

CERTIFIED FIRE INVESTIGATOR

PRACTICAL SKILLS CERTIFICATION EVALUATION PACKET

(NFPA Standard 1033, 2014 Edition)

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	Fire Investigator Practical Skills Job Performance Requirements								
	(NFPA 10	033, 2014 Edition)							
Skill Sheet #	Tasks	NFPA Reference	Certification JPR Requirement: 11- Mandatory 3- Random (13 Total)						
<u>CFI 1</u>	Secure fire ground	4.2.1	Random						
<u>CFI 2</u>	Conduct an exterior survey	4.2.2	Mandatory						
CFI 3	Conduct interior survey	4.2.3	Mandatory						
<u>CFI 4</u>	Interpret fire patterns	4.2.2;4.2.4	Mandatory						
<u>CFI 5</u>	Analyze fire patterns	4.2.5	Mandatory						
<u>CFI 6</u>	Examine fire debris	4.2.6	Random						
<u>CFI 7</u>	Reconstruct fire scene	4.2.7	Random						
<u>CFI 8</u>	Inspect building systems	4.2.8	Random						
<u>CFI 9</u>	Identify explosive effects	4.2.9	Random						
<u>CFI 10</u>	Diagram fire scene	4.3.1	Mandatory						
<u>CFI 11</u>	Photograph fire scene	4.3.2	Mandatory						
<u>CFI 12</u>	Construct investigative notes	4.3.3	Mandatory						
<u>CFI 13</u>	Victim/fatality management	4.4.1	Random						
<u>CFI 14</u>	Evidence recognition and collection	4.4.2;4.4.3;4.4.4	Mandatory						
CFI 15	Evidence disposal	4.4.5	Random						

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4.6.1; 4.6.2

4.6.3 4.6.4;4.6.5

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CFI 17

CFI 18

CFI 19

CFI 20

CFI 21

CFI 22

CFI 23 CFI 24

Develop interview plan

Evaluate interview data

Coordinate expert resources

Present investigative findings

Gather and evaluate investigative file

CFI Required Equipment Facility List for Testing for Certification

Conduct interview

Establish evidence

Prepare written report

Deliver legal testimony

Skill Sheet Packet Instruction

Purpose of the Skill Sheets

All skills listed in this packet are consistent with <u>NFPA 1033, Standard for Professional Qualifications for Fire Investigator, 2014 Edition</u>. The Alaska Fire Standards Council (AFSC) provides these skill sheets as the basis for Fire Investigator testing and certification.

Description & Use

For certification purposes, the final skill examination will consist of a series of mandatory skill stations and a selection of random skills from this packet.

- 1. These skills sheets are designed for use by the Training Officer and Certified Fire Investigator candidate. Use of this packet throughout an accredited training program will assist in verifying candidate competency and completion of the Certified Fire Investigator Training Record.
- 2. For eligibility to complete the final certification examination, a candidate must demonstrate competency in all skills during training and satisfactorily compete all items on the Certified Fire Investigator Training Record document.
- 3. This packet is designed to encompass the requisite skills for Certified Fire Investigator and many of these skill sheets are used for final testing and certification. Accreditation Managers/Training Officers and Certified Fire Investigator course instructors should utilize this evaluation packet during a course to prepare candidates for the certification exam. These skills sheets should be given to every Certified Fire Investigator candidate at the beginning of a training course and used throughout the course for ongoing evaluation by the course instructor. For a candidate's final skills evaluation, she or he must successfully perform each skill while being evaluated on performance competency by an AFSC examination representative.
- 4. The final skills examination will consist of skills selected from this packet. The AFSC office will select skill sheets from the mandatory and random skills categories. This packet contains a list of all mandatory and randomly selected skills that are used for the final examination.
- 5. Random skill stations will be selected using a test management system within the AFSC office. The random skill stations are selected just prior to the test date. The Certifying Officer will notify candidates which skills they will be required to complete at the start of the practical skills portion on the date of the examination.
- 6. The completion of the Certified Fire Investigator Training Record establishes a candidate's eligibility to test. This document must be fully completed and signed by the Accreditation Manager/Training Officer or designee for each candidate before a candidate can begin the final skills examination. The Certified Fire Investigator I Training Record and the practical skills evaluation sheets shall become a permanent part of the candidate's local training record, and this information shall be kept on file in accordance with local fire department procedures.

Grading Criteria

1. The AFSC test approval process requires that all of the listed skill sheet elements are taught and evaluated by the Certified Fire Investigator instructor throughout a course. During the final skills exam the candidate must be prepared to perform all the skills listed in this packet. There are no specific critical points designated within the practical skill sheets, and the Certifying Officer (CO) will require the candidate to repeat an individual practical skill station if *all* of the listed skill items on a selected sheet are not completed by the candidate.

