

MISSISSIPPI STATE FIRE ACADEMY
DIVISION OF THE MISSISSIPPI INSURANCE DEPARTMENT

SUBJECT: POLICY REGARDING INSTANCES OF TRAINING SUSPENSE FOR
MEDICAL REASONS

Background: After careful and due consideration of the well being and safety of its students, the Mississippi State Fire Academy administrative staff has determined that re-admission limitations are necessary regarding the number of times a student may leave the Fire Fighter NFPA 1001-I, II program due to medical reasons, and the permissible length of such training suspension for medical reasons. These limitations are necessary to address the applicable time constraints, standard changes, text book changes, and revised test banks, as well as to ensure that the student receives appropriate accreditation for the course work they complete at the Fire Academy.

THEREFORE, IT IS THE POLICY OF THE MISSISSIPPI STATE FIRE ACADEMY that after initiating a Fire Fighter NFPA 1001-I, II program, a student shall be subject to the following:

- (a) Upon one (1) training suspension due to **medical reasons**, the student shall be authorized subsequent re-admission into the program, and shall be given credit for all elements of the program satisfactorily completed through the point training was suspended, subject to the time limitation in paragraph (c) below.
- (b) In the event of a second (2nd) training suspension due to **medical reasons**, the student shall not retain credit for elements of the program successfully completed, but shall be required to re-start the program from the beginning.
- (c) Any training suspense for medical reasons which exceeds one (1) year in duration shall require the student to re-start the program from the beginning and obtain a one (1) year extension from the Mississippi Fire Personnel Minimum Standards and Certification Board.
- (d) Any re-admission following a training suspension for medical reasons shall require the student to provide Mississippi State Fire Academy with documentation that he/she has received clearance from a medical doctor for full participation in the training program.
- (e) The Mississippi State Fire Academy shall have the discretion to grant exceptions to this policy on a case by case basis and for due cause as determined by the Academy.

Effective Date: This Policy shall be effective from and after January 1, 2013.


Mississippi Fire Academy, Executive Director

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