

Probation Firefighter Task Book

Task book assigned to:	
Initiate	ed date:
	Completed date:
3 Month Section	
6 Month Section	
12 Month Section	
24 Month Section	



3 Month Section

Demonstrate knowledge and ability of how to properly use	
personal protective equipment	
Ability to correctly don structural safety gear	
Ability to correctly don SCBA under 60 seconds	
How to use the buddy breather	
How to change a bottle	
Preform a daily check on SCBA	
Describe SCBA care, use and specifications	
Ability to use RIC bag components	
Describe care and use	
Ability to correctly don wildland safety gear including web	
gear.	
Ability to correctly deploy wildland fire shelter	
Describe care and use	
Ability to operate portable 800mhz radio	
Ability to operate portable VHF radio	
Ability to use accountability tag system	

Demonstrate knowledge of firefighter self-rescue techniques	
Ability to describe procedure for reporting a mayday (LASR)	
Ability to describe self-survival procedures (GRAB LIVES)	
Ability to perform self -rescue techniques	
Ability to describe emergency radio procedures	

Demonstrate knowledge and ability to properly secure utilities	
Ability to describe how to locate and properly secure	
residential utilities	
Ability to describe how to locate and properly secure	
commercial utilities	
Ability to describe how to properly manage downed electrical	
lines	



Demonstrate knowledge of equipment placement on front line	
apparatus	
Ability to locate equipment on apparatus	
Demonstrate knowledge of power equipment uses	

Demonstrate ability to safely use power tools and describe their nomenclature	
Ability to operate chain saw	
Specifications, use, and maintenance	
Ability to operate rotary saw	
Specifications, use, and maintenance	
Ability to operate smoke ejector	
Specifications, use, and maintenance	

Demonstrate knowledge and use of 24 foot extension ladder	
Ability to describe components, use, safety and maintenance	
Ability to describe ladder commands	
Ability to describe different ladder carries	
Ability to describe proper ladder placement	
Demonstrate ability to properly place ladder	
Demonstrate ability to properly tie off halyard	
Demonstrate the different ways to foot a ladder	
Demonstrate ability to properly climb ladder including	
carrying tools and hose	
Demonstrate ability to properly lock into ladder	

Demonstrate knowledge and use of 14 foot roof ladder and 10 foot folding ladder (attic ladder) Ability to describe components, use, safety and maintenance

Demonstrate ability to perform hose lays	
Ability to lay a supply line (#4)	
Ability to deploy a 1 3/4" preconnect crosslay	
Ability to deploy 2 ½" minuteman into an apartment lay	
Ability to build and deploy a 2 ½ forward attack line	



Demonstrate knowledge of IFSTA Essentials	
IFSTA Essentials Firefighter Safety and Health	
IFSTA Essentials Fire Behavior	
IFSTA Essentials PPE and SCBA	
IFSTA Essentials Ground Ladders	
IFSTA Essentials Fire Hose	
IFSTA Essentials Fire Streams	

6 Month Section

Demonstrate knowledge and ability to perform ventilation	
Ability to perform vertical ventilation	
Ability to perform horizontal ventilation	
Ability to perform positive pressure ventilation	

Demonstrate ability to perform salvage and overhaul operations	
Ability to deploy salvage covers	
Ability to fold a salvage cover for reuse	
Ability to construct a catch basin	
Ability to construct a chute	
Describe the care and specifications of a salvage cover	

Demonstrate ability and knowledge of forcible entry	
Ability to perform forcible entry on door props	

Demonstrate ability to perform search and rescue	
Ability to locate victim using proper search tactics	
Ability to provide air to a downed firefighter	
Ability to demonstrate victim removal techniques	

Demonstrate knowledge and proper use and rope and web	bing
Ability to describe elements of a knot	
Ability to tie figure 8 family of knots	
Ability to tie a water knot	



Rope and webbing continued	
Ability to tie a clove hitch	
Ability to tie a half hitch	
Ability to tie off an axe for hoisting	
Ability to tie off a pike pole for hoisting	
Ability to describe care, maintenance and specifications of the	
rope rescue equipment	

Demonstrate knowledge of wildland firefighting	
Ability to describe the safe position for an air tanker drop	
Ability to use back pack pump	
Ability to use hand tools to construct a fireline	
Ability to describe the parts of a wildland fire	

Demonstrate ability to perform hose lays	
Ability to perform a wildland progressive hose lay	
Ability to supply ground monitor	
Ability to take hose lines aloft via ground ladder	
Ability to extend the 2 ½ minuteman preconnect	

Demonstrate ability to perform tactical ventilation	
Ability to perform horizontal ventilation	
Ability to perform vertical ventilation	

Demonstrate knowledge of the IFSTA Essentials	
IFSTA Essentials Building Construction	
IFSTA Essentials Ropes, Webbing and Knots	
IFSTA Essentials Structural Search, Victim Removal and	
Firefighter Survival	
IFSTA Essentials Forcible Entry	
IFSTA Essentials Tactical Ventilation	
IFSTA Essentials Fire Control	
IFSTA Essentials Loss Control	



12 Month Section

Demonstrate knowledge of vehicle extrication tools and the ability	
to safely use power tools and describe their nomenclature	
Ability to operate powered rescue tools	
Specifications, use, and maintenance	
Ability to operate air bags	
Specifications, use, and maintenance	
Ability to use cribbing materials	
Ability to use the vehicle stabilization system	
Specifications, use, and maintenance	

Demonstrate Hazmat knowledge and ability to use an DOT	ERG
Ability to identify hazardous material, their potential hazards	
and appropriate PPE	
Ability to perform emergency decontamination	
Ability to perform control, containment and confinement	
operations in the event of a hazardous materials incident	

Demonstrate ability to perform technical rescue techniques	
Ability to construct a 3:1 mechanical advantage system	
Ability to construct a 2:1 piggy back system	
Ability to don/doff rope rescue harness	
Ability to secure a victim both ambulatory and non-	
ambulatory	
Ability to perform a change over from a hauling system to a	
lowering system	
Ability to identify water rescue techniques	

Demonstrate ability to perform hose lays	
Ability to perform mobile pumping	
Ability to provide structure protection with CAFS	
Ability to provide structure protection with Thermo Gel	
Ability to provide structure protection "bump and run"	



Hose lays continued
Ability to supply water to a standpipe system and provide fire
attack on upper floor
Demonstrate knowledge of IFSTA Essentials
IFSTA Essentials Portable Fire Extinguishers
IFSTA Essentials Water Supply
IFSTA Essentials Hazards, Behavior and Identification of Haz-
Mat/WMD
IFSTA Essentials Mitigation of HazMat/WMD Incidents
Demonstrate knowledge of State Fire Training manual
Low Angle Rope Rescue Operational
24 Month Section
Demonstrate ability to perform a fire pre-plan
Ability to perform a pre-plan of assigned building
Ability to present pre-plan to fire crew
Demonstrate knowledge of fire ground operations
Ability to coordinate an interior attack on a structure fire
Demonstrate knowledge of department maintenance
Ability to perform annual service test on fire hose

Complete 3 random hose lays from pervious sections