- 2. This packet contains skill requirements that involve the demonstration of fire investigator skills within "simulated" fire scenarios related to fire investigative activities. When applicable, skill sheets specifically describe when simulated fire conditions are permitted for certification testing.
- 3. Regardless of which final examination skills are selected, there are critical performance items that must be followed for satisfactory performance. Examples of unsatisfactory performance can include:
 - a. Exceeding limitations: time, safety, and equipment limitations
 - b. Inadequate/insufficient personal protective equipment
 - c. Lack of skill accuracy and task completion as defined on the skill evaluation sheet
 - d. Poor judgment in skill performance (i.e.- wrong application of tool or equipment or safety violation)
 - e. Failure to appropriately apply basic fire investigator knowledge as defined in the standard
 - f. Not competent in the specified task or skill steps
 - g. Outcome of the specified task is in doubt (i.e.- incorrectly performed or did not accomplish skill evaluation criteria)
 - h. Need for Evaluator intervention (i.e.- imminent health or safety risk to candidate or others)
 - i. Failure to adhere to basic safety principles or guidelines

Artificialities of Training and Testing

Training and testing for Certified Fire Investigator can only approximate the "real world" activities of a fire investigator's duties. There are certain artificialities to training and testing that the candidate must be able to adapt to, and simulations during the final examination are often necessary to complete the required practical skill scenarios. Candidates must be aware that "real world" situations cannot be completely duplicated during final examination scenarios. For the best possible outcome during final skills examination, Certified Fire Investigator instructors must prepare the candidates to competently perform the skills listed in this packet throughout a training course.

Final Skills Evaluation

The AFSC designated Certifying Officer (CO) conducts the final evaluation and utilizes the practical skills evaluation sheets during the final examination process. Throughout the final examination, the CO has the overall test site authority and is required to perform his or her duties as outlined in the <u>Certification Policy Manual</u>.

For preparation of the final examination the designated CO must coordinate with the Accreditation Manager/Training Officer, or designee, to ensure an adequate test site location is available. The Accreditation Manager/Training Officer is responsible for preparation of all test site equipment/materials and arranging designated evaluators for the date of the practical examination. The CO must verify that all required elements are adequate for testing and will approve all designated Evaluators. Designated Evaluators shall receive training appropriate for the test site and are required to complete an Evaluator Code of Ethics Compliance Agreement agreement before testing begins.

The CO shall verify completion of the final examination packet, and the packet will be attached to the Certified Fire Investigator Training Record as part of the candidate's permanent local training record.

Emergency Medical Care and Hazardous Materials Requirements

There are no specific Emergency Medical Care requirements to be certified at this level.

For the Hazardous Materials requirement an individual must complete the <u>CFITrainer.net</u> <u>HAZWOPER Standard</u> under the AKFIT certification.

Additional Notes:

- 1. During the final practical examination it is expected that an appropriate uniform, or full personal protective equipment (PPE), shall be worn unless otherwise indicated within the skill evaluation sheet.
- 2. During some scenarios a candidate may be instructed to perform other fire investigator tasks not directly related to the specific skill sheet evaluation being tested. It is expected that the candidate shall perform all related skills correctly.
- 3. Some skills may include a time limit. An Evaluator may use a digital or analog watch/stopwatch for final skills evaluation. Prior to the start of the practical examination, the CO must inspect and approve all timing devices used during final skills evaluations.
- 4. Some skills require that equipment or documentation be used within the final skills examination. Unless otherwise indicated, it is permissible for the candidate to prepare or assemble the required equipment or paperwork at any time, provided that this does not interfere with the core skill, task, or evolution.
- 5. Candidates must be prepared to complete skills under a variety of conditions. Training and skills practice is often done during optimum conditions, but candidates must be prepared to adapt to changing conditions that can occur in actual fire scene situations. The Evaluator ultimately determines if the candidate has met the criteria specified on the skill(s) being evaluated.
- 6. For final examination, the performance of a skill, task, or evolution is not required to be done in the exact order of the steps (as outlined on the skill sheet), unless it is critical to a particular task. For example, a person must don turnout gear before donning an SCBA.
- 7. Some scenarios may involve skills that must be performed as a team. During final skills examinations Evaluators and candidates must be cognizant that each team member is evaluated separately to ensure individual criteria is met. An individual candidate may be required to repeat a task if they do not satisfy the skill sheet requirements if working as a member of a team.
- 8. Some skills may require that a candidate verbalizes information about a particular task or procedure. In such cases, any question(s) from the Evaluator to the candidate must be limited to those that satisfy the criteria listed on the skill sheet, and a question cannot exceed the scope the Certified Fire Investigator requirements.

