

661—251.101(100B) Minimum training standard. Any member of a fire department shall have completed the training requirements identified in the job performance requirements for the fire fighter I classification in NFPA 1001, Standard for Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications, based on the current edition adopted by the fire service training bureau, prior to the member's engaging in structural firefighting. Each fire department shall identify its members who are or will be engaged in structural firefighting and shall ensure that any member engaged in structural firefighting has completed the training requirements specified in this rule prior to the member's engaging in structural firefighting.

NOTE: A firefighter is not required to be certified to meet this requirement. Training to meet this requirement may be provided by the fire service training bureau, a community college, a regional fire training facility, a local fire department, or any combination thereof.

EXCEPTION 1: A firefighter who received training which complied with the job performance requirements for the fire fighter I classification contained in an earlier edition of NFPA 1001 shall be deemed to have met this requirement, provided that records documenting the training are maintained in accordance with rule 661—251.104(100B).

EXCEPTION 2: The chief or the training officer of any fire department may apply to the state fire marshal by June 1 of any year for an extension of the deadline to meet the training requirement for members of the department engaged in structural firefighting. Any such extension shall be for one year and may be renewed annually upon application. An extension shall be granted only if the department has requested training required under this rule, with training costs to be offset through funding from the firefighting training and equipment fund, pursuant to 661—Chapter 259, and funds to offset the cost of the training have not been available or have been inadequate to fully offset the cost of the training. The extension may be for all or some of the firefighters in the department. The application shall be in a form specified by the state fire marshal and shall list by name each firefighter for whom an extension is requested. The extension, if granted, shall list by name the firefighters to whom the extension applies and shall apply only to those listed.

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