

PENNSYLVANIA FIRE SERVICE VOLUNTARY CERTIFICATION PROGRAM



FIRST RESPONDER INSPECTOR CANDIDATE HANDBOOK

OFFICE OF THE STATE FIRE COMMISSIONER
PENNSYLVANIA STATE FIRE ACADEMY

Dear Certification Candidate,

Welcome to the Pennsylvania Fire Service Voluntary Certification Program. The purpose of this manual is to provide you with information to successfully participate in certification testing. This manual outlines the pre-requisites, testing and application process, and provides you with a study guide reference list. Tests are conducted under the sanction and approval of the Pennsylvania Office of the State Fire Commissioner with accreditation granted by the National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications (National Pro-Board) and the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC)

In accordance with Act 61 of 1995, The State Fire Commissioner Act, the Office of the State Fire Commissioner is the certifying agency within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and the Pennsylvania State Fire Academy is the administering agency. Any United States Citizen eighteen (18) years of age or older who reside in Pennsylvania may apply for consideration as a test candidate.

Effective March 1, 2026:

- All certification candidates are required to maintain an active Acadis user portal account. (Acadis portal location = OSFC website/ Training and Certification Portal, or click here: [ENVISAGE Acadis®](#))
- All certification candidates are to be registered with the designated test site and rostered for the certification test.

Good luck and thank you for participating in the Pennsylvania Voluntary Fire Service Certification Program.

Application Process

Obtain an application from either the Office of the State Fire Commissioner (OSFC) [website](#) or an approved test site. You must fill out the application in full and provide all required documentation. The completed application and accompanying documents are to be submitted to an approved test site or PA State Fire Academy (PSFA). Your application is then reviewed and either accepted or rejected based on compliance and deficiencies (i.e., lacks pre-requisites, no signatures, etc.).

The general test process is as follows:

1. A candidate must submit a complete application including all supporting documents;
2. After the application is approved, the candidate takes the written test and the skills tests;
3. Upon successful completion of the written and skills tests and a review of the application for completeness by the test site and PSFA or Delegated Authority, the candidate can be certified for the level tested. If a candidate should not pass any part of the testing process, a retest can be administered and must be completed within one (1) year of the original test date.

Application Pointers

1. Make sure the application is legible and complete. Applications **MUST** be typed.
2. Social Security Number: please provide the last four (4) digits.
3. Provide your complete name including suffix (Jr, Sr, III, etc.). **NO** nicknames please.
4. Make sure your mailing address includes street, apartment number, city, state, and zip.
5. Make sure all appropriate signatures are obtained and are signed in **all areas, either in Blue or Black ink, or via digital, electronic signatures (MUST be Adobe Signature, NOT a Freeform Signature)**.
 - a. *Chief Officers CANNOT sign for themselves in Section IV of the application;*
 - b. *Another Chief Officer MUST sign Section IV of the application.*
6. Legible copies of all prerequisites must be attached and signed were applicable. **NOTE:** *Copies must include front and back of the card(s) when applicable (i.e. CPR, medical card).*
7. Make sure your Prerequisite Verification Form (found in the back of the application) is appropriately marked off and signed in **BLUE** or **BLACK** ink or via, electronic signatures (**MUST be Adobe Signature, NOT a Freeform Signature**).