Certified Fire Investigator Final Written and Practical Examinations

Following is a brief outline of the reference materials and documents that are used for a Certified Fire Investigator final examination:

Certified Fire Investigator Written Material References

- a. NFPA 1033: Standard for Professional Qualifications for Fire Investigators, 2014 edition
- b. NFPA 921: Guide for Fire and Explosion Investigations, 2008 edition
- c. Text (each of the following text is only partially referenced and cannot be used as a stand-alone resource for written exam preparation)
 - Jones and Bartlett, Fire Investigator, Principles and Practice, 5th Edition

Certified Fire Investigator Practical Skills Evaluation References

- a. NFPA 1033 Standard for Professional Qualifications for Fire Investigators, 2014 edition
- b. Certified Fire Investigator Practical Skills Evaluation Sheets (this packet)

Final Examination Steps

- a. *Certified Fire Investigator Training Record review (this must be completed and signed off by the Accreditation Manager/Training Officer or designee prior to the date of the final examination and reviewed by the CO to ensure all elements are complete.
- b. Certifying Officer reviews and signs candidate Application for Certification
- c. Candidate completes the written examination administered by the CO
- d. Candidate completes the practical examination administered by the CO.
- e. Certifying Officer reviews completed Evaluator skill sheets and transfers information to the <u>Practical</u> Examination Reporting Form (PERF)
- f. Written exam, PERF, and signed application are forwarded to AFSC.
- g. AFSC Certified Fire Investigator certificate is issued upon successful completion of the written and practical exam (*within approximately 30 days of test date*)

*Note: The candidate's completed Training Record and signed Final Examination skill sheets shall be placed in the candidate's local training file in accordance with fire department procedures

