledge and Pumps is a pre-requisite to test for Aerial Apparatus Driver/Operator.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.27 Incident Safety Officer, paragraph (2) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (2) shall read:

- (2) An Incident Safety Officer shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training compliant with performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(j).

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.28 Health & Safety Officer, paragraph (2) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (2) shall read:

- (2) A Health and Safety Officer shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training compliant with performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(j).

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.30 Rope Awareness, paragraph (2) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (2) shall read:

- (2) An applicant for Rope Awareness shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training compliant with performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(b).

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.30 Rope Awareness, paragraph (4) is a new paragraph and shall read:

- (4) A Hazardous Materials Awareness course completion and first-aid training are pre-requisites to this certification.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.31 Rope Operations is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) An applicant for Rope Operations shall successfully complete the requirements of Rope Awareness, including any required testing event, as prescribed in Commission rules, regulations, and policies.
- (2) An applicant for Rope Operations shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training compliant with performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(b).
- (3) An applicant for Rope Operations shall pass the examination(s) for Rope Operations as promulgated by the Commission.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.32 Rope Technician is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) An applicant for Rope Technician shall successfully complete the requirements of Rope Operations, including any required testing event, as prescribed in Commission rules, regulations, and policies.
- (2) An applicant for Rope Technician shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training compliant with performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(b).
- (3) An applicant for Rope Technician shall pass the examination(s) for Rope Technician as promulgated by the Commission.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.48 Fire Inspector I is amended by deleting the roman numeral "I" from its title so that, as amended, the rule title shall read:

0360-03-01-.48 Fire Inspector.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.48 Fire Inspector is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) A Fire Inspector shall have successfully completed the requirements for Hazardous Materials Awareness Certification.
- (2) A Fire Inspector shall successfully complete the requirements for Fire Inspector as prescribed in the performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(e), and Commission rules, regulations, and policy.
- (3) A Fire Inspector shall complete a Commission-approved training and successfully pass the examination(s) for Fire Inspector as promulgated by the Commission.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.51 Fire Investigator I is amended by deleting the roman numeral "I" from its title so that, as amended, the rule title shall read:

0360-03-01-.51 Fire Investigator.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.51 Fire Investigator is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) A Fire Investigator shall successfully complete all of the requirements for Fire Investigator as prescribed in the performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(f), and Commission rules, regulations and policies.
- (2) A Fire Investigator shall complete a Commission-approved training and successfully pass the examination(s) for Fire Investigator as promulgated by the Commission.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.52 Hazardous Materials Technician is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) A Hazardous Materials Technician shall successfully complete all requirements for Hazardous Materials Awareness Certification and Hazardous Materials Operations Certification as prescribed in the performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(a), and Commission rules, regulations and policies.
- (2) A Hazardous Materials Technician shall successfully complete all requirements for Hazardous Materials Technician as prescribed in the performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(a), and Commission rules, regulations and policies.
- (3) A Hazardous Materials Technician shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training and satisfactorily pass the examination(s) for Hazardous Materials Technician as promulgated by the Commission.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.53 Hazardous Materials Incident Commander is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) A Hazardous Materials Incident Commander shall successfully complete all requirements for Hazardous Materials Technician as prescribed in the performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(a), and Commission rules, regulations and policies.
- (2) A Hazardous Materials Incident Commander shall successfully complete all requirements for Hazardous Materials Incident Commander as prescribed in the performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(a), and Commission rules, regulations and policies.
- (3) A Hazardous Materials Incident Commander shall complete a Commission-approved training and satisfactorily pass the examination(s) for Hazardous Materials Incident Commander as promulgated by the Commission.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.54 Plans Examiner is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) A Plans Examiner shall successfully complete the requirements for Plans Examiner as prescribed in the performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(e), including any required testing event, and Commission rules, regulations, and policies.
- (2) A Plans Examiner shall complete a Commission-approved training.
- (3) A Plans Examiner shall successfully pass the examination(s) for Plans Examiner as promulgated by the Commission.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.56 Fire Marshal is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) A Fire Marshal shall successfully complete all of the requirements for Fire Marshal as prescribed in the performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(e), and Commission rules, regulations and policies.
- (2) A Fire Marshal shall complete a Commission-approved training.
- (3) A Fire Marshal shall successfully pass the examination(s) for Fire Marshal as promulgated by the Commission.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.57 Aircraft Rescue Firefighting (ARFF) Driver/Operator is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) An Aircraft Rescue Firefighting (ARFF) Driver/Operator shall successfully complete the requirements for Fire Fighter II, Aircraft Rescue Firefighting (ARFF) Driver/Operator, Airport Firefighter, the performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c), including any required testing event, and Commission rules, regulations, and policies.
- (2) An Aircraft Rescue Firefighting (ARFF) Driver/Operator shall complete a Commission-approved training.
- (3) An Aircraft Rescue Firefighting (ARFF) Driver/Operator shall successfully pass the examination(s) for Aircraft Rescue Firefighting (ARFF) Driver/Operator as promulgated by the Commission.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Chapter 0360-03-01
Classifications for Full-Time and Volunteer Fire Fighters
Repealed

Rule 0360-03-01-.23 Fire Apparatus Operator is repealed in its entirety.

0360-03-01-.23 Repealed.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.46 Exterior Industrial Fire Brigade Member is repealed in its entirety.

0360-03-01-.46 Repealed.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.47 Interior Structural Fire Brigade Member is repealed in its entirety.

0360-03-01-.47 Repealed.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Chapter 0360-04-01
Examinations
Amendments

Rule 0360-04-01-.01 General, paragraph (1) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (1) shall read:

- (1) Any required practical, written test, or other required testing event shall be based on the performance standards for the appropriate progression level as set forth in these rules and regulations and meet or exceed all applicable National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standards as set out in Rules 0360-06-01-.01(1)(a)-(j). All practicals and written examinations will be given at a location reasonably proximate to local fire departments to make it as convenient as possible for applicants.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.01 General, paragraph (7) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (7) shall read:

- (7) Applicants shall have twelve (12) months from the initial test date to complete any required practical, written test, or other required testing event.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.02 Applications is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) Any fire department electing to host an examination shall contact the Commission office or its representative to schedule an examination date. Prior to the time of the examination, each individual applicant shall have a completed application submitted with appropriate documentation of necessary prerequisites.
 - (a) Applications for testing events must be received by the Commission a minimum of five (5) working days before any anticipated examination date.
 1. Candidate Registration Deadline: Each candidate must submit their registration for the desired testing event no later than the end of the day, five (5) working days

prior to the scheduled event.

2. Supporting Documentation Deadline: Training providers and sponsoring agencies must submit all required supporting documentation prior to the testing event, and no later than five (5) working days before the scheduled event, unless the course is designed to conclude with a testing event. In such cases, supporting documentation (Course Completions) must be submitted on the same day that the testing occurs.
 3. Exception - End-of-Class Testing Events: When a testing event is scheduled to occur immediately following the conclusion of a training class, the five (5) day registration deadline does not apply. Instead, candidate registration must submit to the Commission no later than the first day of the class. The testing event must be pre-scheduled and approved by the Commission in advance for this exception to apply.
 4. Responsibility of Training Providers: It is the responsibility of the training provider or sponsoring agency to ensure that all candidate registrations and required documentation are submitted by the applicable deadlines. Candidates who do not meet these requirements will be deemed ineligible to test.
 5. Extraordinary Exceptions: Additional exceptions may be granted only under extraordinary circumstances, and must receive prior written approval from the Executive Director of the Commission.
- (b) The Commission office shall schedule the examination date based upon requested examinations and availability of proctors.
 - (c) This examination date shall be open to other applicants unless prior approval of the Director for a closed examination has been obtained.
 - (d) The Commission representative shall administer the examination on the examination date. At the end of the examination, the Commission representative shall collect all examination materials and answer sheets and send them to the Commission for grading.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.03 Character of Examinations is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) All commission testing shall be in accordance with the appropriate adopted NFPA standards referenced in Chapter 0360-06-01 and in accordance with the rules of the accrediting body/bodies.
- (2) Any required practical, written test, or other required testing event shall meet the job performance requirements for the tested standard and shall be used to determine the ability, manual skills, and leadership of the applicant to perform the work at a particular progression level.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.04 Grading is amended by adding a new paragraph (3) so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) Written - The Commission shall prepare exams with the identified correct answer to each question. Commission office personnel will be responsible for the grading of each examination. A passing grade shall be seventy percent (70%) on the examination.
 - (a) Disputes over the validity of any question(s), but no more than five (5), on the Commission's examinations shall be submitted to the Commission, in writing, on the back of the answer sheet or on a blank sheet of paper used during the examination. The disputed questions shall be submitted by the student prior to leaving the test event. The student must clearly state the nature of the dispute for each question.

- (b) The Commission's Executive Director and Accreditation Manager shall review the disputed question(s) and render a final decision on the disputed questions.
- (2) Practical - The Commission shall designate a qualified individual to conduct the practical examinations. The Commission shall require that each examinee perform these activities and grade that performance on a pass or fail basis.
- (3) Other Evaluation Methods and/or Justifiable Methodology – In addition to the written examination, the Commission has approved that the practical examination for Fire Officer I, Fire Officer II, Fire Officer III, Fire Officer IV, Incident Safety Officer, Fire Department Instructor II, Fire Life Safety Educator I, Fire Life Safety Educator II, and Fire Inspector be administered via a project or Product Assessment Methodology.
 - (a) The respective Grand Division Coordinator will serve as the Proctor for these practical examinations.
 - (b) Students are to submit a request in advance through the Commission approved records management system. The Proctor will then provide the assignment(s)/scenario(s) to the student for completion.
 - (c) The student will submit the completed assignment(s)/scenario(s) to the Proctor through the Commission approved records management system to be graded in accordance with the Commission approved rubric.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.05 Retesting is amended by deleting "initial" and replacing it with "most recent" so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

An applicant may not retake the examination until at least fifteen (15) days after the most recent examination.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.06 Examination Form is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) Examinations will generally consist of a practical and a written examination. In some cases, additional or alternative requirements may exist, in a specific discipline. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards.
 - (a) The practical examination requirements for Fire Fighter I shall consist of all of the following:
 - 1. The performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c)&(h).
 - 2. A live burn practical examination shall be completed from one (1) of the following options:
 - (i) Successful completion of the Tennessee Fire Service and Codes Enforcement Academy's Fire Fighter I Live Burn course or Fire Fighter I and II Live Burn course. A Live Burn Suppression Verification Form shall be completed and attached/uploaded to the "Application for Written Examination"; or
 - (ii) Successful completion of the live burn objectives of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c) for Fire Fighter I during a live burn training. All of the exercises listed on the Live Burn Suppression Verification Sheet for the appropriate level shall be completed through the local fire

department's training program in compliance with the standards and requirements as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(h). A Live Burn Suppression Verification Form shall be completed and attached to the "Application for Written Examination." The fire department shall provide the Commission with a minimum of fourteen (14) working days' notice by submitting an Application for Live Burn Training. A Commission or staff member may witness any live burn exercises conducted by a fire department. This option shall be completed during a training exercise; no working fires shall be utilized for this option.

