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# Minimum Standard for Accreditation (MSA)

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**Course Title:** Basic Fire Police

SFA Course Code: BFPO

**Course Length:** 16 hours **Lecture/Lab Breakdown:** 11/5

PA DOH Con-Ed Course: Con-Ed Hrs. Med/Trauma: 0 Other: 0

<u>Prerequisites:</u> Minimum age of 18 by first day of class; certificate for IS-100.B: Introduction to Incident Command System, ICS-100.

**Referenced Text(s):** Basic Fire Police Student Manual – Fall 2015. The manual is copyrighted and cannot be reproduced without permission from the PA State Fire Academy. The Somerset/Cambria County Fire Police Association has the rights to duplicate and distribute this manual for courses.

**Course Goal:** To prepare persons selected to be fire police officers to understand how to operate and perform the basic duties of the position.

<u>Course Description:</u> This course provides instruction on the proper method to be appointed, the laws pertaining to fire police, fire police powers, and the expected duties of a new fire police officer.

<u>Description of Methodology:</u> A combination of lecture, discussion, demonstration, and supervised hands-on practice.

#### **Student Equipment & Supplies:**

- 1. Student Training manual Basic Fire Police (*PA State Fire Academy in possession of the student throughout the entire course*);
- 2. Pen/pencil, notebook suitable for classroom/field use;
- 3. Personal protective clothing to include head protection, vest, whistle, badge, proper footwear for outside activities, flashlight and gloves.

**Equipment/Audiovisual/Facility/Supply Requirements:** LCD Projector,

Computer, Appropriate lecture area. Appropriate practical demonstration/practice area. Traffic cones (28"), stop paddles, flags, whistle, flashlight with red luminaire, road closed signs, radios.

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**Special Notes & Conditions:** Minimum enrollment: 12 students; maximum enrollment: 20 students (can be extended to 24 provided adequate instructors and equipment are available). The student-instructor ratio of 8 to 1 shall be maintained during all practical exercises based on the total student enrollment of the class.

The student will need to review the student manual in order to be able to meet the objectives of the program and to successfully complete the written and practical skills testing, and thus receive a certificate of completion.

#### **Course Outline**

<u>Time</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Notes</u>
0:30	Lesson 1: Program Introduction, Code of Ethics	Slides 1 - 6
1:00	Lesson 2: Special Fire Police Law and Authorization	Slides 7 - 33
1:00	Lesson 3: Proper Attire and Identification	Slides 34 - 50
2.30	Lesson 4: Safety Concerns	Slides 51 - 118
1:00	Lesson 5: Organization	Slides 119 - 131
1.00	Lesson 6: Radio Communications	Slides 132 - 143
3.00	Lesson 7: Traffic Control and Devices	Slides 144 - 213
1:00	De-brief, wrap-up, test	
5.00	Practical Skill Exercises	
	(Radios, taper, close intersection, alternating traffic)	Slides 214-216

<u>Competency Evaluation Mechanism:</u> Successful completion of practical skills as verified by the lead instructor, and a 25-question written test administered by the instructor after completion of the classroom portion of the class.

**Learning Outcomes (Behavioral Objectives):** Upon completion of the course, the student will demonstrate to the satisfaction of the instructor that he/she is able to:

- 1. Define the legislation and authority to work with fire and police departments and to determine who and how you can become a fire police officer.
- 2. Identify minimum attire and equipment utilized by a fire police officer.
- 3. Identify and set up traffic and access control points to include safety and how to protect of the fire police officer.
- 4. Demonstrate point-shoulder traffic control and stop and slow paddles.
- 5. Demonstrate the use Temporary Traffic Control (TTC) devices.

Questions/Comments: Please contact the Assistant State Fire Academy
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