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STA	NDARD: 1	NFPA 1033: 4.2.1 (B)					SKILL	AREA	: Seci	ure Fi	re Gr	ound
perin	neters of th	ndidate shall be able to properly sec e investigative scene and are kept for destruction.										eted
		CE OUTCOME: The candidate with potential evidence and limit access		use mar	king devices	s and/or b	arrier ta	ape to s	ecure t	he gene	eral are	ea of
EQU	IPMENT:	Marking devices, sufficient person	nel	l, and s	tandard fire	investigat	or tools	and eq	uipme	nt.		
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2.		eneral area of origin										
3.		ith ribbon or similar marking device							Щ	Щ	Щ	Щ
3.		rate basic understanding of spoliation	on									\vdash
4.		rea of origin and potential evidence							Н		Н	
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STA	NDARD:	NFPA 1033: 4.2.2(B)				Sĸ	ILL A	REA:	Exteri	ior Su	rvey
		ct an exterior survey so that ccessibility to the property is									
effect	ts of the fir	CE OUTCOME: The candi e, interpret fire patterns, iden oto log where exterior photos	tify poter	ntial evidence, en							
EQU	IPMENT:	Simulated fire scene and sta	andard fir	e investigator eq	uipment and	d tools.					
Con	DITIONS	: Given standard equipment	and tools	the candidate sh	all demonst	rate the	ability	to:			
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1.	Complete	e a 360 degree survey									
2.	Note any	safety hazards, including gas	s, electric	, unsafe structure	e, etc.						
3.	Enter on	log where photos would be to	aken								
4.	Isolate ar	nd mark potential evidence, if	f found								
5.		ress and egress points									
6.	Appropri	ately document observations									
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STA	NDARD:	NFPA 1033: 4.2.3(B)		SKIL	L ARI	EA: Co	nduct	Interi	ior Su	ırvey
		ct an interior survey so that areas of po he evidentiary value of contents is det		•						tified
fire,	discover the	CE OUTCOME: The candidate will a impact of fire suppression efforts on resence and/or absence of contents.								the
EQU	IPMENT:	Simulated fire scene and standard fire	re inves	tigator equipment and	d tools.					
Con	DITIONS	Given standard equipment and tools	the car	ndidate shall demonst	rate the	ability	to:			
No.		TASK STEPS			TI	EST	RETI	EST 1	RET	EST 2
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1.	Properly	complete interior survey (from least to	maged area)							
2.	Note any	safety hazards, including gas, electric	, unsaf	e structure, etc.						
3.		on photo log where photos would be ta		•						
4.	Discover propagati	the impact of fire suppression efforts on	on fire	flow and heat						
5.	Isolate an	d mark potential evidence, if found								
6.	Observe /	note entry and exit points								
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STA	NDARD:	NFPA 1033: 4.2.4(B), 4.2.2(E	3)	Ski	ILL ARE	A: Int	terpre	t Fire	Patt	erns
mater	rial involve	et fire patterns so that each in d and in context and relations the pattern								
PER mater		CE OUTCOME: The candid	date will interp	pret the effects of burni	ng charact	eristics	s on dif	ferent	types	of
EQU	JIPMENT:	Simulated fire scene and sta	ndard fire inv	estigator equipment and	d tools.					
	CONDITIONS: Given standard equipment and tools and some structural or content remains the candidate shall emonstrate the ability to:									
No.	TASK STEPS TEST RETEST 1 RETEST 2									
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1.	Obtain fi	e suppression briefing								
2.	Observe a	and document burn patterns								
3.		and document different fire ef at least two effects)	ffect such as m	nelting and smoke						
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STA	NDARD:	NFPA 1033: 4.2.5(B)	Sk	KILL AR	EA:	Analyze Fi	re Patto	erns		
		et and analyze fire patterns so that fire d origin area patterns are recognized, and					pression	are		
consi	deration gi	CE OUTCOME: The candidate will in ven to heat release rate, form, and ignitinally and synthesize information.						ate		
EQU rema		Simulated fire scene, standard fire inve	estigator equipment and too	ols, and so	ome s	tructural or c	ontent			
	ONDITIONS: Given standard equipment and tools and some structural or content remains the candidate shall monstrate the ability to:									
No.		TASK STEPS TEST RETEST 1 RETEST 2								
				P	F	P F	P	F		
1.	Using bu	rn patterns and effects, note or sketch the	e fire scene							
2.	Interpret	burn patterns as to movement and intens	sity							
3.	Indicate p	oath of fire development								
4.	Identify a	area(s) of origin								
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STA	NDARD:	NFPA 1033: 4.2.6(B)	S	KILL	AREA:	Exan	nine F	ire D	ebris	
		ne and remove fire debris so that all deb d evidence is preserved without investig				ential i	gnition	source	e(s)	
evide	ence and ign	CE OUTCOME: The candidate will entition sources use search techniques that	t incorporate documentatio	n, and o						
EQU	ЛРМЕNT:	Simulated fire scene and standard fire	investigator equipment and	l tools						