- (b) An applicant shall obtain a Fire Fighter I certification within one hundred twenty (120) months of completing a live burn practical examination. After one hundred twenty (120) months, successful completion of an additional live burn practical examination shall be required in order to obtain a Fire Fighter I certification.
- (2) The examination for Fire Fighter II shall consist of a practical and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the relevant certification as the adopted in NFPA standards.
 - (a) The practical examination requirements for Fire Fighter II shall consist of all the following:
 - 1. The performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c).
 - 2. A live burn practical examination shall be completed from one (1) of the following options:
 - (i) Successful completion of the Tennessee Fire Service and Codes Enforcement Academy's Fire Fighter II Live Burn course or Fire Fighter I and II Live Burn course. A Live Burn Suppression Verification Form shall be completed and attached/uploaded to the "Application for Written Examination"; or
 - (ii) Successful completion of the live burn objectives in of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c) for Fire Fighter II during a live burn training. All of the exercises listed on the Live Burn Suppression Verification Sheet for the appropriate level shall be completed through the local fire department's training program in compliance with the standards and requirements as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(h). A Live Burn Suppression Verification Form shall be completed and attached to the "Application for Written Examination." The fire department shall provide the Commission with a minimum of fourteen (14) working days' notice by submitting an Application for Live Burn Training. A Commission or staff member may witness any live burn exercises conducted by a fire department. This option shall be completed during a training exercise; no working fires shall be utilized for this option.
 - (b) Live burn practical examinations, as part of the Fire Fighter II performance examination requirements, shall be based upon the current standard as adopted by reference in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c).
 - (c) An applicant shall obtain a Fire Fighter II certification within one hundred twenty (120) months of successfully completing a live burn practical examination. After one hundred twenty (120) months, successful completion of an additional live burn practical examination shall be required in order to obtain a Fire Fighter II certification.
- (3) Every Commission certification recipient shall have completed a Commission-approved course that includes the required practical, written test, or other required testing event substantially derived from the performance standards of that certification as referenced in Chapter 0360-06-01.
- (4) The examination for Fire Department Instructor I shall consist of a practical examination and a

written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Fire Department Instructor I as set forth in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d). Any applicant challenging the Fire Department Instructor I written examination shall complete the Fire Department Instructor I Practical Skills Checklist provided by the Commission. This practical is to be graded by an individual certified by the Tennessee Commission on Fire Fighting as either a Fire Department Instructor I or a Vocational and Higher Education Instructor. A completed copy of the checklist shall be attached to the "Application for Written Examination."

- (5) The examination for Fire Department Instructor II shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Fire Department Instructor II as set forth in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d). The practical examination for the Fire Department Instructor II shall consist of completing a prescribed Fire Department Instructor II workbook meeting the current standard.
- (6) The examination for Fire Department Instructor III shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested will be substantially derived from the performance standards for Fire Department Instructor III as set forth in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d).
- (7) The examination for Fire Officer I shall consist of a required practical examination and/or project and a written examination. The subjects tested will be substantially derived from the performance standards for Fire Officer I as set forth in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d). The practical examination for Fire Officer I shall consist of completing projects which shall be administered by the Commission in conjunction with written examinations. The practical requirement shall be completion of two (2) projects assigned to the applicant at random which are derived from performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d). These projects will be graded by designated Commission representatives.
- (8) The examination for Fire Officer II shall consist of a required practical examination and/or project and a written examination. The subjects tested will be substantially derived from the performance standards for Fire Officer II as set forth in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d). The practical examination for Fire Officer II shall consist of completing a project based on performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d) for Fire Officer II. The project may be obtained from the Commission. This project will be graded by the Commission.
- (9) The examination for Fire Officer III shall consist of a required practical examination and/or project and a written examination. The subjects tested will be substantially derived from the performance standards for Fire Officer III as set forth in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d). The practical examination for Fire Officer III shall consist of completing a project based on performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d) for Fire Officer III. The project may be obtained from the Commission. This project will be graded by the Commission.
- (10) The examination for Fire Officer IV shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Fire Officer IV as set forth in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d). An applicant shall successfully complete the practical examination for Fire Officer IV as promulgated by the Commission utilizing the standards outlined in performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d).
- (11) The examination for Hazardous Materials Awareness shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Hazardous Materials Awareness as set forth in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(a).
 - (a) The practical examination for Hazardous Materials Awareness may be part of the Fire Fighter I practical or administered separately and shall be based upon performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(a).
 - (b) The written examination for Hazardous Materials Awareness may be administered in conjunction with the Hazardous Materials Operations Certification written examination or may be administered separately.
- (12) The examination for Hazardous Materials Operations shall consist of a practical examination and

a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Hazardous Materials Operations as set forth in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(a).

- (a) The practical examination for Hazardous Materials Operations may be part of the Fire Fighter I practical or administered separately and shall be based upon performance standards of NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(a).
 - (b) The written examination for Hazardous Materials Operations may be administered in conjunction with the Hazardous Materials Awareness Certification written examination or may be administered separately.
- (13) The examination for Airport Firefighter shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Airport Firefighter as set forth in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c). The practical examination requirements for Airport Firefighter shall consist of all the following:
 - (a) A practical examination administered on a regional basis. This practical examination shall be developed by the Commission based on performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c).
 - (b) A live burn practical examination shall be completed. All of the exercises listed on the Airport Live Burn Suppression Verification Sheet for the appropriate level shall be completed through the local airport fire department's training program in compliance with the standards and requirements as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(h). An Airport Live Burn Suppression Verification Form shall be completed and attached to the "Application for Written Examination." The fire department shall provide the Commission with a minimum of seventy-two (72) hours prior notification of live burn exercises. A Commission member or staff may witness any live burn exercises conducted by a fire department. This shall be completed during a training exercise; no working fires may be utilized.
- (14) The examination for Wildland Firefighter I shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Wildland Firefighter I as set forth in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(g). The practical examination for Wildland Firefighter I shall consist of one (1) of the following:
 - (a) Completion of a practical examination based upon performance standards of the NFPA out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(g); or
 - (b) Completion of the "Task Book for the Position of Firefighter Type 2" offered by the Tennessee Division of Forestry.
- (15) The examination for Wildland Firefighter II shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Wildland Firefighter II as set forth in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(g). The practical examination for Wildland Firefighter II shall consist of one (1) of the following:
 - (a) Completion of a practical examination based upon performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(g); or
 - (b) Completion of the "Task Book for the Position of Advanced Firefighter/Squad Boss" offered by the Tennessee Division of Forestry.
- (16) The examination for Fire and Life Safety Educator I shall consist of a required practical examination and/or project and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Fire and Life Safety Educator I as set forth in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(e). The practical examination for Fire and Life Safety Educator I shall consist of completing a project based upon performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(e) and returning it to the Commission for grading. The project may be obtained from the Commission.
- (17) The examination for Fire and Life Safety Educator II shall consist of a required practical examination

and/or project and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Fire and Life Safety Educator II as set forth in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(e). The practical examination for Fire and Life Safety Educator II shall consist of completing a project based upon performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(e) and returning it to the Commission for grading. The project may be obtained from the Commission.

- (18) The examination for Fire Apparatus Operator shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Fire Apparatus Operator as set forth in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c). The applicant shall complete a practical examination promulgated by the Commission utilizing the standards outlined in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c). In order to sit for the test before completing the prerequisite courses for this level, the applicant shall perform the evolutions on both pumper and aerial apparatus equipment.
- (19) The examination for Pumper Driver/Operator shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Pumper Driver/Operator as set forth in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c). The applicant shall complete a practical examination promulgated by the Commission utilizing performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c).
- (20) The examination for Aerial Apparatus Driver/Operator shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Aerial Apparatus Driver/Operator as set forth in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c). The applicant shall complete a practical examination promulgated by the Commission utilizing performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c).
- (21) The examination for Incident Safety Officer shall consist of a required practical examination and/or project and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Incident Safety Officer as set forth in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(j). The practical examination for Incident Safety Officer shall be the completion of a written project of the Incident Safety Officer's role, duties, and responsibilities in accordance with performance standards of NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(j), OSHA, and other standards given an incident scenario provided by the Commission. The applicant will be provided the incident scenario in a written examination setting.
- (22) The examination for Health and Safety Officer shall consist of a required practical examination and/or project and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Health and Safety Officer as set forth in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(j). The practical examination for Health and Safety Officer shall be the completion of a written outline of the Health and Safety Officer's role, duties, and responsibilities in accordance with performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(j), OSHA, and other standards given an incident scenario provided by the Commission. The applicant will be provided the incident scenario in a written examination setting.
- (23) The examination for Rope Awareness shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Rope Awareness as set forth in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(b). The applicant shall complete a practical examination promulgated by the Commission utilizing performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(b).
- (24) The examination for Rope Operations shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Rope Operations as set forth in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(b). The applicant shall complete a practical examination promulgated by the Commission utilizing performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(b).
- (25) The examination for Rope Technician shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Rope Technician as set forth in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(b).
- (26) The examination for Fire Inspector shall consist of a practical examination and a written

examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Fire Inspector as set forth in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(e). The applicant shall complete a practical examination promulgated by the Commission utilizing performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(e).

