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TO: Program Directors, Ohio Chartered Fire Training Institutions

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REF: Clarification of Live Fire Training Instructor Job Performance Requirements

Live fire training job performance requirements (JPRs) shall be completed *after* successfully completing the Live Fire Training –Operations Level Course.

- Students shall have successfully completed the Live Fire Training—Operations Level Course and shall have been issued a certificate of course completion to be eligible to participate in JPR/shadowing.
- Job Performance Requirements shall be completed through a chartered fire training program.
- Students successfully completing the Live Fire Training—Operations Level Course have one year from course completion to complete the required job performance requirements.

The minimum Live Fire Training Instructor job performance certification requirement shall be two (2) rotations in each job performance requirement (JPR), including Instructor, Safety Officer, and Fire Control Team; and one full day as the Lead Instructor/Incident Commander.

Because we are dealing with experienced instructors, programs can expedite the “shadowing” process without undermining safety by allowing multiple Live Fire Instructor (LFI) applicants to serve simultaneously in each position, i.e., the entire Fire Control Team may be made up of LFI applicants, multiple safety officers may be utilized during each evolution, etc. The number of LFI applicants “shadowing” the four positions should not adversely affect safety or interfere with the quality of instruction.

Please contact the Division of EMS Education Section at FireEducation@dps.ohio.gov or (614) 466-9447 with questions or concerns.

References: JPR 4.6.4 and Figure C.1 Checklist for Responsibilities of Personnel, NFPA 1403, *Standard on Live Fire Training Evolutions* (2012 Edition)

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