Con	NDITIONS:	Given standard equipment and tools the	he candidate shall demonst	rate the	ability	to:				
No.		TASK STEPS TEST 1 RETEST 2								
				P	F	P	F	P	F	
1.	Systemati	ically remove fire debris								
2.	Identify a	and protect items of evidence								
3.	Identify a	and protect area of origin								
4.	Evaluate contents	protected areas to determine the presence	ce and/or absence of							
5.	Indicate p	ossible ignition source								
Evo	luator:		Retest Evaluato	r 1:						
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STA	NDARD: 1	NFPA 1033: 4.2.7(B)	SKI	ILL AR	EA: R	Reconstruct	Fire Scene			
or str	uctural rem	truct the area of origin so that all protect ains, items potentially critical to cause of the area(s) or point(s) of origin is disco	letermination and photo de							
distin		CE OUTCOME: The candidate will exing different types of fire-damaged content terms.								
	EQUIPMENT: Simulated fire scene, standard fire investigator equipment and tools, some structural or content remains, assistant/support personnel (if needed), and other special equipment and tools.									
	CONDITIONS: Given standard and special equipment and tools as well as sufficient personnel the candidate shall emonstrate the ability to:									
No.		TASK STEPS		TE	СТ	DETECT 1	DETECT 4			
110.		TASK STEPS		P	F	P F	P F			
1.	Provide b	riefing to assistant or support personnel			П					
2.		ontents and reconstruct scene								
3.	Identify a	nd distinguish among different types of	fire-damaged contents							
4.		t scene with photo log, sketch, or notes								
5.	Indicate p	oint(s) of origin								
E	l 4		Retest Evaluato	or 1:						
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STA	NDARD:	NFPA 1033: 4.2.8(B) [A4.2.8]	Skili	L ARE A	A: Ins	pect B	uildin	g Syst	tems
comp on fir	oartmentation	the performance of building systems, incon, so that a determination can be made a nd spread is considered in identifying origal as a fire cause is recognized.	as to the need for expert res	sources,	, an ope	erating	system	's impa	act
	itions to, an	CE OUTCOME: The candidate will det ad failure indicators of, building systems;							ify
		Simulated fire scene, standard fire invest lequipment and tools.	stigator equipment and too	ols, som	e struct	ural or	conten	t rema	ins,
Con	DITIONS	Given standard and special equipment a	and tools the candidate sha	all demo	onstrate	the ab	ility to:		
No.		TASK STEPS		TE	ST	RETI	EST 1	RETI	EST 2
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1.	Locate ut	ilities, HVAC, and detection system							
2.	Inspect ex	xterior and interior system components							
3.	Evaluate	all systems as to potential effect on fire o	origin						
4.		all systems as to potential effect on fire g							
5.	Note whi	ch, if any, experts will be needed for furth	her evaluation						
6.	Documen	t any systems that failed or were defeated	d/tampered with						
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STA	NDARD:	NFPA 1033: 4.2.9(B)			Si	KILL A	REA	A: Ide	ntify I	Explos	ive Ef	fects
	K: Discrir	ninate the effects of exp erved.	losions from o	other type	es of damage so	that an	exp	losion i	s ident	ified an	d its	
build		CE OUTCOME: The colls; distinguish between										
		Simulated fire scene, s l equipment and tools.	tandard fire in	vestigato	r equipment an	d tools,	son	ne struct	tural or	conten	t rema	ins,
Con	NDITIONS	Given standard equipr	nent and tools	the cand	idate shall dem	onstrate	the	ability	to:			
No.	TASK STEPS TEST RETEST 1 RETEST 2											
							P	F	P	F	P	F
1.	Identify t	ype of explosion (back-o	draft, fuel gas,	, bomb, e	tc.)							
2.	•	haracteristics of explosi		debris fie	ld, etc.	[
3.		evidence protection pro	ocedures									
4.		t findings					<u>_</u>					
5.		scene as to origin				_	<u> </u>	ᆜ	4	닏	Щ	Щ
6.	Evaluate	scene as to potential cau	ise									
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STA	NDARD:	NFPA 1033: 4.3.1(B)				SKILL	AREA	: Dia	gram]	Fire S	cene
		m the scene so that the ca(s) or point(s) of original			d and eviden	ce, perti	nent cor	ntents,	signific	ant	
		CE OUTCOME: The ition and observations		demonstrate th	e ability to sl	ketch the	e scene,	basic o	lrafting	skills,	and
		Simulated fire scene l equipment and tools		vestigator equ	pment and to	ols, som	e struct	ural or	conten	t rema	ins,
Con	DITIONS	Given standard equ	ipment and tools	the candidate	shall demons	trate the	ability 1	to:			
No.			TASK STEPS			TE	ST	RET	EST 1	RET	EST 2
							F	P	F	P	F
1.	Diagram	includes dimensions of	of scene						П		П
2.		includes relative locat		s and doors							
3.		includes at least one i									
4.	Diagram	includes pertinent cor	ntents								
5.	•	shows important burn									
6.	Diagram	indicates area(s) of or	rigin								
7.		has a legend including orth), NTS (not to scale		ene location, di	rectional						
Б				Ret	est Evaluato	or 1:					
Eval	luator:			Ret	est Evaluato	or 2:					
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	Certifying Officer Signature Pass (P): Fail (F):										