- (27) The examination for Fire Investigator shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Fire Investigator as set forth in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(f). The applicant shall complete a practical examination promulgated by the Commission utilizing performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(f).
- (28) The examination for Hazardous Materials Technician shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Hazardous Materials Technician as set forth in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(a). The applicant shall complete a practical examination promulgated by the Commission utilizing performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(a).
- (29) The examination for Hazardous Materials Incident Commander shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Hazardous Materials Incident Commander as set forth in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(a). The applicant shall complete a practical examination promulgated by the Commission utilizing performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(a).
- (30) The examination for Plans Reviewer shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Plans Reviewer as set forth in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(e). The applicant shall complete a practical examination promulgated by the Commission utilizing performance standards of NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(e).
- (31) The examination for Fire Marshal shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Fire Marshal as set forth in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(e). The applicant shall complete a practical examination promulgated by the Commission utilizing performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(e).
- (32) The examination for Aircraft Rescue Firefighting (ARFF) Driver/Operator shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Aircraft Rescue Firefighting (ARFF) Driver/Operator as set forth in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c). The applicant shall complete a practical examination promulgated by the Commission utilizing performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c).

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, 4-24-107, and 4-24-110.

Rule 0360-04-01-.08 Written Examinations is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) Written examinations shall be scheduled and conducted by the Commission office or representative.
- (2) The Commission representative shall ensure that the site meets any established requirements prior to the start of the written examination.
- (3) A minimum of five (5) applicants shall be scheduled in order to conduct a written examination. This is at the discretion of the commission director and if time and resources allow the test to be administrated for a lower number of applicants, the commission director may approve a testing event accordingly.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.09 Practical Examinations, paragraph (1) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (1) shall read:

- (1) One department may administer a practical examination to another participating department and/or may enroll students from another department in a course provided the following conditions are met:
 - (a) The administering department's practical examination has been approved by the Commission;
 - (b) An evaluator who has completed the Commission's evaluator course will administer the practical examination;
 - (c) Both departments have agreed to allow the applicant(s) to utilize the administering department's practical examination; and
 - (d) Proof of successful completion of the practical examination is sent to the applicant's department and placed on file.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.09 Practical Examinations, paragraph (3), subparagraph (a) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, subparagraph (a) shall read:

- (a) For practical or live burn practical examinations, compliance with 29 CFR 1910.134, Respiratory Protection Standards, is required. Appropriate documentation shall include the signature of the Fire Chief from the applicant's sponsoring fire department.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.09 Practical Examinations, paragraph (3), subparagraph (c) is amended by deleting "Tennessee State Fire Commission Certification" and replacing it with "Tennessee Firefighting Personnel Standards and Education Commission certification" so that, as amended, subparagraph (c) shall read:

- (c) Applicants for Tennessee Firefighting Personnel Standards and Education Commission certification in Fire Fighter I or II practical examinations or live burn practical examinations, who have beards or facial hair in the area of the SCBA face piece seal (examples may include, but not be limited to: full-face beards, muttonchops, goatees, sideburns, mustaches, or even a few days growth of stubble) shall not be allowed to participate in the practical examination if the facial hair between the wearer's skin and the sealing surfaces of the face piece prevents a good seal with the respirator. A firefighter shall not enter an area in which it has been determined that respirator protection is necessary when conditions prevent a good seal of the respirator face piece to the face. This provision shall be enforced regardless of the live burn skills being tested at any site. No exceptions to this provision shall be granted. This provision is in conjunction with 29 CFR 1910.134 Respiratory Protection Standard.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.09 Practical Examinations, paragraph (3), subparagraph (d) is amended by deleting "Eye glasses" and replacing it with "Eyeglasses" so that, as amended, subparagraph (d) shall read:

- (d) Ordinary eyeglasses shall not be used with full face piece respirators. Eyeglasses with temple bars or straps that pass between the sealing surface of a full face piece and the firefighter's face will prevent a good seal. Special spectacle kits may be ordered and mounted inside a full face piece respirator, but will not be provided.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.09 Practical Examinations, paragraph (4), subparagraph (b) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, subparagraph (b) shall read:

- (b) Evaluators shall be certified by the Commission at a minimum of Fire Instructor I and also must hold the certification for the practical being evaluated for one (1) year prior to performing an evaluation for that level of certification.
 - 1. Fire Instructor II practical examinations must be evaluated by individuals having held Fire Instructor II for one (1) year prior to evaluating that practical.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.09 Practical Examinations, paragraph (4), subparagraph (c) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, subparagraph (c) shall read:

- (c) Evaluators must complete a Commission-approved course before being allowed to serve as an Evaluator. The Evaluator training and course may be available online over the Internet.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.09 Practical Examinations, paragraph (5), subparagraph (b) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, subparagraph (b) shall read:

- (b) Be able to provide required equipment for the examination, excluding the equipment each applicant shall provide in accordance with Commission rules;

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.09 Practical Examinations, paragraph (5), subparagraph (d) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, subparagraph (d) shall read:

- (d) Provide a minimum of three (3) evaluators who are certified by the Commission at a minimum, the certification level for which they are evaluating, and preferably who are certified at the Fire Department Instructor I level;

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.09 Practical Examinations, paragraph (6) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (6) shall read:

- (6) All instructors, evaluators, and approved applicants who participate in a live burn practical shall meet the requirements of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(i). Written documentation of completion of this training shall be kept on file by the fire department and shall be subject to audit by the Commission. All Commission requirements for Live Burn Practical Examinations shall be completed.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.09 Practical Examinations, paragraph (9), subparagraph (c) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, subparagraph (c) shall read:

- (c) Live Burn Practical examination sites will be established by the Commission representatives in conjunction with a fire department's ability to host these types of practical examinations which shall be NFPA 1010 and NFPA 1403 compliant as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c) and (h).

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.09 Practical Examinations, paragraph (9), subparagraph (e) is amended by deleting the word “seminar” and replacing it with “course” so that, as amended, subparagraph (e) shall read:

- (e) The Commission representative shall conduct a training course for evaluators prior to each practical examination to ensure the evaluators understand examination procedures, grading procedures, performance criteria, and instructions on completing required paperwork. The Commission shall provide the Commission representative with documents to be utilized during this training. Any evaluator who fails to attend this training shall not be allowed to serve as an evaluator.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.09 Practical Examinations, paragraph (9), subparagraph (f) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, subparagraph (f) shall read:

- (f) Applications to sit for the practical examination before completing the course prerequisites shall be submitted to the Commission subject to the following parameters:
 - 1. A minimum of five (5) applicants shall be scheduled in order to conduct the practical examinations. This is at the discretion of the commission director and if time and resources allow the test to be administrated for a lower number of applicants, the commission director may approve a testing event accordingly. A maximum of fifty (50) applicants may be tested per day; a minimum of two (2) rooms shall be available to administer the practical examination.
 - 2. Candidate Registration Deadline: Each candidate must submit their registration for the desired testing event no later than the end of the day, five (5) working days prior to the scheduled event.
 - 3. Supporting Documentation Deadline: Training providers and sponsoring agencies must submit all required supporting documentation prior to the testing event, and no later than five (5) working days before the scheduled event, unless the course is designed to conclude with a testing event. In such cases, supporting documentation (Course Completions) must be submitted on the same day that the testing occurs.
 - 4. Responsibility of Training Providers: It is the responsibility of the training provider or sponsoring agency to ensure that all candidate registrations and required documentation are submitted by the applicable deadlines. Candidates who do not meet these requirements will be deemed ineligible to test.
 - 5. Exception - End-of-Class Testing Events: When a testing event is scheduled to occur immediately following the conclusion of a training class, the five (5) day registration deadline does not apply. Instead, candidate registration must submit to the Commission no later than the first day of the class. The testing event must be pre-scheduled and approved by the Commission in advance for this exception to apply.
 - 6. Extraordinary Exceptions: Additional exceptions may be granted only under extraordinary circumstances, and must receive prior written approval from the Executive Director of the Commission.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.09 Practical Examinations, paragraph (9), subparagraph (s) is amended by deleting the word “adopt” and replacing it with “adapt” so that, as amended, subparagraph (s) shall read:

- (s) The Commission representative shall have the authority to adapt these guidelines to address specific life safety problems as they arise.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.09 Practical Examinations, paragraph (9), subparagraph (h) is deleted in its entirety.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

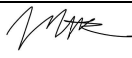
Rule 0360-04-01-.09 Practical Examinations, paragraph (1) is a new paragraph and shall read as follows. The subsequent paragraphs are renumbered accordingly.

- (1) Practical examinations for a certification level must test at least 10% of all applicable job performance requirements, or five (5) job performance requirements, whichever is greater.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

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Rule 0360-01-01-.05 Accreditation is a new rule and shall read:

[0360-01-01-.05 Accreditation.](#)

[It is the intent of the Commission to be accredited where applicable, in the fire service disciplines for which certificates are offered by the Commission. The Commission will seek and maintain certificate accreditations by the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress \(IFSAC\) and the National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications \(Pro Board\) for the purposes of accreditation, professionalism of the fire service, and reciprocity for certification holders.](#)

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, 4-24-107, and 4-24-111.

Chapter 0360-01-02
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Rule 0360-01-02-.01 Definitions, paragraph (9) is a new paragraph and shall read as follows. The subsequent paragraphs are renumbered accordingly.

- [\(9\)](#) [“Certification” shall mean an individual holds a certificate in a fire service or related discipline issued by the Tennessee Firefighting Personnel Standards and Training Commission. Certifications can be standalone state-issued certifications, or accredited certifications.](#)

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-01-02-.01 Definitions, paragraph (19) is a new paragraph and shall read as follows. The subsequent paragraphs are renumbered accordingly.