Prerequisite: Hazardous Materials Training and/or Certification

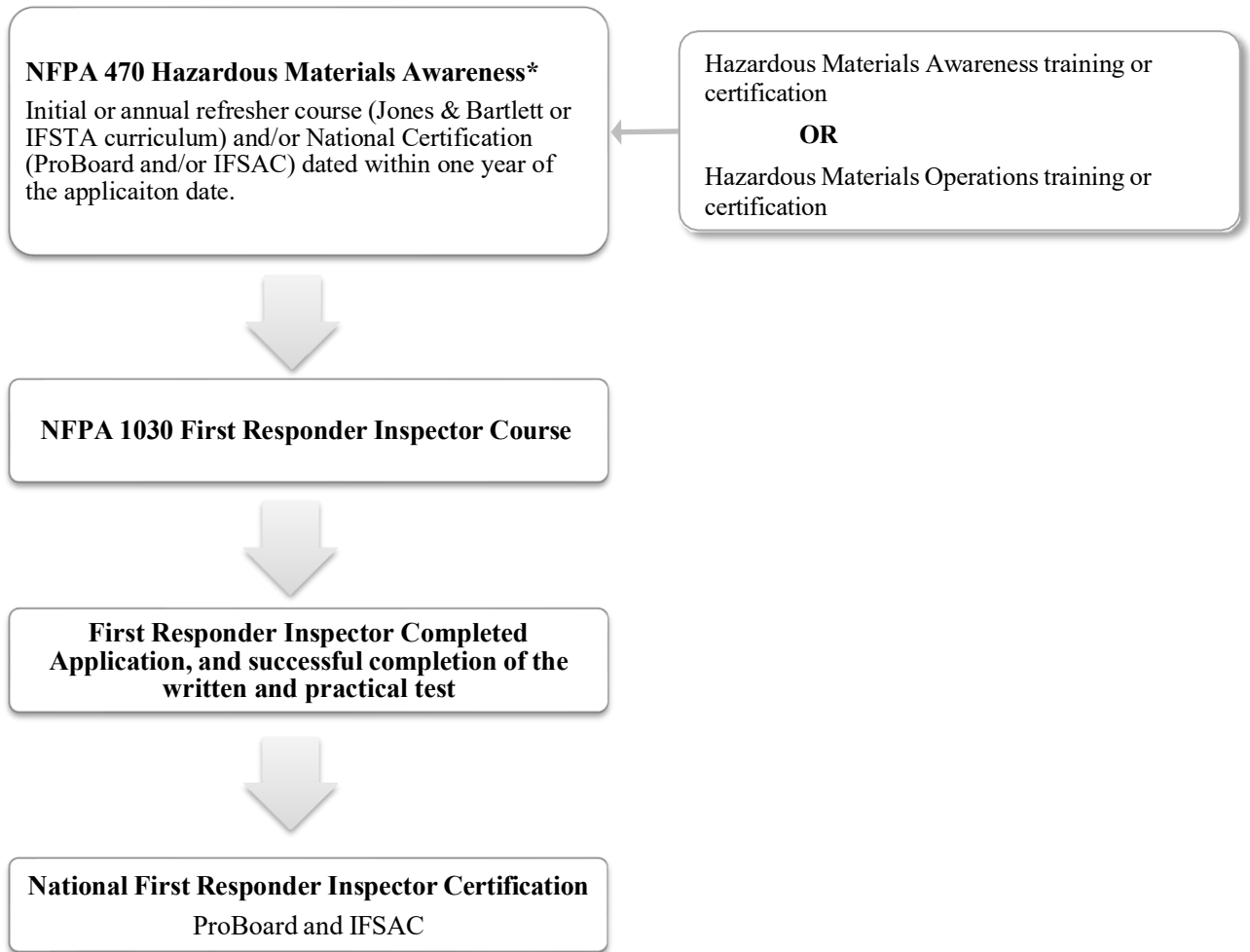
Candidates **MUST** be trained or certified (as a minimum requirement) at the Hazardous Materials Awareness Level in accordance with NFPA 470 (2022 Ed) *Hazardous Materials/Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) Standard for Responders*, Chapter 5, JPR 5.2.1

Attach a copy of one of the following recognized certificates (Jones & Bartlett or IFSTA curriculums).

- Hazardous Materials Awareness Level **OR** Annual Refresher Course
- Hazardous Materials Operations Level **OR** Annual Refresher Course
- Hazardous Materials Awareness or Operations Certification (IFSAC or ProBoard)

NOTE: The certificate (training, refresher training) **MUST** be current (i.e., within one (1) year of the First Responder Inspector certification test date) and must meet the requirements of the current applicable NFPA standard. If fulfilling this prerequisite through certification, the certification date must be within one (1) year of the application.

First Responder Inspector Certification Pathway



* Please refer to the First Responder Inspector application OR the previous section of this document titled “Prerequisites” for a complete listing of approved courses that will be accepted to fulfill the prerequisite(s).

Test Policy

Written Test: The written test consists of one-hundred (100) questions and is randomly generated. Candidates have a maximum of two (2) hour to complete the test. A passing score is seventy percent (70%).

Skills Test: Candidates must pass one hundred percent (100%) of the skill stations offered.

Re-test Policy

Written Test: If you are unsuccessful, you have a total of two (2) retest attempts and have one (1) year to complete the retest. You will need to contact the fire academy or the test site where the test was originally taken to schedule a retest.

Skills Test: You must pass 100% of the skill stations offered.

- If you are unsuccessful on three (3) or less skill stations, you may retest the same day (only one retest per skill station);
- If you are unsuccessful on four (4) or more skill stations, you may NOT retest the same day. Skill retests must be scheduled for a later date and time.
- A total of eight (8) retest attempts are permitted and must be completed in one (1) year to successfully complete the testing process.

