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100-003	Title- FIREFIGHTER CERTIFICATION SYSTEM	
Effective Date – March 26 th , 2008	References – March 26 th , 2008 – Original Inception	
Next Scheduled Review	March 21 st , 2011 – Amended to include FF Survival January 22 nd , 2012 – Amended requirements to be inclusive of Firefighter Boot Camp. January 27 th , 2016 – Amended to not make FF Survival an Interior Requirement until March 21 st , 2011. Also should be noted at this time Firefighter Boot Camp’s program name has been changed to Firefighter Training Series.	
Modified Date – January 27 th , 2016	CLASSIFICATION – POLICY STATEMENT	Approved By -

PREFACE: This policy was originally adopted by the Cortland County Fire Chiefs Association on March 26, 2008. This policy was amended and adopted by the Cortland County Fire Chiefs Association on September 21st, 2011, January 22nd, 2012 and on January 27th, 2016. This policy is to be adhered to by all fire departments operating in Cortland County.

PURPOSE: This policy establishes the parameters for Cortland County’s Firefighting Certification process and the qualifications required to meet the levels listed below. It also provides a valuable tool to Incident Commanders in that the certification process guarantees firefighters have been trained to a predetermined level as listed on their tag allowing the IC to utilize them in a manner not above and beyond their abilities.

POLICY:

1. Firefighters will be issued accountability tags in accordance with detailed certification process listed below:

- b. SUPPORT- training requirements vary and will be defined by the Authority Having Jurisdiction. Support members shall be limited to Fire Police, Drivers, and EMS personnel. Firefighters who operate on the fireground, throwing ladders, stretching hose, operate extrication equipment, etc. shall be classified as EXTERIOR as a minimum.
- c. EXTERIOR – New York State Office of Fire Prevention and Control Scene Support, Basic Exterior Firefighter Operations or equivalent, NIMS 100 and 700.
- d. INTERIOR – January 1st, 1970 – December 31st, 2010 Qualifications - New York State Office of Fire Prevention and Control Essentials of Firemanship, Essentials of Firefighting, Basic FF 2000, Firefighter 1 or equivalent, Physical, Fit Test, OSHA Training and NIMS 100 and 700.

INTERIOR – January 1st, 2011 – December 31st, 2011 Qualifications - New York State Office of Fire Prevention and Control Essentials of Firemanship, Essentials of Firefighting, Basic FF 2000, Firefighter 1 or equivalent, New York State Office of Fire Prevention and Control Firefighter Survival, Physical, Fit Test, OSHA Training and NIMS 100 and 700.

INTERIOR – As of January 1st, 2012 must have completed the Cortland County Firefighter Boot Camp or Cortland County Firefighter Training Series which is the same as the Firefighter Boot Camp, only the name of the program was changed. This program consists of New State Office of Fire Prevention and Control Firefighter 1, SCBA Confidence, Calling the May Day, Truck Company Operations, Firefighter Survival, Courage to be Safe and CPR – AED. Alternatively, to this entire program, these courses may be taken individually to meet the qualification of Interior Firefighter.

- e. FAST – January 1st, 1970 – December 31st, 2011 Qualifications - Meets all the requirements for Interior, plus must have completed New York State Office of Fire Prevention and Control Truck Company Operations, New York State Office of Fire Prevention and Control FAST Course and be a certified CPR – D valid card holder

FAST – Meets all the as of January 1st, 2012 requirements for Interior as well as completing the New York State Office of Fire Prevention and Control FAST course.

- f. DRIVER – At a minimum, New York State Office of Fire Prevention and Control Scene Support Operations Course or Basic Exterior Firefighter Operations Course and Emergency Vehicle Operations Course
- g. FIRE POLICE - New York State Office of Fire Prevention and Control Fire Police Course
- h. EMT- At a minimum, New York State Basic EMT

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