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NFP.	A 1033- 2	014 Ed. PRACTICA	L SKILL REQUIRE	MENT	ΓS			<u>CFI</u>	<u>- 11</u>	
STA	NDARD:	NFPA 1033: 4.3.2(B) A4.3.2	SK	ILL A R	EA: P	Photog	raph l	Fire S	cene	
TAS findin		raphically document the scene, so that	the scene is accurately depi	cted and	l the ph	otograp	ohs sup	port sc	ene	
acces	ssories to ca	CE OUTCOME: The candidate will capture exterior and interior fire scene are to supplement visual documentation can	nd complete photo log accor	rdingly.					nd	
		Simulated fire scene, standard fire invl equipment and tools.	vestigator equipment and too	ols, som	e struct	ural or	conten	t rema	ins,	
Con	DITIONS	Given standard equipment and tools	the candidate shall demonst	rate the	ability	to:				
No.		TASK STEPS	TEST RETEST 1 RETEST P F P F P F							
1.	Photogra	oh exterior from all necessary angles ar	nd distances						П	
2.	 	oh interior from all necessary angles ov								
3.	Photogra	ph pertinent patterns and evidence								
4.	Use size i	references with photos if necessary								
5.	Complete	photo log accordingly								
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STA	NDARD:	NFPA 1033: 4.3.3(B)	SKILL AR	REA:	Constru	uct Investi	gative Notes			
		uct investigative notes and interview i				rovide furth	er			
deter	mine what,	CE OUTCOME: The candidate will if any, further investigation is needed to enhance documentation.								
		Standard fire investigative tools and tion reports.	equipment, investigative not	tes, int	erview ir	nformation, a	and			
		IONS: Given a fire scene, available documents (e.g., prefire plans and inspection reports), and interview on the candidate shall demonstrate the ability to:								
No.		TASK STEPS			EST	RETEST 1				
1. 2. 3.	Identify o	locuments for completeness and accurate conflicting information the need for follow-up	acy	P □	F	P F	P F			
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STA	NDARD:	NFPA 1033: 4.4.1(B)			SKILL A	REA:	Victim	/Fatal	ity Ma	nage	ment
		proper procedures for a cedures are followed.	managing victi	ms and	fatalities so that all	evidence	e is disc	overed	and pro	eserve	d and
to a g	given situat	CE OUTCOME: The ion. This shall include d working with law enf	using proper pl	hysical	and legal procedure						
		Simulated fire scene, priate personnel, and other				ools, son	ne struc	tural or	conten	t rema	ins,
Con	DITIONS	Given a protocol and	appropriate pe	rsonnel	the candidate shall	demonst	rate the	ability	to:		
No.	TASK STEPS TEST RETEST 1 RETEST 2										
	P F								F	P	F
1.	Use prov	ided materials to note p	ossible evidend	ce							
2.		rate or verbalize collect including clothing of v		on/prote	ction methods for						
3.		lence on rough sketch,	<u>U 1</u>		ody						
4.		on photo log what photo					$\perp \Box$				
5.	Verbalize agencies	areas of overlap and c	ooperation with	h other	investigative						
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STA	NDARD: N	IFPA 1033:	4.4.2(B); .4.4.3(B); 4.4.4(B)		SKILL AREA: 1	Evidence	e Reco	gnitio	n and	Collec	ction
conta	mination ar	nd investigator	ackage evidence so that inflicted damage. Sele and maintain a chain of e is secured.	ct evid	lence for analysis so	that item	s for ar	alysis	support	specif	
deteri labora	mine wheth	er evidence is	E: The candidate will eritical to the investigat the ability to execute the	ion. E	valuate the fire inci	dent to de	termine	forens	sic, eng	ineerir	ıg, or
		Simulated fire nd evidence tag	scene, standard fire ings or logs.	vestiga	tor equipment and t	tools, evid	lence co	ollection	n matei	rials,	
		Given standa e the ability to:	rd equipment, tools, eq	uipmen	nt and all informatio	on from th	e invest	tigation	the car	ndidate	e
No.			TASK STEPS			TE	ST	RETI	EST 1	RETI	EST 2
						P	F	P	F	P	F
1.	Identify e	vidence to be c	ollected								
2.	Collect us between s		nnique (including decor	itamino	ation of tools						
3.			or the type of analysis		[
4.			ing good seal on contain								
5.			r with proper information	on		1 📙			Щ	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
6.		idence tape pro				\bot					
7.			f chain of custody			1				<u> </u>	
8.			evidence in field notes	• 1		$+ \vdash$				╝	
9.	Verbalize	type of testing	desired on collected ev	/idence	2		Ш				
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STA	NDARD:	NFPA 1033: 4.4.5(B)		SKII	LL ARE	EA: E	videnc	e Disj	posal	
	K: Dispos	se of evidence so that the disposal is timenents.	ely, safely conducted, and i	n com	pliance v	with jui	risdictio	onal or		
PER dispo		CE OUTCOME: The candidate will d	ispose of evidence in a time	ely and	l safe ma	anner a	nd docı	ıment		
	J IPMENT: mation.	Incident briefing, fire scene notes, other	er related documents, jurisd	ictiona	al or age	ency reg	gulation	ıs, and	file	
CON abilit		: Given jurisdictional or agency regulat	tions and file information th	ie cand	lidate sh	all den	nonstrat	the the		
No.	TASK STEPS TEST 1 RETEST 2									
				P	F	P	F	P	F	
1.	Review c	ase information provided								
2.	Identify 6	evidence that is subject to disposal								
3.	Verbalize	e disposal method and proper documenta	ation							
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STA	NDARD:	NFPA 1033: 4.5.1(B)	Ski	LL AF	REA: D	evelop Inte	rview	Plan				
respo	nsibility ar	op an interview plan so that the plan re nd includes a relevant questioning strat tigator's time.						cient				
