

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS INCIDENT COMMANDER APPLICATION
PENNSYLVANIA VOLUNTARY FIRE SERVICE CERTIFICATION PROGRAM
 NFPA 472-2013 Edition



SECTION I

Last Name	First Name	M.I.	SSN (last 4 digits required)		
Street Address	City	State	Zip Code	County	
Date of Birth	Home Phone	Work Phone	Test Date Requested		
Affiliation (Fire Department/Organization)			Candidate Email		
Street Address	City	State	Zip		

Section I: Please Read and Check One:

- I have read (or have had explained to me) and understand the job performance requirements for the Hazardous Materials Incident Commander Certification test. I have no conditions which would preclude me from safely or effectively performing all the functions (practical skills and written test) and tasks for the level for which I am seeking national certification.
- I have read (or have been explained to me) and understand the job performance requirements for the Hazardous Material Incident Commander Certification test. I will be submitting a request for accommodation for the written National Certification exam. I understand that I **MUST** contact the Certification Program Manager no later than two weeks prior to the scheduled certification exam.

Disclosure of your social security number is required. Your social security number is being solicited pursuant to Pennsylvania Crimes Code 18 Pa C.S. 4904 and Act 168 of 2006 amended Title 18 [Crimes and Offenses] of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, Section 2, subsection (h) (1). The Office of the State Fire Commissioner/ Pennsylvania State Fire Academy only collects these numbers for tracking, processing of certifications and verification. Information is only shared where required to do so for and is not sold, bartered, rented or otherwise distributed.

By signing and dating of this document I certify that the information contained in this application and any attachments is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and submitted as true and correct in accordance with the OSFC/PSFA certification testing policy and in accordance with Pennsylvania Crimes Code 18 Pa C.S. 4904, relating to unsworn falsifications to authorities.

Signature of Applicant **Date**

Test Site Official Use Only: Test Site: _____ Test Site Number: _____
 Date Application Received at Test Site _____ Date Application Approved: _____
 Candidate Number: _____ Written Exam Results ___ PASS ___ FAIL Skills Exam Results ___ PASS ___ FAIL

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SECTION II

Act 168 of 2006 amended Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, Section 2, subsection (h) (1) Arson and related offenses reads:

“A person convicted of violating this section or any similar offense under Federal or State law shall be prohibited from serving as a firefighter in this Commonwealth and shall be prohibited from being certified as a firefighter under Section 4 of the Act of November 13, 1995 (P.L. 604, No.61), known as the State Fire Commissioner Act.”

All individuals making application for certification testing must provide documentation of a background check. Proof of a non-conviction MUST consist of *either* of the following:

1. An official criminal history record check obtained pursuant to Chapter 91 (relating to criminal history record information) indicating no arson convictions.

OR

2. By dating and signing of the following statement by the person swearing to the following:

“I have never been convicted of an offense that constitutes the crime of “arson and related offenses” under 18 Pa.C.S 3301 or any similar offense under any Federal or State law.

I hereby certify that the statements contained herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that if I knowingly make any false statement herein, I am subject to penalties prescribed by law, including, but not limited to, a fine of at least \$1,000.00”

Signature of Certification Candidate

Name of Certification Candidate (please print or type)

Date

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SECTION III

Please Read and Complete all information:

A candidate should meet the requirements of NFPA 1582, Standard on Medical Requirements for Firefighters and information for Fire Department Physicians prior to physical testing to ensure his/her ability to safely perform the required tasks.

During your participation in certification testing, in the event of injury/illness are you protected by an insurance carrier providing hospitalization and/or Workmen's Compensation in? YES___ NO___ Please sign waiver below.

Liability Waiver

I, the undersigned, have hospitalization insurance and do hereby release the following individuals and organizations from any and all liabilities or causes of action for any injuries or illness incurred during or after my participation in the Voluntary Certification Program Test sponsored by the Office of the State Fire Commissioner/Pennsylvania State Fire Academy, Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency and hosted by the

(Name of Test Site)

The release covers all the aforementioned individuals and agencies as well as their agents, employees, or volunteers participating in this event.

This release covers all injuries or illnesses occurring during or as a result of the activities engaged in by the undersigned during the Voluntary Certification examination including any injuries which might result from physical abuse from third party participants or other individuals in or around the area where the examination is being conducted.