- [\(19\)](#) [“Proctor” shall mean an employee or contractor from the Tennessee Firefighting Personnel Standards and Education Commission.](#)

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-01-02-.01 Definitions, paragraph (20) is a new paragraph and shall read as follows. The subsequent paragraphs are renumbered accordingly.

- [\(20\)](#) [“Evaluator” shall mean an individual who oversees the job tasks performed during the practical examination.](#)

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101 and 4-24-107.

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Chapter 0360-03-01 Classifications for Full-Time and Volunteer Fire Fighters is amended by deleting the title in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the chapter title shall read:

Chapter 0360-03-01 ~~Certifications~~ ~~Classifications~~ for Full-Time and Volunteer ~~Firefighters~~ ~~Fire Fighters~~.

Authority: T.C.A. § 4-24-101.

Rule 0360-03-01-.02 Fire Fighter I is amended by deleting “Fire Fighter I” from its title and replacing it with “Firefighter I” so that, as amended, the rule title shall read:

0360-03-01-.05 ~~Firefighter I~~ ~~Fire Fighter I~~.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, 4-24-107, and 4-24-111.

Rule 0360-03-01-.02 Firefighter I, paragraph (4) is amended by adding, “Hazardous Materials Awareness and Operations Certificates shall be prerequisites to testing for Firefighter I” so that, as amended, paragraph (4) shall read:

- (4) A Fire Fighter I shall submit proof with the application of successfully completing National Incident Management System (NIMS) IS-700: An Introduction and ICS-100: Introduction to ICS training, or the equivalent of each. Hazardous Materials Awareness and Operations Certificates shall be prerequisites to testing for Firefighter I.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, 4-24-107, and 4-24-111.

Rule 0360-03-01-.03 Fire Fighter II is amended by deleting “Fire Fighter II” from its title and replacing it with “Firefighter II” so that, as amended, the rule title shall read:

0360-03-01-.03 Firefighter II ~~Fire Fighter II~~.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, 4-24-107, and 4-24-111.

Rule 0360-03-01-.03 Firefighter II, paragraph (1) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (1) shall read:

- (1) Certification for Firefighter I is a prerequisite to certification for Firefighter II. A Firefighter II shall meet the requirements of the performance standards of the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c). ~~A Fire Fighter II shall successfully complete the requirements of Fire Fighter I as prescribed in Commission rules, regulations, and policies.~~

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, 4-24-107, and 4-24-111.

Rule 0360-03-01-.05 Fire Department Instructor I is amended by deleting “Fire Department Instructor I” from its title and replacing it with “Fire & Emergency Services Instructor I” so that, as amended, the rule title shall read:

0360-03-01-.05 Fire & Emergency Services Instructor I ~~Fire Department Instructor I~~.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.05 Fire & Emergency Services Instructor I is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) Qualifications. An applicant for Fire & Emergency Services Instructor I ~~Fire Department Instructor I~~ may be certified by the Commission provided the applicant meets the following requirements and demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Commission that the applicant:
 - (a) Is a member of a ~~the~~ participating fire department;
 - (b) Is certified as a Firefighter II, Fire & Life Safety Educator II, or Ropes Technician Journeyman Fire Fighter or Fire Fighter II pursuant to Rule 0360-03-01-.03;
 - (c) Has waited ~~served for~~ a minimum period of thirty-six (36) months from the date of certification for Fire Fighter I, Fire and Life Safety Educator, or Ropes Technician ~~three (3) years as a firefighter in a department~~;
 - (d) Has successfully completed a Commission-approved training ~~program~~ compliant with performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d) NFPA 1041, Standard for Fire Service Instructor Professional Qualifications; and
 - (e) Has satisfactorily passed the examination(s) for Fire & Emergency Services Instructor I ~~Fire Department Instructor I~~ given by the Commission.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.06 Fire Department Instructor II is amended by deleting “Fire Department Instructor II” from its title and replacing it with “Fire & Emergency Services Instructor II” so that, as amended, the rule title shall read:

0360-03-01-.06 Fire & Emergency Services Instructor II ~~Fire Department Instructor II~~.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.06 Fire & Emergency Services Instructor II is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) Qualifications. An applicant for Fire & Emergency Services Instructor II ~~Fire Department Instructor II~~ may be certified by the Commission provided the applicant meets the following requirements and demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Commission that he/she:
 - (a) Has successfully completed all of the requirements of the Fire & Emergency Services Instructor I ~~Fire Department Instructor I~~, including any required testing event, as prescribed in Commission rules, regulations, and policies;
 - (b) Has successfully completed a Commission-approved training ~~program~~ compliant with performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d) NFPA 1041, Standard for Fire Service Instructor Professional Qualifications;
 - (c) Has satisfactorily passed the examination(s) for Fire & Emergency Services Instructor II ~~Fire Department Instructor II~~ given by the Commission; and
 - (d) Agrees to conduct training and examinations, maintain records, and submit reports in a manner prescribed by the Commission.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.08 Fire Department Instructor III is amended by deleting “Fire Department Instructor II” from its title and replacing it with “Fire & Emergency Services Instructor III” so that, as amended, the rule title shall read:

0360-03-01-.08 Fire & Emergency Services Instructor III ~~Fire Department Instructor III~~.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.08 Fire & Emergency Services Instructor III is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) Qualifications. An applicant for Fire & Emergency Services Instructor III ~~Fire Department Instructor III~~ may be certified by the Commission provided the applicant meets the following requirements and demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Commission that he/she:
 - (a) Has successfully completed all of the requirements of Fire & Emergency Services Instructor II ~~Fire Department Instructor~~, including any required testing event, as prescribed in Commission rules, regulations, and policies;
 - (b) Has successfully completed a Commission-approved training ~~program~~ compliant with performance standards of NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d) NFPA 1041, Standard for Fire Service Instructor Professional Qualifications;
 - (c) Has satisfactorily passed the examination(s) for Fire & Emergency Services Instructor III ~~Fire Department Instructor III~~ given by the Commission; and
 - (d) Agrees to conduct training and examination(s), maintain records, and submit reports as prescribed by the Commission.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.09 Fire Officer I, paragraph (1) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (1) shall read:

- (1) A Fire Officer I shall successfully complete the requirements of ~~Journeyman Fire Fighter or~~ Fire Fighter II and Fire & Emergency Services Instructor I ~~Fire Department Instructor I, including any required testing event,~~ as prescribed in Commission rules, regulations, and policies.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, 4-24-107, and 4-24-111.

Rule 0360-03-01-.09 Fire Officer I, paragraph (2) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (2) shall read:

- (2) A Fire Officer I shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training ~~program~~ compliant with performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d) ~~the NFPA 1021, Standard for Fire Officer Professional Qualifications.~~

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, 4-24-107, and 4-24-111.

Rule 0360-03-01-.10 Fire Officer II, paragraph (2) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (2) shall read:

- (2) A Fire Officer II shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training ~~program~~ compliant with performance standards of the as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d) ~~the NFPA 1021, Standard for Fire Officer Professional Qualifications.~~

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, 4-24-107, and 4-24-111.

Rule 0360-03-01-.12 Fire Officer III, paragraph (2) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (2) shall read:

- (2) A Fire Officer III shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training ~~program~~ compliant with performance standards of the as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d) ~~the NFPA 1021, Standard for Fire Officer Professional Qualifications.~~

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.13 Fire Officer IV, paragraph (2) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (2) shall read:

- (2) A Fire Officer IV shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training ~~program~~ compliant with performance standards of the as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d) ~~the NFPA 1021, Standard for Fire Officer Professional Qualifications.~~

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.14 Hazardous Materials Awareness Certification is amended by deleting the word "Certification" from its title so that, as amended, the rule title shall read:

0360-03-01-.14 Hazardous Materials Awareness ~~Certification.~~

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.14 Hazardous Materials Awareness is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) A candidate for Hazardous Materials Awareness—~~Certification~~ shall successfully complete all requirements of Hazardous Materials Awareness—~~Certification~~, including any required testing event, as prescribed in Commission rules, regulations, and policies.
- (2) A candidate for Hazardous Materials Awareness—~~Certification~~ shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training—~~course~~ compliant with performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(a) NFPA 472 or NFPA 1072.
- (3) A candidate for Hazardous Materials Awareness—~~Certification~~ shall successfully pass the examination(s) for Hazardous Materials Awareness—~~Certification~~ as promulgated by the Commission.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.15 Hazardous Materials Operations Certification is amended by deleting the word “Certification” from its title so that, as amended, the rule title shall read:

0360-03-01-.15 Hazardous Materials Operations—~~Certification~~.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.15 Hazardous Materials Operations is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) A candidate for Hazardous Materials Operations—~~Certification~~ shall successfully complete all requirements of Hazardous Materials Awareness—~~Certification~~, including any required testing event, as prescribed in Commission rules, regulations, and policies.
- (2) A candidate for Hazardous Materials Operations—~~Certification~~ shall successfully pass the examination(s) for Hazardous Materials Operations—~~Certification~~ as promulgated by the Commission. This examination shall also include Hazardous Materials Mission Specific Personal Protective Equipment and Hazardous Materials Mission Specific Product Control.
- (3) A candidate for Hazardous Materials Operations—~~Certification~~ shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training—~~course~~ compliant with performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(a) NFPA 472 or NFPA 1072.
- (4) This level may be taken at the same time as Hazardous Materials Awareness—~~Certification~~. If the candidate does not successfully pass the examination for Hazardous Materials Awareness—~~Certification~~, the examination for Hazardous Materials Operations—~~Certification~~ shall not be graded and shall be discarded. The candidate shall be required to take both examinations again.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.17 Wildland Firefighter I, paragraph (2) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (2) shall read:

- (2) A Wildland Firefighter I shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training—~~program~~ compliant with performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(g) NFPA 1051, Standard for Wildland Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-106, 4-24-107, and 4-24-110.

