Information Bulletin

Effective April 1, 2011, in order to obtain equivalency or reciprocity for training completed outside the New York State Fire Training Program for the State fire training courses listed below, national certification to the corresponding National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Professional Qualification Standard is required.

New York State Fire Training Course	NFPA Professional Qualification Standard
Firefighter I	NFPA 1001, Chapter 5 Firefighter I
Firefighter II	NFPA 1001, Chapter 6 Firefighter II
Fire Officer I	NFPA 1021, Chapter 4 Fire Officer I
Fire Officer II	NFPA 1021, Chapter 5 Fire Officer II
Fire and Emergency Services Instructor I	NFPA 1041, Chapter 4 Fire Instructor I
Fire and Emergency Services Instructor II	NFPA 1041, Chapter 5 Fire Instructor II
Fire Officer III	NFPA 1021, Chapter 6 Fire Officer III
Fire Officer IV	NFPA 1021, Chapter 7 Fire Officer IV
Fire Inspector I	NFPA 1031, Chapter 4 Fire Inspector I
Fire Inspector II	NFPA 1031, Chapter 5 Fire Inspector II

This requirement can be met in two ways:

- 1. Training which has been nationally certified by agencies accredited by the National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications (Pro Board) or the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC) will be recognized upon verification by the issuing agency.
- 2. Training, which is not already nationally certified, will require successful completion of the national certification testing offered by the Office of Fire Prevention and Control or other testing agency accredited by either the Pro Board or IFSAC. To determine whether the training requirements for participation in national certification testing have been met, proof of completion and course description and/or syllabus information should be submitted to the Office of Fire Prevention and Control at:

NYS Office of Fire Prevention and Control Standards Unit 1220 Washington Avenue, Bldg. 7A, 2nd Fl. Albany, N.Y. 12226

Additional information about OFPC's national certification testing program is available at:

www.dhses.ny.gov/national-certifications