Appeals

Within thirty (30) days of receipt of a failure notice, a candidate may request a review of his/her performance records by the State Fire Academy. Appeals must be in writing and in accordance with the policies and procedures of the Certification Program.

Send to: Pennsylvania State Fire Academy
Attn: Certification Program Manager
1150 Riverside Drive
Lewistown, PA 17044

Test Results/Release of Results

The Office of the State Fire Commissioner / PA State Fire Academy notifies candidates of test results in writing via US Postal Service mail. Only pass/fail grades are given.

In accordance with the Federal Education Records and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1974, a standard (i.e., law) for the protection of individual education and test records was established; therefore, prior consent from a student / candidate / person must be made before any records or other personally identifiable information can be released to any other person / organization / third-party entity. In the event a third-party request for test result(s) of a candidate is made, a "Consent to Release Information" form will need to be completed and signed by the candidate to permit release of results to another person / organization / third-party entity.

Accommodations

The Pennsylvania Fire Service Voluntary Certification Program offers reasonable accommodations for the written certification exams for individuals with documented disabilities. Only written requests for accommodations for certification examinations are reviewed and each request is reviewed on a case-by-case basis. Requests must be submitted on the Accommodation Request form. The Pennsylvania Fire Service Voluntary Certification Program provides written notification of its decision to the candidate upon completion of its review and the review by legal counsel of the request for accommodation.

The “Accommodation Request” form is located on page 7 of this manual or is available from the Pennsylvania State Fire Academy and test site coordinators. Please contact the Certification Program Manager for further information. The candidate who is requesting an accommodation must complete the request form at the time of application submission or as soon as the need for an accommodation is recognized. All requests must be made prior to the scheduled date of the examination. Any request for accommodation not submitted at least twenty (20) working days prior to the scheduled examination will result in a delay in the candidate’s date of examination.

Documentation of a specific disability which would impact a candidate’s performance on the written examination must be current (within five (5) years of the date of application). Such documentation should include a signed explanation on letterhead stationery from a professional who is familiar with the applicant’s disability or a copy of an Individual Education Plan (IEP) from an educational institution. See below comment.

The statement must confirm and describe the disability for which the accommodation is requested. The professional must have expertise in the specific disability for which the accommodation is being requested.

Recertification

In the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, certification is a voluntary process; currently there is no requirement for recertification. Issuance of a certificate indicates the candidate successfully passed the certification test. The certificate issued indicates the candidate is certified based on the edition and year of the standard under which the candidate certified. Furthermore, issuance of a certification certificate does not imply nor guarantee any indication of future performance because of the testing process.

Safety Policy

A candidate should meet the requirements of NFPA 1582 *Standard on Medical Requirements for Firefighters and information for Fire Department Physicians* prior to participating in any physical test to ensure his/her ability to safely perform the required tasks.

For the safety and protection of all participants, all equipment, and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) used in a test must meet the NFPA standard at the time of manufacturing. PPE will be inspected prior to use in a test.

The facial hair policy states candidates with facial hair which interferes with the operation or use of a Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) will not be permitted to participate in a test that requires use of a SCBA.

No show policy

If a candidate is accepted for testing and fails to show up without an acceptable reason, the test site has the right to enforce their no-show policy that could include but is not limited to suspension from testing for an identified period of time and/or financial penalties.

Professional Testing Integrity and Dishonesty

Dishonesty in the professional test environment includes but is not limited to cheating, plagiarizing, facilitating acts of testing dishonesty by others, having unauthorized possession of examinations, or submitting work of another person. Any instance(s) of testing dishonesty constitutes the need for disciplinary and/or legal actions. All certification candidates shall act with personal and professional integrity, respect the rights and property of others, and help maintain a professional environment in which all can be successful.

Test Site Coordinators, Assistant Coordinators, Test Proctors, Evaluators, and Instructors should take reasonable steps to anticipate and deter acts of dishonesty, reinforce integrity, and support appropriate behavior to protect the rights and trust of honest candidates. At the beginning of each test process, it is the responsibility of those to provide candidates with the “Testing Integrity and Dishonesty” policy and clarify questions that may arise.

Falsification of Documents

Any individual found to have forged, altered, or falsified documentation for the purpose of certification testing will be indefinitely suspended from participating in any certification exam within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Further action may be taken in accordance with the Pennsylvania Crimes Code 18 Pa C.S. 4904, relating to unsworn falsifications.

Cheating on Test

All candidates are expected to work entirely on his/her own while taking any exam. Violations of test integrity consist of any attempt to receive assistance from written or printed aids unless provided by the test proctor for the purpose of a specific test, or any persons, papers or electronic devices, or of any attempt to give assistance

Document Integrity

Certification candidates are expected to complete all work individually. For any material obtained from other sources such as plot plans, web maps, etc., a source reference must be given. All essay answers must be the candidate's own work.