Rule 0360-03-01-.18 Wildland Firefighter II, paragraph (2) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (2) shall read:

- (2) A Wildland Firefighter II shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training ~~program~~ compliant with performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(g) NFPA 1051, Standard for Wildland Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.19 Fire and Life Safety Educator I, paragraph (2) is a new paragraph and shall read:

- (1) A Fire and Life Safety Educator I shall successfully pass the examination(s) for Fire and Life Safety Educator I as promulgated by the Commission.
- (2) A Fire and Life Safety Educator I shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training compliant with performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(i).

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.20 Fire and Life Safety Educator II is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) A Fire and Life Safety Educator II shall successfully complete all of the requirements for Fire and Life Safety Educator I, including any required testing event, as prescribed in Commission rules, regulations, and policies.
- (2) A Fire and Life Safety Educator II shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training compliant with performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(i).
- ~~(3)(2)~~ A Fire and Life Safety Educator II must successfully pass the examination(s) for Fire and Life Safety Educator II as promulgated by the Commission.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.24 Pumper Driver/Operator, paragraph (3) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (3) shall read:

- (3) A Pumper Driver/Operator shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training ~~course~~ compliant with performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c) NFPA 1002.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.24 Pumper Driver/Operator, paragraph (4) is a new paragraph and shall read:

- (4) Successful completion of the Commission tests for General Driver/Operator Knowledge and Pumps is a pre-requisite to test for Pumper Driver/Operator.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.25 Aerial Apparatus Driver/Operator, paragraph (3) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (3) shall read:

- (3) An Aerial Apparatus Driver/Operator shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training ~~course~~ compliant with performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c) NFPA 1002.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.25 Aerial Apparatus Driver/Operator, paragraph (4) is a new paragraph and shall read:

- (4) [Successful completion of the Commission tests for General Driver/Operator Knowledge and Pumps is a pre-requisite to test for Aerial Apparatus Driver/Operator.](#)

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.27 Incident Safety Officer, paragraph (2) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (2) shall read:

- (2) An Incident Safety Officer shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training ~~program~~ compliant with [performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01\(1\)\(j\) the NFPA 1521, Standard for Fire Department Safety Officer.](#)

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.28 Health & Safety Officer, paragraph (2) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (2) shall read:

- (2) A Health and Safety Officer shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training ~~program~~ compliant with [performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01\(1\)\(j\) the NFPA 1521, Standard for Fire Department Safety Officer.](#)

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.30 Rope Awareness, paragraph (2) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (2) shall read:

- (2) An applicant for Rope Awareness shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training ~~program~~ compliant with [performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01\(1\)\(b\) the NFPA 1006, Standard for Technical Rescue Professional Qualifications.](#)

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.30 Rope Awareness, paragraph (4) is a new paragraph and shall read:

- (4) [A Hazardous Materials Awareness course completion and first-aid training are pre-requisites to this certification.](#)

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.31 Rope Operations is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) An applicant for Rope Operations shall successfully complete the requirements of Rope ~~Operations Awareness, including any required testing event,~~ as prescribed in Commission rules, regulations, and policies.
- (2) An applicant for Rope Operations shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training ~~program~~ compliant with [performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01\(1\)\(b\) the NFPA 1006, Standard for Technical Rescue Professional Qualifications.](#)
- (3) An applicant for Rope Operations shall pass the examination(s) for Rope Operations as promulgated by the Commission. ~~An applicant may take the Rope Operations examination without waiting thirty (30) days after the Rope Awareness examination.~~

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.32 Rope Technician is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) An applicant for Rope Technician shall successfully complete the requirements of Rope Operations Technician, including any required testing event, as prescribed in Commission rules, regulations, and policies.
- (2) An applicant for Rope Technician shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training ~~program~~ compliant with performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(b) ~~the NFPA 1006, Standard for Technical Rescue Professional Qualifications~~.
- (3) An applicant for Rope Technician shall pass the examination(s) for Rope Technician as promulgated by the Commission.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.48 Fire Inspector I is amended by deleting the roman numeral "I" from its title so that, as amended, the rule title shall read:

0360-03-01-.48 Fire Inspector~~I~~

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.48 Fire Inspector is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) A Fire Inspector~~I~~ shall have successfully completed the requirements for Hazardous Materials Awareness Certification.
- (2) A Fire Inspector~~I~~ shall successfully complete the requirements for Fire Inspector~~I~~ as prescribed in the performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(e) ~~NFPA 1030, Standard for Professional Qualifications for Fire Inspector and Plan Examiner~~, and Commission rules, regulations, and policy.
- (3) A Fire Inspector~~I~~ shall complete a Commission-approved training ~~course~~ and successfully pass the examination(s) for Fire Inspector~~I~~ as promulgated by the Commission.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.51 Fire Investigator I is amended by deleting the roman numeral "I" from its title so that, as amended, the rule title shall read:

0360-03-01-.51 Fire Investigator~~I~~

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.51 Fire Investigator is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) A Fire Investigator~~I~~ shall successfully complete all of the requirements for Fire Investigator~~I~~ as prescribed in the performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(f) ~~NFPA 921, NFPA 1033~~, and Commission rules, regulations and policies.
- (2) A Fire Investigator~~I~~ shall complete a Commission-approved training ~~course~~ and successfully pass the examination(s) for Fire Investigator~~I~~ as promulgated by the Commission.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.52 Hazardous Materials Technician is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) A Hazardous Materials Technician shall successfully complete all requirements for Hazardous Materials Awareness Certification and Hazardous Materials Operations Certification as prescribed in the performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(a) ~~NFPA 472 or NFPA 1072~~, and Commission rules, regulations and policies.
- (2) A Hazardous Materials Technician shall successfully complete all requirements for Hazardous Materials Technician as prescribed in the performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(a) ~~NFPA 472 or NFPA 1072~~, and Commission rules, regulations and policies.
- (3) A Hazardous Materials Technician shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training ~~course~~ and satisfactorily pass the examination(s) for Hazardous Materials Technician as promulgated by the Commission.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.53 Hazardous Materials Incident Commander is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) A Hazardous Materials Incident Commander shall successfully complete all requirements for Hazardous Materials Technician as prescribed in the performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(a) ~~NFPA 472 or NFPA 1072~~, and Commission rules, regulations and policies.
- (2) A Hazardous Materials Incident Commander shall successfully complete all requirements for Hazardous Materials Incident Commander as prescribed in the performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(a) ~~NFPA 472 or NFPA 1072 NFPA 1561~~, and Commission rules, regulations and policies.
- (3) A Hazardous Materials Incident Commander shall complete a Commission-approved training ~~course~~ and satisfactorily pass the examination(s) for Hazardous Materials Incident Commander as promulgated by the Commission.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.54 Plans Examiner is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) A Plans Examiner shall successfully complete the requirements for Plans Examiner as prescribed in the performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(e) ~~NFPA 1030, Standard for Professional Qualifications for Fire Inspector and Plan Examiner, including any required testing event~~, and Commission rules, regulations, and policies.
- (2) A Plans Examiner shall complete a Commission-approved training ~~course~~.
- (3) A Plans Examiner shall successfully pass the examination(s) for Plans Examiner as promulgated by the Commission.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.56 Fire Marshal is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) A Fire Marshal shall successfully complete all of the requirements for Fire Marshal as prescribed in the performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(e) ~~NFPA 1037, Standard on Fire Marshal Professional Qualifications~~, and Commission rules, regulations and policies.
- (2) A Fire Marshal shall complete a Commission-approved training ~~course~~.
- (3) A Fire Marshal shall successfully pass the examination(s) for Fire Marshal as promulgated by the Commission.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.57 Aircraft Rescue Firefighting (ARFF) Driver/Operator is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) An Aircraft Rescue Firefighting (ARFF) Driver/Operator shall successfully complete the requirements for Fire Fighter II ~~as specified in NFPA 1001, Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications~~, Aircraft Rescue Firefighting (ARFF) Driver/Operator ~~as prescribed in NFPA 1002, Standard for Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator Professional Qualifications~~, the requirements of Airport Firefighter ~~as specified in NFPA 1003, Standard for Airport Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications~~ the performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c), including any required testing event, and Commission rules, regulations, and policies.
- (2) An Aircraft Rescue Firefighting (ARFF) Driver/Operator shall complete a Commission-approved training ~~course~~.
- (3) An Aircraft Rescue Firefighting (ARFF) Driver/Operator shall successfully pass the examination(s) for Aircraft Rescue Firefighting (ARFF) Driver/Operator as promulgated by the Commission.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Chapter 0360-03-01
Classifications for Full-Time and Volunteer Fire Fighters
Repealed

Rule 0360-03-01-.23 Fire Apparatus Operator is repealed in its entirety.

0360-03-01-.23 Repealed ~~Fire Apparatus Operator~~.

- ~~(1) A Fire Apparatus Operator shall successfully complete the requirements for Fire Fighter I as prescribed in Commission rules, regulations, and policies.~~
- ~~(2) A Fire Apparatus Operator shall successfully pass the examination(s) for Fire Apparatus Operator as promulgated by the Commission.~~
- ~~(3) A Fire Apparatus Operator shall successfully complete a Commission-approved training course compliant with NFPA 1002.~~

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.46 Exterior Industrial Fire Brigade Member is repealed in its entirety.

0360-03-01-.46 ~~Repealed Exterior Industrial Fire Brigade Member.~~

- (1) ~~An Exterior Industrial Fire Brigade Member shall successfully pass the examination(s) for Exterior Industrial Fire Brigade Member as promulgated by the Commission.~~

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-03-01-.47 Interior Structural Fire Brigade Member is repealed in its entirety.