the fi	re and dev	CE OUTCOME: The candidate will elopment of suspects utilizing planning of existing file data to help develop que	g skills, development of focu	ised qu								
EQU	IPMENT:	Incident briefing, fire scene notes, a	nd other related documents.									
Con	DITIONS	: Given a scenario the candidate shall	a scenario the candidate shall demonstrate the ability to:									
No.		TASK STEPS TEST RETEST 1 RETEST 2										
				P	F	P F	P	F				
1.	Review f	ire scene notes and provided documen	ts									
2.	Request a	additional information as needed										
3.	Develop	questions relevant to case file										
4.	Provide a	t least 2 interview strategies										
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STA	NDARD:	NFPA 1033: 4.5.2(B)		SKILI	L ARE	A: Co	nduct	Inter	view
		ct interviews so that pertinent informat icited, and the response to each questio			s are asl	ked, res	sponses	to all	
on de		CE OUTCOME: The candidate will casoning, interpret verbal and nonverbal skills.							
Equ	JIPMENT:	Interview room and setting, incident b	oriefing, fire scene notes, and	d other 1	related	docume	ents.		
Con	NDITIONS	TIONS: Given incident information the candidate shall demonstrate the ability to:							
No.		TASK STEPS		TE	ST	RET	EST 1	RET	EST 2
		P F P F P							F
1.	Identify v	witness							
2.	Establish	rapport							
3.	1	vant questions							
4.		follow-up questions relative to answers							
5.	Documen	nt interview and apply applicable legal	requirements						
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STA	NDARD: 1	NFPA 1033: 4.5.3(B)	Skii	L ARI	EA: Ev	aluate	e Inter	view	Data
		te interview information so that all intervious tractions and conflictive information is do					d with a	ıll othe	r
		CE OUTCOME: The candidate will dem ., first responders and other witnesses).	ionstrate data correlation	skills	and the	ability	to eval	ıate so	urce
EQU	JIPMENT:	Interview transcripts or notes, incident be	riefing, fire scene notes,	and oth	er relate	ed docu	ıments.		
Con	DITIONS:	Given interview transcripts or notes and	incident data the candid	late sha	ll demoi	nstrate	the abil	lity to:	
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No.		TASK STEPS		TI	EST	RET	EST 1	RET	EST 2
				P	F	P	F	P	F
1.	Read and	compare file notes and interview notes							
2.	Note disc	repancies and evaluate need for new infor	mation						
3.	Develop 1	new questions / leads							
4.	Documen	t new leads							
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STA	NDARD:	NFPA 1033: 4.6.1(B); 4.	6.2(B)	\$	SKILL AREA: G	Sath	er and	d Eval	uate I	nvesti	gative	File
authe inves	entic; the chatigative file	reports and records, so the ain of custody is maintain to that areas for further aterpreted, and corrobora	ined; and the r investigation	nateria are ide	al is admissible in a entified, the relatio	a lega nship	al proc betw	eeding een gat	. Evalı hered d	ate the	;	1
		CE OUTCOME: The complete and authentic a										riate
Equ	IPMENT:	Interview transcripts or	notes, inciden	nt brief	fing, fire scene not	es, ar	nd oth	er relate	ed docu	ıments.		
Con	DITIONS	Given all available file	information t	he can	didate shall demor	ıstrat	e the a	bility t	o:			
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No.	. TASK STEPS TEST RETEST 1 RETEST 2											
					P	F	P	F	P	F		
1.	Assemble	and evaluate documents	5									
2.	Filter out	unnecessary documents										
3.	Assess an	d correlate information v	within docume	ents								
4.	Request a	dditional documentation	if needed									
5.	Documen responsib	t need for expert witness ility	ses to assist in	detern	nining cause or							
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STA	NDARD:	NFPA 1033: 4.6.3 (B)	SKILL AR	REA:	Coordi	nate E	xpert	Resou	irces
finan		inate expert resources so that the exper ditures are justified, and utilization clea							
with	other inves	CE OUTCOME: The candidate will stigators to identify experts, questioning expert resources.							
Equ	ЛРМЕNT:	Interview transcripts or notes, incider	nt briefing, fire scene notes,	and ot	her relate	ed docu	ıments.		
Con	NDITIONS	: Given the investigative file, reports,	and documents the candidat	e shall	demons	trate th	e abilit	y to:	
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No.	TASK STEPS TEST RETEST 1 RETEST 2								
				P	F	P	F	P	F
1.	Review f	ire scene or provided materials.							
2.	Evaluate	and verbalize need for expert resource	S.						
3.	`	experts relative to their qualifications							
4.		now the selected expert witness will ass nor affixing responsibility	sist in the determination of						
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STA	NDARD:	NFPA 1033: 4.6.4 (I	B); 4.6.5(B)				SKILI	L ARE .	A: Est	tablisł	Evid	ence
the entire the firepor	videntiary i ire, given al rts, docume	sh evidence as to mo requirements of the j Il investigative findin nts, and evidence.	urisdiction. Form	iulato inio	e an opinion of t n regarding resp	he perso onsibilit	on(s) and ty for a f	d/or pro	oduct(s) upporte	respored by th	nsible f e recor	or ds,
		CE OUTCOME: T ill form an opinion a	_	_						borating	g evide	ence,
EQU	ЛРМЕNT:	Interview transcrip	ts or notes, incide	nt bi	riefing, fire scen	e notes,	and oth	er relate	ed docu	ıments.		
Con	NDITIONS	Given an incendia	ry fire and all inv	estig	ative findings th	e candio	date sha	ll demo	nstrate	the abi	lity to:	