Study Reference List

The following is a list of text that may be reference in preparation for testing.

1. National Fire Protection Association, NFPA 1030 (2044 Ed) Standard for Professional Qualifications for Fire Prevention Programs
2. IFSTA, Fire Inspection and Code Enforcement, 9th Edition, 1st Printing
3. Skill sheets can be found under [“Skills we’re looking for”](#) (this link does not work, yet)

Additional Information:

1. Applications shall be submitted to the test site by their established deadline or no later than 3 weeks prior to the test date.
2. Please contact the test site of your choice to receive information about fees for testing.
3. Photo ID is required at the time of the written and skills tests.
4. Bring all appropriate PPE and SCBA needed to complete all possible skill stations.
5. Dress appropriately; bring extra dry clothes.
6. Bring food and water or a similar beverage to stay hydrated.

Certification applications and skill sheets, in addition to the test schedule and test site contact information, can be found at [Firefighter Certifications | Commonwealth of Pennsylvania](#). A page will open with information about the certification program and process. Scroll through the page to find the links for certification applications, skill sheets, test schedule, and test site contact information.

If you have additional questions or concerns about the test process, please contact the test site coordinator at the site in which you applied to be tested at or the PA State Fire Academy Certification Program Staff.

Firefighter Code of Ethics

I understand that I have the responsibility to conduct myself in a manner that reflects proper ethical behavior and integrity. In so doing, I will help foster a continuing positive public perception of the fire service. Therefore, I pledge the following...

- Always conduct myself, on and off duty, in a manner that reflects positively on myself, my department, and the fire service in general.
- Accept responsibility for my actions and for the consequences of my actions.
- Support the concept of fairness and the value of diverse thoughts and opinions.
- Avoid situations that would adversely affect the credibility or public perception of the fire service profession.
- Be truthful and honest at all times and report instances of cheating or other dishonest acts that compromise the integrity of the fire service.
- Conduct my personal affairs in a manner that does not improperly influence the performance of my duties or bring discredit to my organization.
- Be respectful and conscious of each member's safety and welfare.
- Recognize that I serve in a position of public trust that requires stewardship in the honest and efficient use of publicly owned resources, including uniforms, facilities, vehicle, and equipment and that these are protected from misuse and theft.
- Exercise professionalism, competence, respect, and loyalty in the performance of my duties and use information, confidential or otherwise, gained by virtue of my position, only to benefit those I am entrusted to serve.
- Avoid financial investments, outside employment, outside business interests or activities that conflict with or are enhanced by my official position or have the potential to create the perception of impropriety.
- Never propose or accept personal rewards, special privileges, benefits, advancement, honors or gifts that may create a conflict of interest, or the appearance thereof.
- Never engage in activities involving alcohol or other substance use or abuse that can impair my mental state or the performance of my duties and compromise safety.
- Never discriminate on the basis of race, religion, color, creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, gender, sexual preference, medical condition or handicap.
- Never harass, intimidate, or threaten fellow members of the service or the public and stop or report the actions of other firefighters who engage in such behaviors.
- Responsibly use social networking, electronic communications, or other media technology opportunities in a manner that does not discredit, dishonor, or embarrass my organization, the fire service and the public. I also understand that failure to resolve or report inappropriate use of this media equates to condoning this behavior.

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STATION A

Prepare Internal Written Correspondence

You are a first responder inspector, and it has been brought to your attention through a combination of inspection observations and anecdotal information from the fire department officers, it appears that there are a large number of smoke alarms failing within the jurisdiction. The local ordinance that required the installation of smoke alarms went into effect eleven (11) years ago. Communicate in writing to your supervisor the concerns surrounding the problem of smoke alarms failing in large numbers and propose potential ways to mitigate the observed situation.

STATION B

Field Inspection 1

You are a first responder inspector and receive an email complaint from Frank Smith, 511 Maple Grove Ave., Anytown, PA regarding Joe's Garage located at 123 Bogart Lane, Anytown, PA. He dropped his car off at the garage to have the brakes worked on and was very concerned that Joe is now offering collision repair services, but the spray booth looked like it was just thrown together and there were lots of metal drums around. He is concerned that this is an environmental issue and would like someone to look into it. He has also requested that you let him know if it is safe for him to still use the garage for his work since Joe is a good guy.

Based on Department records, the facility is an automotive repair garage (moderate-hazard storage, Group S-1) that was last inspected a year ago with no violations.

