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TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

Control: 360
Department or Agency: Alabama Fire College and Personnel Standards Commission
Rule No.: 360-X-2-.06
Rule Title: Certified Fire Support Person
Intended Action: New

Would the absence of the proposed rule significantly harm or endanger the public health, welfare, or safety? Yes

Is there a reasonable relationship between the state's police power and the protection of the public health, safety, or welfare? Yes

Is there another, less restrictive method of regulation available that could adequately protect the public? No

Does the proposed rule have the effect of directly or indirectly increasing the costs of any goods or services involved? No

To what degree?: N/A

Is the increase in cost more harmful to the public than the harm that might result from the absence of the proposed rule? No

Are all facets of the rule-making process designed solely for the purpose of, and so they have, as their primary effect, the protection of the public? Yes

Does the proposed action relate to or affect in any manner any litigation which the agency is a party to concerning the subject matter of the proposed rule? No

Does the proposed rule have an economic impact? No

If the proposed rule has an economic impact, the proposed rule is required to be accompanied by a fiscal note prepared in accordance with subsection (f) of Section 41-22-23, Code of Alabama 1975.

Certification of Authorized Official

I certify that the attached proposed rule has been proposed in full compliance with the requirements of Chapter 22, Title 41, Code of Alabama 1975, and that it conforms to all applicable filing requirements of the Administrative Procedure Division of the Legislative Services Agency.

Signature of certifying officer

David M. Russell
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REC'D & FILED

Date

Wednesday, October 22, 2020 OCT 23, 2025

LEGISLATIVE SVC AGENCY

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**ALABAMA FIRE COLLEGE AND
PERSONNEL STANDARDS COMMISSION**

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME: Alabama Fire College Personnel Standards and
Education Commission

RULE NO. & TITLE: 360-X-2-.06 Certified Fire Support Person

INTENDED ACTION: New

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION:

The addition of this section of Administrative Code comports with the National Fire Protection Association 1010 standard for the addition of fire support person, allowing a member of a fire department to assist in a non-hazardous environment. This level lowers the physical and training demand barriers to entry into the fire service allowing the candidate to operate in a fire ground support role.

TIME, PLACE AND MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS:

Interested persons may present their views orally or in writing to the Director of the Alabama Fire College and Personnel Standards & Education Commission, 2501 Phoenix Drive, Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35405, at any time from November 26, 2025 through January 21, 2026.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE:

Wednesday, January 21, 2026

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(Signature of officer authorized
to promulgate and adopt
rules or his or her deputy)

(1) Entrance Requirements

(a) Prior to entering the certification course, the candidate shall meet the Entrance Requirements set out in NFPA 1010, *Standard for Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications*, as adopted by the Commission which shall be met by the following:

1. The candidate must be able to read, write and communicate the English language.

2. The candidate must be a minimum age of 18 years.

(2) Certification Requirements

(a) Prior to certification, the candidate shall be certified to the Hazardous Materials: Awareness Level.

(3) Instructor Requirements

(a) This course must be taught by an instructor who has been certified and approved by the Commission as a Fire Instructor.

(4) Course description

(a) This course consists of specific knowledge and skill objectives as identified in the Alabama Fire College and

Personnel Standards & Education Commission Curriculum for
Fire Support Person, current edition.

(5) Examinations

(a) Course Assessments

1. The instructor shall administer to the candidate a written test prepared and distributed to the instructor by the Commission at the end of each subject area of the course. The candidate must achieve a minimum of 70% on each end-of-subject examination.

2. The instructor shall train and assess each job performance requirement (JPR) during the course.

(b) State Certification Examinations

1. State certification examinations for Fire Support Person will be administered by the Alabama Fire College and Personnel Standards & Education Commission.

(i) Cognitive Examination

(I) Cognitive examinations for Fire Support Person shall be conducted in-person and under the supervision of Alabama Fire College approved test proctors/ evaluators.

(II) An overall score of 70% is required for the successful completion of this examination.

(ii) Skills Examination

(I) Skills examinations for Fire Support Person shall be conducted in-person and under the supervision of Alabama Fire College approved test proctors/evaluators and assessed on a pass/fail basis.

(II) Two skill attempts are allowed on initial skills test day and re-tests may be taken after 30 days and within 12 months of the date of course completion.

2. Re-test may be taken after 30 days of the date of the original examination for state certification and within 12 months of course completion.

(6) Administration

(a) Scope. This standard identifies the performance requirements necessary to perform the duties of a Fire Support Person.

(b) Purpose. The purpose of this standard is to specify the minimum job performance requirements for a Fire Support Person. It is not the intent of this standard to restrict any jurisdiction from exceeding these requirements.

(c) General

1. Each performance objective shall be performed safely, competently, and in its entirety.

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

3. The Fire Support Person shall meet all of the objectives for Fire Support Person before being certified at that level.

(7) Objectives

(a) The objectives of this standard are based on the ability of the Certified Fire Support Person to demonstrate knowledge and skills as outlined in the Alabama Fire College and Personnel Standards & Education Commission Curriculum for Fire Support Person, current edition.

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Statutory Authority: Code of Ala. 1975, §§36-32-1, 36-32-12

History: New Rule: Published _____; effective _____.