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No.	TASK STEPS TEST RETEST 1 RETEST 2											
							P	F	P	F	P	F
1.	Review in	nvestigation materia	ls									
2.		e the motive or oppo analysis as indicated		endia	ary fire, includir	ng a						
3.	List supp	orting documents or	evidence for dete	rmir	nation of motive							
4.	Formulat	e an opinion as to th	e person and/or pr	odu	ct responsible							
5.	List supp	orting documents or	evidence to suppo	ort o	pinion							
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STA	NDARD:	NFPA 1033: 4.7.1 (B)		SKI	LL ARI	EA: Pi	repare	Writt	en Re	port
inves	tigator's op	e a written report so that the report accominion, contains facts and data that the or by which each opinion was reached	invest	igator relies on in rer	ndering a	ın opini	on, con	tains th	e reaso	oning
deter	mine the re	CE OUTCOME: To demonstrate war ader's needs or requirements, the can be cause of the fire.								an
EQU	IPMENT:	Investigative findings, documentation	on, and	a specific audience.						
CON abilit		: Given investigative findings, docum	nentatio	on, and a specific aud	lience th	e candid	date sha	all dem	onstrat	e the
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No.	TASK STEPS TEST RETEST 1 RETEST 2									
					P	F	P	F	P	F
1.	Review re	eports, findings								
2.	Complete	a comprehensive written report								
3.	Include s	cene findings in report								
4.	-	ertinent facts from interviews in repor	rt							
5.	Report is									
6.	Report is	~								
7.	Opinion a	as to the cause of the fire is clearly exp	pressed							
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STA	NDARD:	NFPA 1033: 4.7.2(B)	SKILL ARI	EA: Pi	resent	Invest	igativ	e Find	lings
		s investigative findings verbally so that , and the presentation includes only nec						ed with	iin
		CE OUTCOME: The candidate will ud within a 30-minute time frame to a se		verball	y presei	nt an in	vestiga	tion re	port
EQU	IPMENT:	Investigative findings, notes, a time al	llotment, and a specific audi	ience.					
	NDITIONS onstrate the	Given investigative findings, notes, a ability to:	time allotment, and a speci	fic aud	ience th	e candi	date sh	all	
No.		TASK STEPS		TE	EST	RETI	EST 1	RET	EST 2
				P	F	P	F	P	F
1.	Obtain ar	nd review the investigation report and o	ther provided information						
2.		he audience/member(s)							
2.	Verbally sequence	present the report information and/or fi	ndings in logical						
3.	-	port unnecessary information							
4.	Presentat	ion concludes within time limits							
5.	Follow-u	p questions are answered without error							
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STANDARD: NFPA 1033: 4.7.3(B) SKILL AREA: Deliver Legal Testimony												
TASK: Testify during legal proceedings so that all pertinent investigative information and evidence are presented clearly and accurately and the investigator's demeanor and attire are appropriate to the proceedings.												
PERFORMANCE OUTCOME: Communication and listening skills and ability to differentiate facts from opinion and determine accepted procedures, practices, and etiquette during legal proceedings.												
EQUIPMENT: Interview transcripts or notes, incident briefing, fire scene notes, other related documents, and a "mock" courtroom.												
	NDITIONS: onstrate the	Given investigative findings, con ability to:	tents of r	reports, and consultatio	n with l	egal co	unsel tl	ne cand	idate s	hall		
No.	. TASK STEPS				TEST			RETEST 1		RETEST 2		
					P	F	P	F	P	F		
1.	Review p	rovided information prior to testim	ony									
2.	Ask ques	tions of prosecutor before testifying	g if neces	sary								
3.	Testify in	Testify in court to prosecutor's questions without error										
4.	Testify in	Testify in court to defenses' questions without error										
5.	Demonstrate the ability to differentiate facts from opinion											
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CF	CERTIFIED FIRE INVESTIGATOR REQUIRED EQUIPMENT CHECKLIST FOR TESTING FOR CERTIFICATION					
	1	Applicable NFPA Standard				
	2	Department computer				
	3	Department Standard Operating Procedures accessible to membership				
	4	Evidence collection materials				
	5	Evidence tags or logs				
	6	Inspection report form				
	7	Interview form				
	8	Jurisdictional or agency regulations				
	9	Marking tools				
	10	Notebook/Clipboard				
	11	Prefire plans				
	12	**Special equipment and tools				
	13	*Standard fire investigator equipment and tools				

(CERTIFIED FIRE INVESTIGATOR REQUIRED FACILITY CHECKLIST FOR TESTING FOR CERTIFICATION					
	1	Interview room				
	2	Mock courtroom				
	3	Simulated fire scene				
	4	Structural or content remains				
	5	Training Center/building with Classroom				

*NFPA 1033: A.3.3.13.2 Standard Equipment and Tools shall include:

- a high-resolution camera
- flash, and film or media
- a flashlight
- a shovel
- safety clothing and equipment

(examples of safety clothing and equipment are found in the safety chapter of NFPA 921)

- hand tools
- a tape measure or other measuring device
- a broom
- evidence collection equipment and supplies.

**NFPA 1033: A.3.3.13.1 Special Equipment and Tools may include:

- heavy equipment
- hydrocarbon detectors
- ignitable liquid detection canine teams
- microscope
- flash point testers, and so forth.