Complete your field inspection and communicate the results of your inspection and resolve the complaint in writing in accordance with the policies and procedures of the jurisdiction.

When you arrive at Joe's Garage for your inspection you find the following:









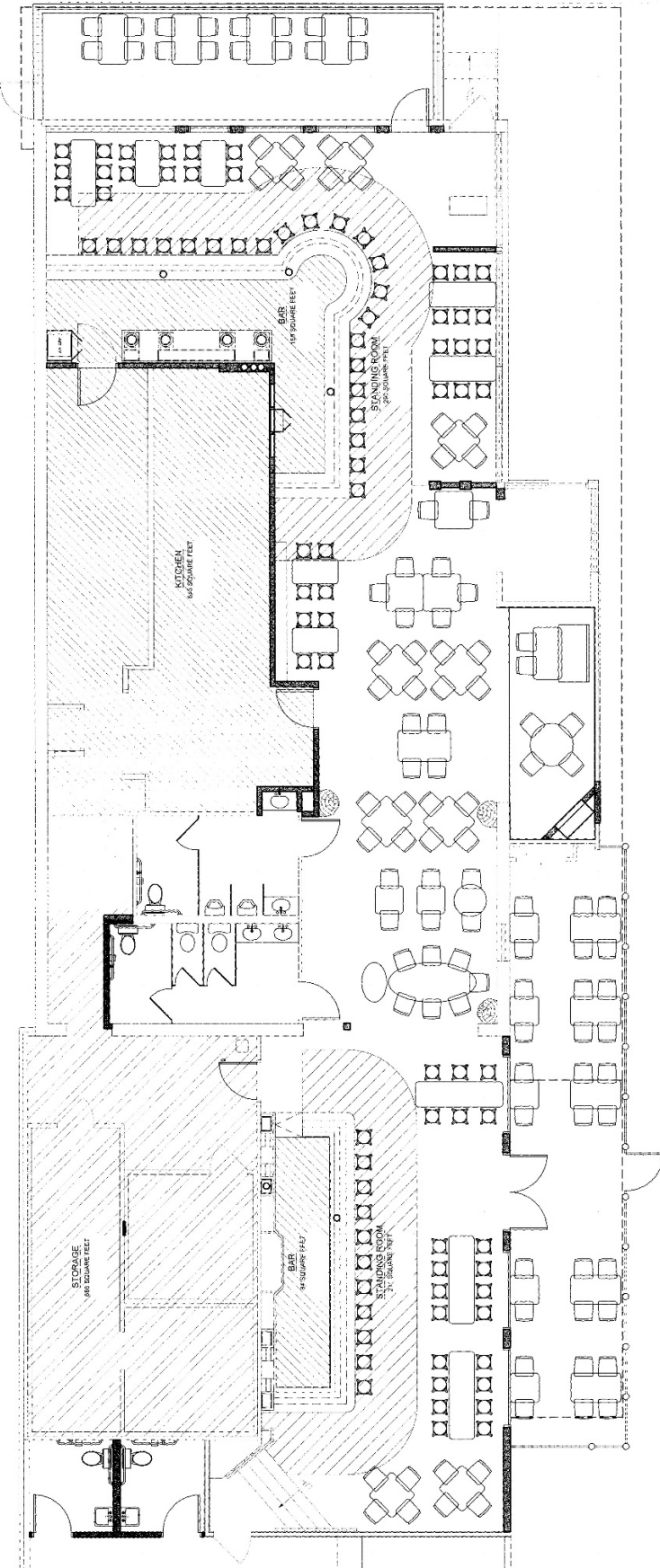
STATION C

Field Inspection 2

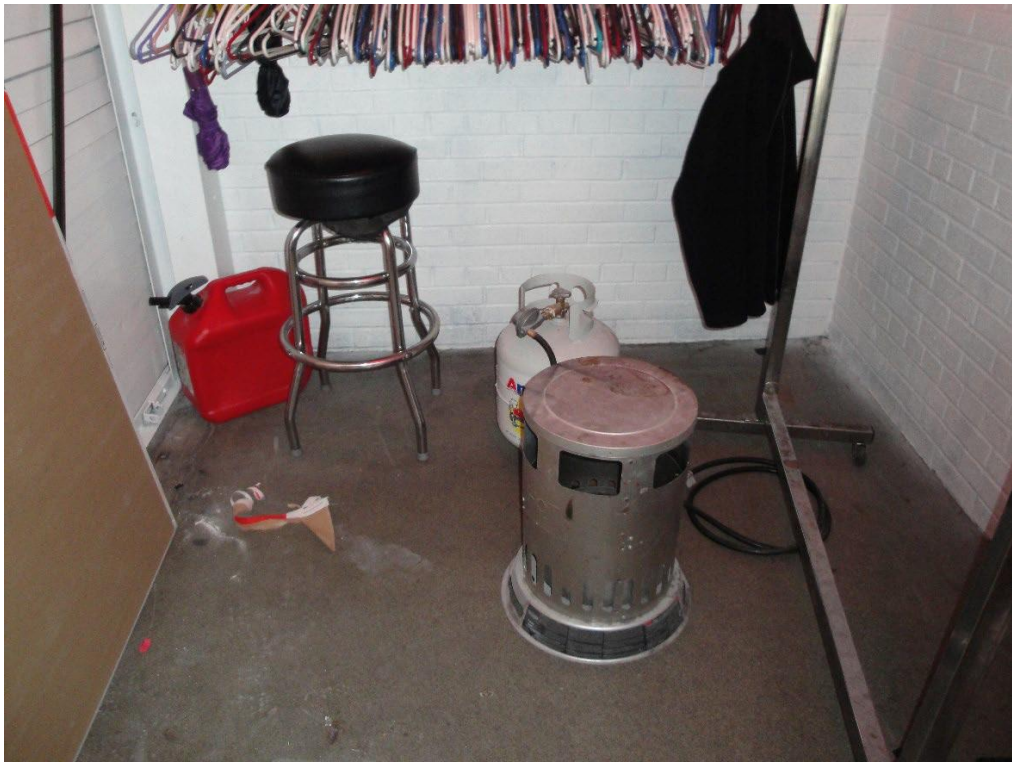
As a first responder inspector, you assigned to inspect Franks Bar & Grill, at 411 Smith Avenue, Anytown, PA. As part of your inspection the owner has also requested that you verify the maximum occupant load based on the current seating configuration. Attached you will find a seating plan, including the results of the site measurements that have been made. All of the doors in the facility are standard 36-inch doors.

Convey the results of your inspection in writing to the building owner in accordance with the policies and procedures of the jurisdiction.

When you arrive at Frank's Bar & Grill you find the following:



