




Minimum Fire Training Standard "Playbook"

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History:


- From 2003 to 2014 (Standard was NFPA)

Issue:

- Scope of requirements
- Liability issues in meeting standard


Solution:

- Playbook based upon "Competencies" from NFPA



Benefits of Playbook:

- Recognizes local government determines its chosen services
- Allows the training requirements to be matched to the actual service being provided
- Resources can be focused – avoids unnecessary training for services not be provided
- Provides the ability to deliver more in-house training to reduce costs and improve accessibility to training



Authority Having Jurisdiction: (AHJ)

"For the purposes of this document the AHJ is any local government or other entity or organization that provides fire services in British Columbia"

- ✓ Municipal or Regional Government
- ✓ Society or non-registered group providing fire service without oversight


Key aspect is the exercise of control over the delivery of fire services.

- What about financial support "only"?



Key AHJ Requirements:


- ❖ Determine which of 3 Levels of Service matches your service choices (Exterior, Interior, Full Service)
- ❖ Indicate your level of service via Bylaw or Policy Decision
- ❖ Ensure training plan meets the requirements of the Level
- ❖ Keep adequate records to show how training meets the standard for your level of service
- ❖ Due Diligence in implementing training



Risk Management Officer:


"Administrative position"

- Deals with non-fireground administrative matters
- This function does NOT replace the fireground safety officer responsibilities
- Applies to Exterior Level departments
- By default the Fire Chief handles risk management for a fire department




Impacts:

- **Financial** – This gives the ability to avoid unnecessary training
 - * Not a blank cheque – Training requirements are clear
- **Mutual Aid** – This will allow for clear understanding of training levels of neighbouring FD's
- **Records** – May be impacts depending on state of current records management



Effect on Service:

1. Always some flux in how many trained / to what level. Due to retirements/new members.
2. Service level determines what you are telling community you will deliver.
3. Your training plan/process needs to reflect the service level identified.
4. What can be done at any incident is always dependent on the resources available at the time. No change.



QUESTIONS?