This release is intended to release all injuries, damages, or law suits to the undersigned person and property, whether known, unknown, foreseen, unforeseen, patent or latent which the undersigned may have against the Office of the State Fire Commissioner, the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency, the Host Entity, or its agents as listed above. The undersigned understands and acknowledges the significance and consequence of such specific intentions to release all claims, and hereby assumes full responsibility for any injuries, damages, or losses that may occur from the above mentioned event.

By signing and dating of this document I HEREBY acknowledge THAT I HAVE READ THE CONTENTS OF THIS waiver, and THAT I FULLY UNDERSTAND THE SAID CONTENTS OF THE RELEASE, AND THAT I HAVE SIGNED INTENDING TO BE LEGALLY BOUND.

Candidate Name (Please Print)

Candidate Signature

Date

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SECTION IV

It is understood that the candidate registered on this form has done so with the full knowledge, consent and approval of the named organization on page one of this application; and is protected by an insurance carrier or the organization. Furthermore, I attest that the candidate meet the requirements as noted in **Section III** of this application. Participation approved by:

Signature of Chief Officer	Officer Title	Date
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Chief Officer Name (Print or Type)	Officer Title
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SECTION V

REQUIREMENT: Chapter 8 JPR 8.1.1.2 NFPA 472 – 2013 Edition – The incident commander shall be trained and certified to meet all competencies at the awareness level (Chapter 4), all core competencies at the operations level (chapter 5), and all competencies in this chapter.

Chapter 8 JPR 8.1.1.3 NFPA 472 – 2013 Edition – The incident commander shall receive any additional training necessary to meet applicable governmental occupational health and safety regulations

*Attach a copy of the following:

____ NFPA 472 Hazardous Materials Awareness Level Certification – Certificate # _____ and;

____ NFPA 472 Hazardous Materials Operations Level Certification – Certificate # _____ and;
(HMO-Core, PPE & Product Control 2008 or 2013 edition)

____ NFPA 472 Hazardous Materials Operations Level Annual Refresher (if applicable)

NOTE: Training or certification must be within one (1) year of date of application. If certification is greater than one (1) year the candidate must show provide a certificate showing proof of having successfully completed an approved hazardous materials operations level annual refresher training program.

REQUIREMENT: Chapter 8 JPR 8.6.4 through 8.6.4(6) NFPA 472-2013 Edition

At a minimum, the candidate shall provide a one –page essay (no less than 100 words) written by the candidate him/herself, covering the topics noted in JPR 8.6.4 (1) – (6) Reporting and Documenting the Hazardous Materials/WMD Incident.

- 8.6.4 (1) – reporting requirements of the federal, state, and local agencies
- 8.6.4 (2) – importance of documentation (training records, exposure records, incident reports and critique reports)
- 8.6.4 (3) – identify the steps in keeping an activity log and exposure records
- 8.6.4 (4) – requirements for compiling hazardous materials/WMD incident reports in emergency response plan or SOP.
- 8.6.4 (5) – requirements for filing documents and maintaining records found in the emergency response plan or SOP
- 8.6.4 (6) – procedures required for legal documentation and chain of custody and continuity described in the SOP or emergency response plan.

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Pre-Requisite Verification Form

Candidate Name: _____

My signature below indicates that I have read and understood the requirements of this program, Hazardous Materials Incident Commander, and furthermore I meet the pre-requisites established by the Standard or the Authority Having Jurisdiction.

- _____ I am 18 years of age or older;
- _____ I have signed the Act 168 form or have provided an official criminal history record check obtained pursuant to Chapter 91;
- _____ I have signed the application;
- _____ I have had a chief officer sign in the required items in Section IV of this application;
- _____ I have attached a copy of Hazardous Materials Awareness Certification, Certificate;
- _____ I have attached a copy of Hazardous Materials Operations Certification Certificate;
- _____ I have attached essay.

Testing Assistance

- _____ I am physically capable of completing the practical skill exercises.
 - _____ I am able to read and comprehend the written test and related materials.
 - _____ I **will** be submitting a request for accommodation for the National Certification exam. I understand that I **MUST** contact the Certification Program Manager no later than two weeks prior to the certification exam;
- OR**
- _____ I **will not** be submitting a request for accommodation for National Certification exam.

Signature

Date