1 SEATING PLAN - STANDARD DINING
 3/16" = 1'-0"



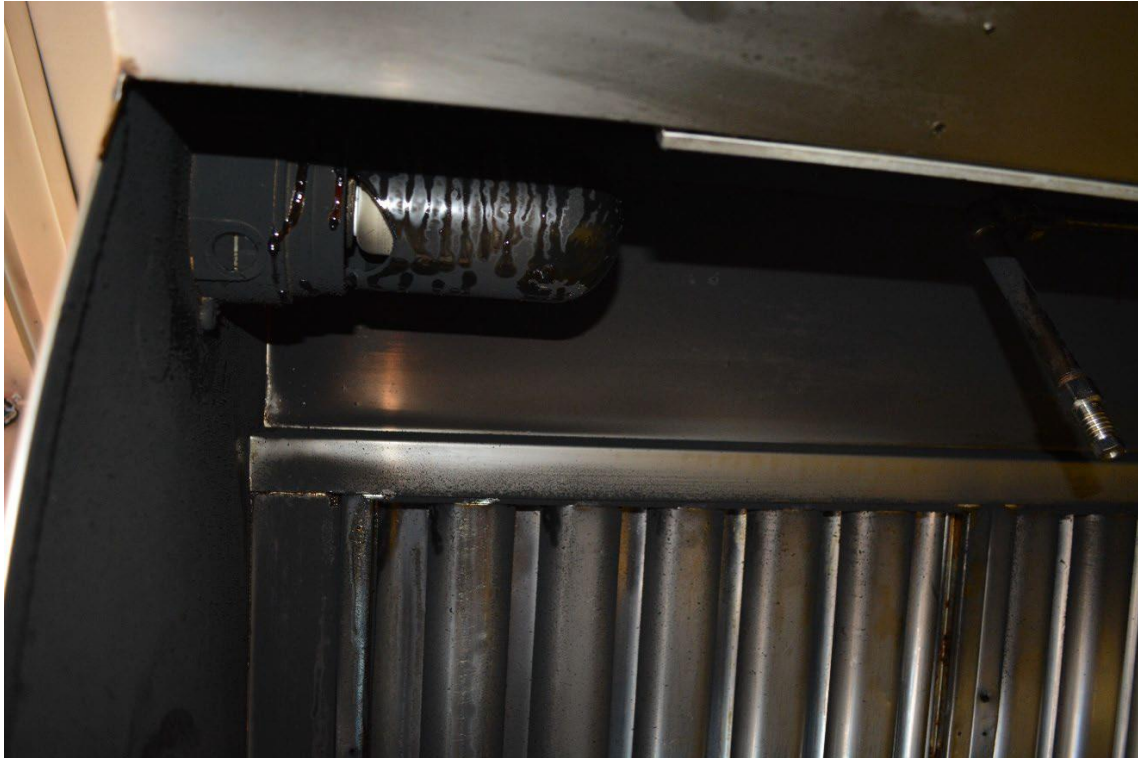












STATION D

Field Inspection3

As a first responder inspector, you received a phone complaint from Steve Earl who attended a wedding at the Whispering Pines Club last night and was very concerned about his safety. He stated that when he arrived the front gate was open but when he tried to leave, he had to wait at the gate for some time before it would open and allow him to exit. In addition, he said that he didn't feel safe during the event as well. He provided he contact information as follows for follow up:

Steve Earl
2020 Merigold Way
Anytown, PA 99999 The

facility address is:

Whispering Pines Club
1995 Bull Run Way
Anytown, PA 99999

Complete your field inspection and communicate the results of your inspection and resolve the complaint in writing in accordance with the policies and procedures of the jurisdiction.

When you arrive at the Whispering Pines Club for your inspection you find the following:

Front Gate



Aerial View



Front Door



East Side



East Side Shed & Vent



East Side Means of Exit Door



Main Electrical Disconnect North Side



Exit Door North Side



Main Entrance





Inside Main Entrance



Looking Toward the Shed



Looking at Main Entrance



Looking towards the Shed









STATION E Field Inspection 4

You as a first responder inspector are inspecting Conversion Associates Inc., specifically looking at the fixed fire suppression systems, fire detection and alarm systems, and fire extinguishers to verify the operational readiness of the systems prior to building re-opening to the public after a temporary shutdown. Provided are the photos that you have taken and copies of all documentation that you have been provided.

Conversion Associates Inc. 1728
Cubic Road
Anytown, PA 99999

Date of your inspection May 15, 2024

Complete your field inspection and communicate the results of your inspection in writing in accordance with the policies and procedures of the jurisdiction.

When you arrive at Conversion Associates Inc you find the following:

