

MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 1, 2014
TO: Kansas Fire Service Members
FROM: Glenn Pribbenow, Director
SUBJECT: National Certification Fees Effective January 1, 2015

In 2003, the Kansas Fire & Rescue Training Institute was granted funding that has provided tens of thousands of hours of training for Kansas firefighters. The Fire Service Training Commission asked the Institute to continue charging fees for national certification in order to focus our primary funding on providing training. The intent of certification fees is to recover the direct costs of conducting certification exams. Other operating costs for the program are paid from regular funds. Certification exam fees only cover the direct costs of conducting certification exams.

The last time the Institute adjusted certification fees was on January 1, 2011. Due to rising costs, it has become necessary to assess a small increase in certification fees. This increase will ensure that we continue covering the costs of conducting certification exams. Fees for Kansas emergency responders have been increased by \$5 per certification. National certification fees for Non-Kansas Fire Service Responders has also been increased a small amount. These new fees are listed on the following pages and will become effective January 1, 2015.

2015 Certification Fee Schedule Attached

**Kansas Fire & Rescue Training Institute
National Certification Program Fee Schedule
Revised Effective January 1, 2015**

KANSAS EMERGENCY RESPONDERS CERTIFICATION FEES

Certification fees listed below apply to active Kansas public sector emergency responders. Emergency responders include members of publicly funded fire departments, law enforcement agencies, EMS providers and county/state emergency management organizations. Contact the KF&RTI for details or clarifications of this policy.

Certification Fee: \$35

Hazardous Materials Awareness

Certification Fee: \$60

Fire Fighter I*

Fire Fighter II

Airport Fire Fighter

Instructor I

Instructor II

Inspector I

Fire Officer I

Fire Officer II

Hazardous Materials Operations

Hazardous Materials Technician

* Hazardous Materials Awareness and Hazardous Materials Operations will continue to be tested as part of the Fire Fighter I exam for the single fee of \$60.

Certification Fee: \$85

Driver/Operator Pumper

Driver/Operator Aerial

Driver/Operator ARFF

Structural Collapse Rescue Technician – Levels I & II (combined)

Rope Rescue Technician – Level I

Rope Rescue Technician – Level II

Confined Space Rescue Technician – Level I & II

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NON-KANSAS EMERGENCY RESPONDERS CERTIFICATION FEES

Certification fees listed below apply to persons applying for certification who are not members of a Kansas emergency response organization. This category includes all private sector (including private fire departments/brigades) and federal military personnel. Contact the KF&RTI for details or clarifications of this policy.

Certification Fee: \$70

Hazardous Materials Awareness

Certification Fee: \$120

Fire Fighter I*

Fire Fighter II

Airport Fire Fighter

Instructor I

Instructor II

Inspector I

Fire Officer I

Fire Officer II

Hazardous Materials Awareness

Hazardous Materials Operations

** Hazardous Materials Awareness and Hazardous Materials Operations will continue to be tested as part of the Fire Fighter I exam for the single fee of \$120.*

Certification Fee: \$170

Driver/Operator Pumper

Driver/Operator Aerial

Driver/Operator ARFF

Structural Collapse Rescue Technician – Levels I & II (combined)

Rope Rescue Technician – Level I

Rope Rescue Technician – Level II

Confined Space Rescue Technician – Level I & II