0360-03-01-.47 ~~Repealed Interior Structural Fire Brigade Member.~~

- (1) ~~An Interior Structural Fire Brigade Member shall successfully complete all of the requirements for Exterior Industrial Fire Brigade Member as prescribed in Commission rules, regulations, and policies.~~
- (2) ~~An Interior Structural Fire Brigade Member shall successfully pass the examination(s) for Interior Structural Fire Brigade Member as promulgated by the Commission.~~

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Chapter 0360-04-01
Examinations
Amendments

Rule 0360-04-01-.01 General, paragraph (1) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (1) shall read:

- (1) Any required practical, written test, or other required testing event ~~All training, practicals, and examinations~~ shall be based on the performance standards for the appropriate progression level as set forth in these rules and regulations and meet or exceed all applicable National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) NFPA standards, as set out in Rules 0360-06-01-.01(1)(a)-(j) including NFPA 1500. All practicals and written examinations will be given at a location reasonably proximate to local fire departments to make it as convenient as possible for applicants.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.01 General, paragraph (7) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (7) shall read:

- (7) Applicants shall have twelve (12) months from the initial test date to complete any required practical, written test, or other required testing event ~~both the practical and written examinations.~~

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.02 Applications is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) Any fire department electing to host an examination shall contact the Commission office or its representative to schedule an examination date. ~~At Prior to~~ the time of the examination, each individual applicant shall have a completed application submitted with appropriate documentation of necessary prerequisites.
- (a) Applications for testing events ~~off-campus certification courses~~ must be received by the Commission a minimum of five (5) working days ~~two (2) weeks~~ before any anticipated examination date.

1. Candidate Registration Deadline: Each candidate must submit their registration for

the desired testing event no later than the end of the day, five (5) working days prior to the scheduled event.

2. Supporting Documentation Deadline: Training providers and sponsoring agencies must submit all required supporting documentation prior to the testing event, and no later than five (5) working days before the scheduled event, unless the course is designed to conclude with a testing event. In such cases, supporting documentation (Course Completions) must be submitted on the same day that the testing occurs.
3. Exception - End-of-Class Testing Events: When a testing event is scheduled to occur immediately following the conclusion of a training class, the five (5) day registration deadline does not apply. Instead, candidate registration must submit to the Commission no later than the first day of the class. The testing event must be pre-scheduled and approved by the Commission in advance for this exception to apply.
4. Responsibility of Training Providers: It is the responsibility of the training provider or sponsoring agency to ensure that all candidate registrations and required documentation are submitted by the applicable deadlines. Candidates who do not meet these requirements will be deemed ineligible to test.
5. Extraordinary Exceptions: Additional exceptions may be granted only under extraordinary circumstances, and must receive prior written approval from the Executive Director of the Commission.

- (b) The Commission office shall schedule the examination date based upon requested examinations and availability of proctors.
- (c) This examination date shall be open to other applicants unless prior approval of the Director for a closed examination has been obtained.
- (d) The Commission representative shall administer the examination on the examination date. At the end of the examination, the Commission representative shall collect all examination materials and answer sheets and send them to the Commission for grading.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.03 Character of Examinations is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) All Commission testing, both written and practical, shall be in accordance with the appropriate adopted NFPA standards referenced in Chapter 0360-06-01 and in accordance with the rules of the accrediting body/bodies. ~~A Commission representative or designee shall chair a committee of fire service personnel who are certified at or above the level of certification being validated.~~
- (2) Any required practical, written test, or other required testing event. ~~Practical examinations~~ shall meet the job performance requirements for the tested standard and shall be used to determine the ability, manual skills, and leadership of the applicant to perform the work at a particular progression level.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.04 Grading is amended by adding a new paragraph (3) so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) Written - The Commission shall prepare exams with the identified correct answer to each question. Commission office personnel will be responsible for the grading of each examination. A passing grade shall be seventy percent (70%) on the examination.
 - (a) Disputes over the validity of any question(s), but no more than five (5), on the Commission's examinations shall be submitted to the Commission, in writing, on the back of the answer

sheet or on a blank sheet of paper used during the examination. The disputed questions shall be submitted by the student prior to leaving the test event. The student must clearly state the nature of the dispute for each question.

- (b) The Commission's Executive Director and Accreditation Manager shall review the disputed question(s) and render a final decision on the disputed questions.
- (2) Practical - The Commission shall designate a qualified individual to conduct the practical examinations. The Commission shall require that each examinee perform these activities and grade that performance on a pass or fail basis.
- (3) Other Evaluation Methods and/or Justifiable Methodology – In addition to the written examination, the Commission has approved that the practical examination for Fire Officer I, Fire Officer II, Fire Officer III, Fire Officer IV, Incident Safety Officer, Fire Department Instructor II, Fire Life Safety Educator I, Fire Life Safety Educator II, and Fire Inspector be administered via a project or Product Assessment Methodology.
 - (a) The respective Grand Division Coordinator will serve as the Proctor for these practical examinations.
 - (b) Students are to submit a request in advance through the Commission approved records management system. The Proctor will then provide the assignment(s)/scenario(s) to the student for completion.
 - (c) The student will submit the completed assignment(s)/scenario(s) to the Proctor through the Commission approved records management system to be graded in accordance with the Commission approved rubric.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.05 Retesting is amended by deleting "initial" and replacing it with "most recent" so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

An applicant may not retake the examination until at least fifteen (15) days after the ~~initial~~ most recent examination.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.06 Examination Form is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) Examinations will generally ~~shall~~ consist of a practical and a written examination. In some cases, additional or alternative requirements may exist, in a specific discipline. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards.
 - (a) The practical examination requirements for Fire Fighter I shall consist of all of the following:
 - 1. The performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c)&(h). ~~A practical examination administered on a regional basis. This practical examination shall be developed by the Commission based on and meeting the standards in NFPA 1001.~~
 - 2. A live burn practical examination shall be completed from one (1) of the following options:
 - (i) Successful completion of the Tennessee Fire Service and Codes Enforcement Academy's Fire Fighter I Live Burn course or Fire Fighter I and II Live Burn course. A Live Burn Suppression Verification Form shall be completed and attached/uploaded to the "Application for Written Examination"; or

- (ii) Successful completion of the live burn objectives ~~in~~ of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c)-NFPA 1001 for Fire Fighter I during a live burn training. All of the exercises listed on the Live Burn Suppression Verification Sheet for the appropriate level shall be completed through the local fire department's training program in compliance with the standards and requirements as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(h). A Live Burn Suppression Verification Form shall be completed and attached to the "Application for Written Examination." The fire department shall provide the Commission with a minimum of fourteen (14) working days' notice by submitting an Application for Live Burn Training. A Commission or staff member may witness any live burn exercises conducted by a fire department. This option shall be completed during a training exercise; no working fires shall be utilized for this option.
- (b) An applicant shall obtain a Fire Fighter I certification within one hundred twenty (120) months of completing a live burn practical examination. After one hundred twenty (120) months, successful completion of an additional live burn practical examination shall be required in order to obtain a Fire Fighter I certification.
- (2) The examination for Fire Fighter II shall consist of a practical and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the relevant certification as the adopted in NFPA standards.
 - (a) The practical examination requirements for Fire Fighter II shall consist of all the following:
 - 1. The performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c). ~~A practical examination administered on a regional basis. This practical examination shall be developed by the Commission based on and meeting the standards in NFPA 1001.~~
 - 2. A live burn practical examination shall be completed from one (1) of the following options:
 - (i) Successful completion of the Tennessee Fire Service and Codes Enforcement Academy's Fire Fighter II Live Burn course or Fire Fighter I and II Live Burn course. A Live Burn Suppression Verification Form shall be completed and attached/uploaded to the "Application for Written Examination"; or
 - (ii) Successful completion of the live burn objectives in of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c)-NFPA 1001 for Fire Fighter II during a live burn training. All of the exercises listed on the Live Burn Suppression Verification Sheet for the appropriate level shall be completed through the local fire department's training program in compliance with the standards and requirements as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(h). A Live Burn Suppression Verification Form shall be completed and attached to the "Application for Written Examination." The fire department shall provide the Commission with a minimum of fourteen (14) working days' notice by submitting an Application for Live Burn Training. A Commission or staff member may witness any live burn exercises conducted by a fire department. This option shall be completed during a training exercise; no working fires shall be utilized for this option.
 - (b) ~~After June 30, 2016, a~~ Live burn practical examinations, as part of the Fire Fighter II performance examination requirements, shall be based upon the current standard as adopted by reference in Rule-Chapter 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c).
 - (c) An applicant shall obtain a Fire Fighter II certification within one hundred twenty (120) months of successfully completing a live burn practical examination. After one hundred

twenty (120) months, successful completion of an additional live burn practical examination shall be required in order to obtain a Fire Fighter II certification.

- (3) Every Commission certification recipient shall have completed a Commission-approved course that includes the required practical, written test, or other required testing event ~~shall consist of a practical examination and written examination~~ substantially derived from the performance standards of that certification as referenced in Chapter 0360-06-01.
- (4) The examination for Fire Department Instructor I shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Fire Department Instructor I as set forth in Rule-Chapter 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d). Any applicant challenging the Fire Department Instructor I written examination shall complete the Fire Department Instructor I Practical Skills Checklist provided by the Commission. This practical is to be graded by an individual certified by the Tennessee Commission on Fire Fighting as either a Fire Department Instructor I or a Vocational and Higher Education Instructor. A completed copy of the checklist shall be attached to the "Application for Written Examination."
- (5) The examination for Fire Department Instructor II shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Fire Department Instructor II as set forth in Rule-Chapter 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d). The practical examination for the Fire Department Instructor II shall consist of completing a prescribed Fire Department Instructor II workbook meeting the current standard.
- (6) The examination for Fire Department Instructor III shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested will be substantially derived from the performance standards for Fire Department Instructor III as set forth in Rule-Chapter 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d).
- (7) The examination for Fire Officer I shall consist of a required practical examination and or project and a written examination. The subjects tested will be substantially derived from the performance standards for Fire Officer I as set forth in Rule-Chapter 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d). The practical examination for Fire Officer I shall consist of completing projects which shall be administered by the Commission in conjunction with written examinations. The practical requirement shall be completion of two (2) projects assigned to the applicant at random which are derived from performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d) NFPA 1021. These projects will be graded by designated Commission representatives.
- (8) The examination for Fire Officer II shall consist of a required practical examination and or project and a written examination. The subjects tested will be substantially derived from the performance standards for Fire Officer II as set forth in Rule-Chapter 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d). The practical examination for Fire Officer II shall consist of completing a project based on performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d) NFPA 1021 for Fire Officer II. The project may be obtained from the Commission. This project will be graded by the Commission.
- (9) The examination for Fire Officer III shall consist of a required practical examination and or project and a written examination. The subjects tested will be substantially derived from the performance standards for Fire Officer III as set forth in Rule-Chapter 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d). The practical examination for Fire Officer III shall consist of completing a project based on performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d) NFPA 1021 for Fire Officer III. The project may be obtained from the Commission. This project will be graded by the Commission.
- (10) The examination for Fire Officer IV shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Fire Officer IV as set forth in Rule-Chapter 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d). An applicant shall successfully complete the practical examination for Fire Officer IV as promulgated by the Commission utilizing the standards outlined in performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(d) NFPA 1021, Chapter 7.
- (11) The examination for Hazardous Materials Awareness shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Hazardous Materials Awareness as set forth in Rule-Chapter 0360-06-01-.01(1)(a).