Alarm Panel



Alarm Battery Backup



Single Smoke Detector Within 10 ft of Alarm Panel



Extinguisher 1 Lobby Area



Extinguisher 1 Close Up



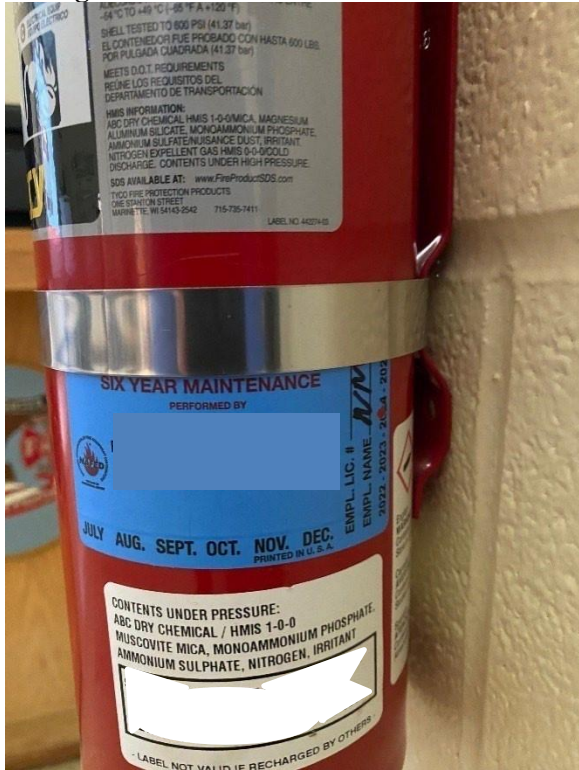
Extinguisher 2 Rear Exit



Extinguisher 2 Picture 2



Extinguisher 2 Picture 3



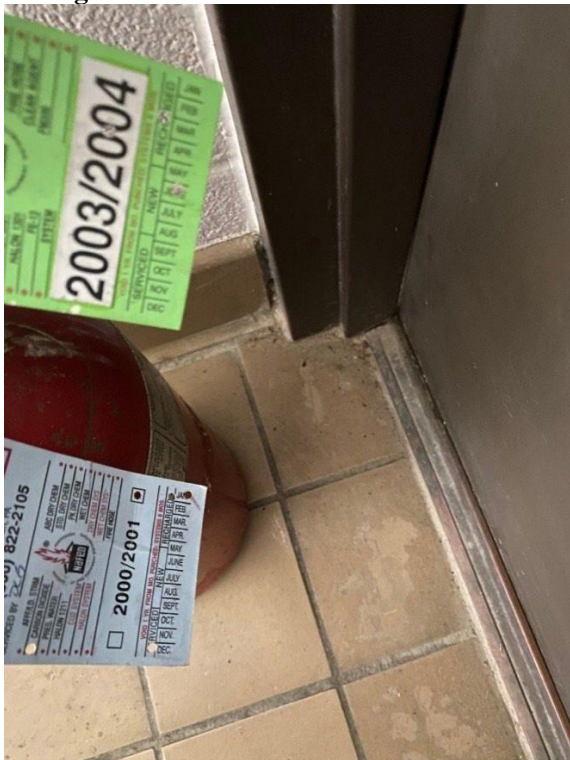
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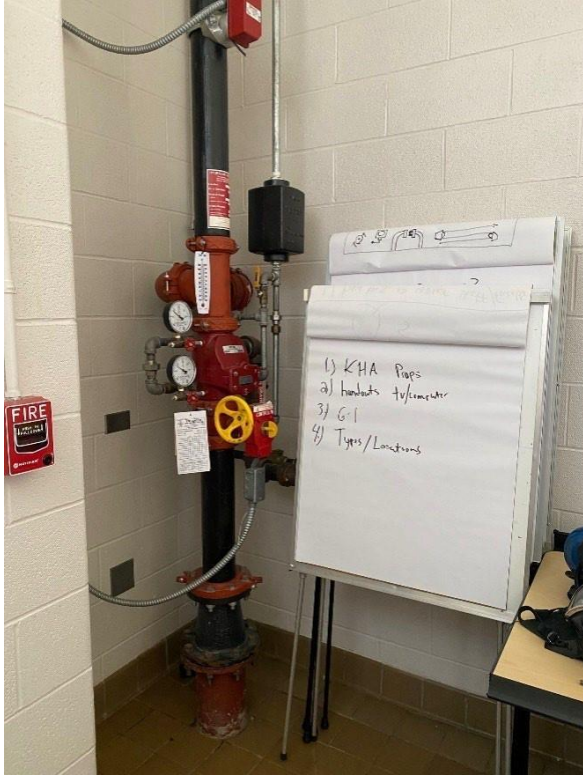
Extinguisher 3 Rear Exit 2 Picture



