

Driving Directions

The State Fire Academy is located just outside Jackson, Mississippi. These driving directions may help.

From Shreveport, Louisiana; Dallas Texas; and other points West: Take I-20 East to Jackson, MS. Stay on I-20 as if you are going towards Meridian, MS. Take exit 48, Pearson Road - Pearl exit. Stay in the far right lane, and turn right onto Pearson Road. Go .75 miles to Old Whitfield Road. There will be a large green sign on the right, pointing to the Academy, opposite Old Whitfield Road. Turn left, go 2.28 miles, and you will see the gate on the right. Watch that last turn, it's a bad one.

From Birmingham, Alabama; Atlanta, Georgia; and other points East: Take I-20 West to Exit 52, Airport Road, Jackson International Airport. Exit the ramp, turn left and drive over the bridge over I-20. Get in the right lane quickly, and after you have crossed the bridge, take your first right onto Old Whitfield Road, which is about 200 feet past I-20. Stay on Old Whitfield Road until you see the back of an old DC-9, which is used in ARFF training. You will pass most of the Academy until you come to the front gate, which will be on the left.

From Memphis, Tennessee, St. Louis, Missouri; and other points North: Take I-55 South from Memphis to Jackson, MS. Go all the way through the downtown Jackson area, and get in the right lane after the Pearl St. exit. Take the I-20 East exit over the fly-over, and keep heading east. You will come to exit 48 after about 2 miles. Take exit 48, Pearson Road - Pearl exit. Stay in the far right lane, and turn right onto Pearson Road. Go .75 miles to Old Whitfield Road. There will be a large green sign on the right, pointing to the Academy, opposite Old Whitfield Road. Turn left, go 2.28 miles, and you will see the gate on the right. Watch that last turn, it's a bad one.

From Baton Rouge, Louisiana; New Orleans, Louisiana; and other points South: Take I-55 North from New Orleans to Jackson - about three hours. When you arrive in South Jackson, stay in the right lane to get on I-20 East. Stay on I-20 eastbound until you pass Jackson and come to exit 48. Take exit 48, Pearson Road - Pearl exit. Stay in the far right lane, and turn right onto Pearson Road. Go .75 miles to Old Whitfield Road. There will be a large green sign on the right, pointing to the Academy, opposite Old Whitfield Road. Turn left, go 2.28 miles, and you will see the gate on the right. Watch that last turn, it's a bad one.