- (a) The practical examination for Hazardous Materials Awareness may be part of the Fire Fighter I practical or administered separately and shall be based upon performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(a) ~~NFPA 472 or NFPA 1072 for the appropriate level.~~
 - (b) The written examination for Hazardous Materials Awareness may be administered in conjunction with the Hazardous Materials Operations Certification written examination or may be administered separately.
- (12) The examination for Hazardous Materials Operations shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Hazardous Materials Operations as set forth in Rule-Chapter 0360-06-01-.01(1)(a).
- (a) The practical examination for Hazardous Materials Operations may be part of the Fire Fighter I practical or administered separately and shall be based upon performance standards of NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(a) ~~NFPA 472 or NFPA 1072 for the appropriate level.~~
 - (b) The written examination for Hazardous Materials Operations may be administered in conjunction with the Hazardous Materials Awareness Certification written examination or may be administered separately.
- (13) The examination for Airport Firefighter shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Airport Firefighter as set forth in Rule-Chapter 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c). The practical examination requirements for Airport Firefighter shall consist of all the following:
- (a) A practical examination administered on a regional basis. This practical examination shall be developed by the Commission based on performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c) ~~the standards in NFPA 1003;~~
 - (b) A live burn practical examination shall be completed. All of the exercises listed on the Airport Live Burn Suppression Verification Sheet for the appropriate level shall be completed through the local airport fire department's training program in compliance with the standards and requirements as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(h). An Airport Live Burn Suppression Verification Form shall be completed and attached to the "Application for Written Examination." The fire department shall provide the Commission with a minimum of seventy-two (72) hours prior notification of live burn exercises. A Commission member or staff may witness any live burn exercises conducted by a fire department. This shall be completed during a training exercise; no working fires may be utilized. ~~One (1) of the following options shall be completed:~~
 - 1. ~~Completion of a Federal Aviation Administration training course where, at minimum, all requirements of the Commission's Airport Live Burn Verification Sheet are accomplished; or~~
 - 2. ~~All of the exercises listed on the Airport Live Burn Suppression Verification Sheet for the appropriate level shall be completed through the local airport fire department's training program. An Airport Live Burn Suppression Verification Form shall be completed and attached to the "Application for Written Examination". The department shall provide the Commission with a minimum of seventy two (72) hours prior notification of live burn exercises. A Commission member or staff may witness any live burn exercises conducted by a department. This option shall be completed during a training exercise; no working fires may be utilized for this option.~~
- (14) The examination for Wildland Firefighter I shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Wildland Firefighter I as set forth in Rule-Chapter 0360-06-01-.01(1)(g). The practical examination

for Wildland Firefighter I shall consist of one (1) of the following:

- (a) Completion of a practical examination based upon performance standards of the NFPA out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(g) ~~NFPA 1051 which has been submitted to the Commission for approval~~; or
 - (b) Completion of the “Task Book for the Position of Firefighter Type 2” offered by the Tennessee Division of Forestry.
- (15) The examination for Wildland Firefighter II shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Wildland Firefighter II as set forth in Rule-Chapter 0360-06-01-.01(1)(g). The practical examination for Wildland Firefighter II shall consist of one (1) of the following:
- (a) Completion of a practical examination based upon performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(g) ~~NFPA 1051 which has been submitted to the Commission for approval~~; or
 - (b) Completion of the “Task Book for the Position of Advanced Firefighter/Squad Boss” offered by the Tennessee Division of Forestry.
- (16) The examination for Fire and Life Safety Educator I shall consist of a required practical examination and or project and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Fire and Life Safety Educator I as set forth in Rule-Chapter 0360-06-01-.01(1)(e). The practical examination for Fire and Life Safety Educator I shall consist of completing a project based upon performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(e) ~~NFPA 1035 for the appropriate level~~ and returning it to the Commission for grading. The project may be obtained from the Commission.
- (17) The examination for Fire and Life Safety Educator II shall consist of a required practical examination and or project and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Fire and Life Safety Educator II as set forth in Rule-Chapter 0360-06-01-.01(1)(e). The practical examination for Fire and Life Safety Educator II shall consist of completing a project based upon performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(e) ~~NFPA 1035 for the appropriate level~~ and returning it to the Commission for grading. The project may be obtained from the Commission.
- (18) The examination for Fire Apparatus Operator shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Fire Apparatus Operator as set forth in Rule-Chapter 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c). The applicant shall complete a practical examination promulgated by the Commission utilizing the standards outlined in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c) ~~NFPA 1002, Chapters 4, 5, and 6~~. In order to sit for the test before completing the prerequisite courses for this level, the applicant shall perform the evolutions on both pumper and aerial apparatus equipment.
- (19) The examination for Pumper Driver/Operator shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Pumper Driver/Operator as set forth in Rule-Chapter 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c). The applicant shall complete a practical examination promulgated by the Commission utilizing performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c) ~~the standards outlined in NFPA 1002, Chapters 4 and 5~~.
- (20) The examination for Aerial Apparatus Driver/Operator shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Aerial Apparatus Driver/Operator as set forth in Rule-Chapter 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c). The applicant shall complete a practical examination promulgated by the Commission utilizing performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c) ~~the standards outlined in NFPA 1002, Chapters 4 and 6~~.
- (21) The examination for Incident Safety Officer shall consist of a required practical examination and or

project and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Incident Safety Officer as set forth in Rule-Chapter 0360-06-01-.01(1)(j). The practical examination for Incident Safety Officer shall be the completion of a written project of the Incident Safety Officer's role, duties, and responsibilities in accordance with performance standards of NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(j)-NFPA 1521, OSHA, and other standards given an incident scenario provided by the Commission. The applicant will be provided the incident scenario in a written examination setting. ~~This project will be evaluated by a Committee of the Commission which will meet in conjunction with a regularly scheduled Commission meeting on an as-needed basis. Successful completion of this project shall qualify the applicant to take the written examination for Incident Safety Officer.~~

- (22) The examination for Health and Safety Officer shall consist of a required practical examination and or project and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Health and Safety Officer as set forth in Rule-Chapter 0360-06-01-.01(1)(j). The practical examination for Health and Safety Officer shall be the completion of a written outline of the Health and Safety Officer's role, duties, and responsibilities in accordance with performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(j)-NFPA 1521, OSHA, and other standards given an incident scenario provided by the Commission. The applicant will be provided the incident scenario in a written examination setting. ~~This outline will be evaluated by a Committee of the Commission. Successful completion of this outline shall qualify the applicant to take the written examination for Health and Safety Officer.~~
- (23) The examination for Rope Awareness shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Rope Awareness as set forth in Rule-Chapter 0360-06-01-.01(1)(b). The applicant shall complete a practical examination promulgated by the Commission utilizing performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(b) ~~the standards outlined in NFPA 1006, Chapters 4 and 5.~~
- (24) The examination for Rope Operations shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Rope Operations as set forth in Rule-Chapter 0360-06-01-.01(1)(b). The applicant shall complete a practical examination promulgated by the Commission utilizing performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(b) ~~the standards outlined in NFPA 1006, Chapters 5 and 6.~~
- (25) The examination for Rope Technician shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Rope Technician as set forth in Rule-Chapter 0360-06-01-.01(1)(b).
- ~~(26) The examination for Interior Structural Fire Brigade Member shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Interior Structural Fire Brigade Member as set forth in Chapter 0360-06-01. The applicant shall complete a practical examination promulgated by the Commission utilizing the standards outlined in NFPA 1081, Chapters 4 and 7.~~
- ~~(26)~~(27) The examination for Fire Inspector shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Fire Inspector as set forth in Rule-Chapter 0360-06-01-.01(1)(e). The applicant shall complete a practical examination promulgated by the Commission utilizing performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(e) ~~the standards outlined in NFPA 1031, Chapter 4.~~
- ~~(27)~~(28) The examination for Fire Investigator-~~I~~ shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Fire Investigator-~~I~~ as set forth in Rule-Chapter 0360-06-01-.01(1)(f). The applicant shall complete a practical examination promulgated by the Commission utilizing performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(f) ~~the standards outlined in NFPA 1033.~~
- ~~(28)~~(29) The examination for Hazardous Materials Technician shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance

standards for Hazardous Materials Technician as set forth in ~~Rule-Chapter~~ 0360-06-01-.01(1)(a). The applicant shall complete a practical examination promulgated by the Commission utilizing performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(a) ~~the standards outlined in NFPA 472 or NFPA 1072.~~

~~(29)~~~~(30)~~ The examination for Hazardous Materials Incident Commander shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Hazardous Materials Incident Commander as set forth in ~~Rule-Chapter~~ 0360-06-01-.01(1)(a). The applicant shall complete a practical examination promulgated by the Commission utilizing performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(a) ~~the standards outlined in NFPA 472 or NFPA 1072.~~

~~(30)~~~~(34)~~ The examination for Plans Reviewer shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Plans Reviewer as set forth in ~~Rule-Chapter~~ 0360-06-01-.01(1)(e). The applicant shall complete a practical examination promulgated by the Commission utilizing performance standards of NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(e) ~~the standards outlined in NFPA 1031.~~

~~(31)~~~~(32)~~ The examination for Fire Marshal shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Fire Marshal as set forth in ~~Rule-Chapter~~ 0360-06-01-.01(1)(e). The applicant shall complete a practical examination promulgated by the Commission utilizing performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(e) ~~the standards outlined in NFPA 1037.~~

~~(32)~~~~(33)~~ The examination for Aircraft Rescue Firefighting (ARFF) Driver/Operator shall consist of a practical examination and a written examination. The subjects tested shall be substantially derived from the performance standards for Aircraft Rescue Firefighting (ARFF) Driver/Operator as set forth in ~~Rule-Chapter~~ 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c). The applicant shall complete a practical examination promulgated by the Commission utilizing performance standards of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(c) ~~the standards outlined in NFPA 1002, Chapters 4 and 9.~~

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, 4-24-107, and 4-24-110.

