

ALABAMA FIRE COLLEGE AND  
PERSONNEL STANDARDS COMMISSION  
ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

CHAPTER 360-X-16  
REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFIED FIRE DEPARTMENT SAFETY OFFICER

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(1) Requirements

(a) The candidate must be a Certified Fire Officer I.

(b) Examination. There will be an examination for state certification for each level of progression provided by the Alabama Fire College and Personnel Standards Commission.

1. An overall score of 70% is required for the successful completion of this examination.

2. Re-test may be taken after 30 days and within 12 months of course completion.

3. All certification testing, to include re-testing, must be completed within 12 months of the course completion date.

(2) Administration

(a) Scope. This standard identifies the professional levels of competence required of the Fire Department Safety Officer: Health and Safety Officer.

(b) Purpose. The purpose of this standard is to specify, in terms of performance objectives, the minimum requirements of professional competence required for service as a Fire Department Safety Officer: Health and Safety Officer. It is not the intent of this standard to restrict any jurisdiction from exceeding these minimum requirements.

(c) General

1. The candidate shall meet all of the requirements for this standard before being certified as Fire Department Safety Officer: Health and Safety Officer.

2. Each performance objective for the Fire Department Safety Officer: Health and Safety officer shall be performed swiftly, safely, and with competence. Each objective shall be met in its entirety.

3. It is not required for the objectives to be mastered in the order they appear.

(3) Objectives. The objectives of this standard are based on the ability of the Fire Department Safety Officer: Health and Safety Officer to demonstrate knowledge and skills as outlined in the Alabama Fire College and Personnel Standards Commission Teaching Outline for Fire Department Safety Officer: Health and Safety Officer, current edition.

(4) Alternative Certification

(a) Individuals not certified to the Fire Officer I level completing equivalent coursework as approved by the Commission are eligible for alternative certification under the following conditions:

1. Alabama state licensed Emergency Medical Technicians certified to the EMS or Rescue Officer I level may be certified as EMS Health and Safety Officer.

2. Individuals certified to the EMS or Rescue Officer I level and able to demonstrate particular competence in the area of rescue operations may be certified as Rescue Health and Safety Officer.

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**Certified Fire Department Safety Officer:  
Incident Safety Officer.**

(1) Requirements

(a) The candidate must be a certified Fire Officer I.

(b) Examination. There will be an examination for state certification for each level of progression provided by the Alabama Fire College and Personnel Standards Commission.

1. An overall score of 70% is required for the successful completion of this examination.
2. Re-test may be taken after 30 days and within 12 months of course completion.
3. All certification testing, to include re-testing, must be completed within 12 months of the course completion date.

(2) Administration

(a) Scope. This standard identifies the professional levels of competence required of the Fire Department Safety Officer: Incident Safety Officer.

(b) Purpose. The purpose of this standard is to specify, in terms of performance objectives, the minimum requirements of professional competence required for service as a Fire Department Safety Officer: Incident Safety Officer. It is not the intent of this standard to restrict any jurisdiction from exceeding these minimum requirements.

(c) General

1. The candidate shall meet all of the requirements for this standard before being certified as Fire Department Safety Officer: Incident Safety Officer.
2. Each performance objective for the Fire Department Safety Officer: Incident Safety Officer shall be performed swiftly, safely, and with competence. Each objective shall be met in its entirety.
3. It is not required for the objectives to be mastered in the order they appear.

(3) Objectives. The objectives of this standard are based on the ability of the Fire Department Safety Officer: Incident Safety Officer to demonstrate knowledge and skills as outlined in the Alabama Fire College and Personnel Standards Commission Teaching Outline for Fire Department Safety Officer: Incident Safety Officer, current edition.

(4) Alternative Certification.

(a) Individuals not certified to the Fire Officer I level completing equivalent coursework as approved by the Commission

are eligible for alternative certification under the following conditions:

1. Alabama state licensed Emergency Medical Technicians certified to the EMS or Rescue Officer I level may be certified as EMS Incident Safety Officer.
2. Individuals certified to the EMS or Rescue Officer I level and able to demonstrate particular competence in the area of rescue operations may be certified as Rescue Incident Safety Officer.

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