Rule 0360-04-01-.08 Written Examinations is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, the rule shall read:

- (1) Written examinations shall be scheduled and conducted by the Commission office or representative.
- (2) The Commission representative shall ensure that the site meets any established ~~the~~ requirements ~~established in policy~~ prior to the start of the written examination.
- (3) A minimum of five (5) applicants shall be scheduled in order to conduct a written examination. This is at the discretion of the commission director and if time and resources allow the test to be administrated for a lower number of applicants, the commission director may approve a testing event accordingly.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106, and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.09 Practical Examinations, paragraph (1) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (1) shall read:

- (1) One department may administer a practical examination to another participating department and/or may enroll students from another department in a course provided the following conditions are met:
 - (a) The administering department's practical examination has been approved by the Commission;
 - (b) An evaluator who has completed the Commission's evaluator course will administer the practical examination;

- ~~(c)(b)~~ Both departments have agreed to allow the applicant(s) to utilize the administering department's practical examination; and
- ~~(d)(e)~~ Proof of successful completion of the practical examination is sent to the applicant's department and placed on file.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.09 Practical Examinations, paragraph (3), subparagraph (a) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, subparagraph (a) shall read:

- (a) For practical or live burn practical examinations, compliance with 29 CFR 1910.134, Respiratory Protection Standards, is required. ~~An applicant is required to have been Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) fit tested within twelve (12) months of the examination and a SCBA Fit Testing Verification form is to be completed.~~ Appropriate documentation shall include: the signature of the Fire Chief from the applicant's sponsoring fire department.
 - ~~1. The signature of the Fire Chief from the applicant's sponsoring department; and~~
 - ~~2. Documentation from an authorized fit testing entity.~~

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.09 Practical Examinations, paragraph (3), subparagraph (c) is amended by deleting "Tennessee State Fire Commission Certification" and replacing it with "Tennessee Firefighting Personnel Standards and Education Commission certification" so that, as amended, subparagraph (c) shall read:

- (c) Applicants for Tennessee Firefighting Personnel Standards and Education Commission certification ~~Tennessee State Fire Commission Certification~~ in Fire Fighter I or II practical examinations or live burn practical examinations, who have beards or facial hair in the area of the SCBA face piece seal (examples may include, but not be limited to: full-face beards, muttonchops, goatees, sideburns, mustaches, or even a few days growth of stubble) shall not be allowed to participate in the practical examination if the facial hair between the wearer's skin and the sealing surfaces of the face piece prevents a good seal with the respirator. A firefighter shall not enter an area in which it has been determined that respirator protection is necessary when conditions prevent a good seal of the respirator face piece to the face. This provision shall be enforced regardless of the live burn skills being tested at any site. No exceptions to this provision shall be granted. This provision is in conjunction with 29 CFR 1910.134 Respiratory Protection Standard.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.09 Practical Examinations, paragraph (3), subparagraph (d) is amended by deleting "Eye glasses" and replacing it with "Eyeglasses" so that, as amended, subparagraph (d) shall read:

- (d) Ordinary eyeglasses shall not be used with full face piece respirators. Eyeglasses ~~Eye glasses~~ with temple bars or straps that pass between the sealing surface of a full face piece and the firefighter's face will prevent a good seal. Special spectacle kits may be ordered and mounted inside a full face piece respirator, but will not be provided.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.09 Practical Examinations, paragraph (4), subparagraph (b) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, subparagraph (b) shall read:

- (b) Evaluators shall be certified by the Commission at a minimum of Fire Instructor I and also must hold the certification for the practical being evaluated for one (1) year prior to performing an evaluation for that level of certification. ~~Fire Fighter II level (Fire Fighter III for 1987 NFPA Standard or earlier) and are strongly encouraged to be certified at the Fire Department Instructor I level.~~

1. Fire Instructor II practical examinations must be evaluated by individuals having held Fire Instructor II for one (1) year prior to evaluating that practical.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.09 Practical Examinations, paragraph (4), subparagraph (c) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, subparagraph (c) shall read:

- (c) Evaluators ~~must are strongly encouraged to~~ complete a Commission-approved course examination before being allowed to serve as an Evaluator. The Evaluator training and course examination may be available online over the Internet.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.09 Practical Examinations, paragraph (5), subparagraph (b) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, subparagraph (b) shall read:

- (b) Be able to provide required ~~all~~ equipment ~~required~~ for the examination, excluding the equipment each applicant shall provide in accordance with Commission rules;

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.09 Practical Examinations, paragraph (5), subparagraph (d) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, subparagraph (d) shall read:

- (d) Provide a minimum of three (3) evaluators who are certified by the Commission at a minimum ~~of Fire Fighter II level (Fire Fighter III for 1987 NFPA Standard or earlier),~~ the certification level for which they are evaluating, and preferably who are certified at the Fire Department Instructor I level;

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.09 Practical Examinations, paragraph (6) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, paragraph (6) shall read:

- (6) All instructors, evaluators, and approved applicants who participate in a live burn practical shall meet the requirements of the NFPA as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01(1)(i) Chapter 4, Section 4.3, Student Prerequisites, of the latest adopted edition of NFPA 1403. Written documentation of completion of this training shall be kept on file by the fire department and shall be subject to audit by the Commission. All Commission requirements ~~for listed in the~~ Live Burn Practical Examinations Training Requirements Book shall be completed.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.09 Practical Examinations, paragraph (9), subparagraph (c) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, subparagraph (c) shall read:

- (c) Live Burn Practical examination sites will be established by the Commission representatives in conjunction with a [fire](#) department's ability to host these types of practical examinations which shall be [NFPA 1010 and NFPA 1403 compliant as set out in Rule 0360-06-01-.01\(1\)\(c\) and \(h\)](#).

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.09 Practical Examinations, paragraph (9), subparagraph (e) is amended by deleting the word "seminar" and replacing it with "course" so that, as amended, subparagraph (e) shall read:

- (e) The Commission representative shall conduct a training [course](#) ~~seminar~~ for evaluators prior to each practical examination to ensure the evaluators understand examination procedures, grading procedures, performance criteria, and instructions on completing required paperwork. The Commission shall provide the Commission representative with documents to be utilized during this training. Any evaluator who fails to attend this training shall not be allowed to serve as an evaluator.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.09 Practical Examinations, paragraph (9), subparagraph (f) is amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting it with the following so that, as amended, subparagraph (f) shall read:

- (f) Applications to sit for the practical examination before completing the course prerequisites shall be submitted to the Commission ~~a minimum of two (2) weeks prior to the examination date, subject to the following parameters: A minimum of ten (10) applicants shall be scheduled in order to conduct the practical examinations; a maximum of fifty (50) applicants may be tested per day.~~
 - 1. [A minimum of five \(5\) applicants shall be scheduled in order to conduct the practical examinations. This is at the discretion of the commission director and if time and resources allow the test to be administrated for a lower number of applicants, the commission director may approve a testing event accordingly. A maximum of fifty \(50\) applicants may be tested per day; a minimum of two \(2\) rooms shall be available to administer the practical examination.](#)
 - 2. [Candidate Registration Deadline: Each candidate must submit their registration for the desired testing event no later than the end of the day, five \(5\) working days prior to the scheduled event.](#)
 - 3. [Supporting Documentation Deadline: Training providers and sponsoring agencies must submit all required supporting documentation prior to the testing event, and no later than five \(5\) working days before the scheduled event, unless the course is designed to conclude with a testing event. In such cases, supporting documentation \(Course Completions\) must be submitted on the same day that the testing occurs.](#)
 - 4. [Responsibility of Training Providers: It is the responsibility of the training provider or sponsoring agency to ensure that all candidate registrations and required documentation are submitted by the applicable deadlines. Candidates who do not meet these requirements will be deemed ineligible to test.](#)
 - 5. [Exception - End-of-Class Testing Events: When a testing event is scheduled to occur immediately following the conclusion of a training class, the five \(5\) day registration deadline does not apply. Instead, candidate registration must submit to the Commission no later than the first day of the class. The testing event must be pre-scheduled and approved by the Commission in advance for this exception to apply.](#)

6. Extraordinary Exceptions: Additional exceptions may be granted only under extraordinary circumstances, and must receive prior written approval from the Executive Director of the Commission.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.09 Practical Examinations, paragraph (9), subparagraph (s) is amended by deleting the word “adopt” and replacing it with “adapt” so that, as amended, subparagraph (s) shall read:

- (s) The Commission representative shall have the authority to adapt~~adopt~~ these guidelines to address specific life safety problems as they arise.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.09 Practical Examinations, paragraph (9), subparagraph (h) is deleted in its entirety.

- ~~(h) Copies of the entire practical examination will be provided to all departments. A copy may also be requested by individuals from the Commission Office either by e-mail or mail.~~

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

Rule 0360-04-01-.09 Practical Examinations, paragraph (1) is a new paragraph and shall read as follows. The subsequent paragraphs are renumbered accordingly.

- (1) Practical examinations for a certification level must test at least 10% of all applicable job performance requirements, or five (5) job performance requirements, whichever is greater.

Authority: T.C.A. §§ 4-24-101, 4-24-106 and 4-24-107.

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