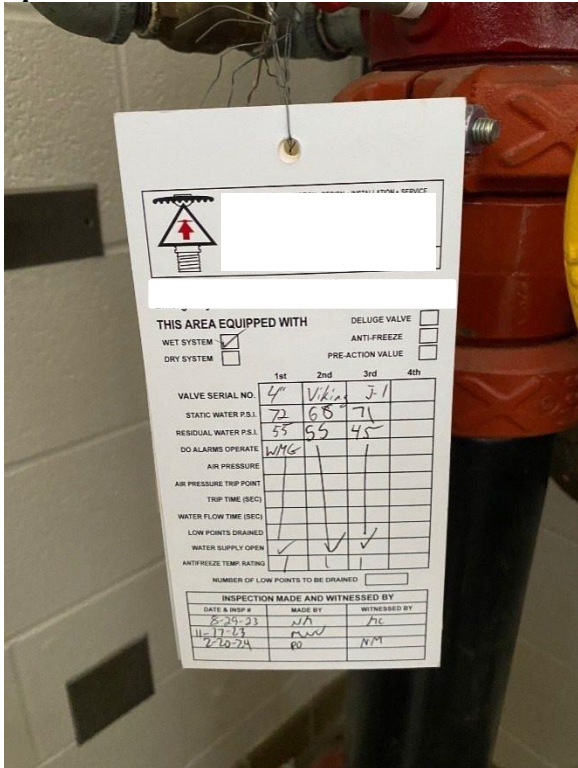
Extinguisher 3 Picture 2



Sprinkler Picture 1



Sprinkler Picture 2



Sprinkler Picture 3





REPORT OF INSPECTION

CUSTOMER: Conversion Associates
PROPERTY: 1728 Cubic Road
ADDRESS: Anytown, PA 99999

SYSTEM TYPE: Wet
SYSTEM NO.: #1
REPORT FREQUENCY: Quarterly
INSPECTOR:
DATE: 3-19-24

Owner's Section (To be answered by Owner or Occupant)

- A. Explain any occupancy hazard changes since last inspection. N/C
B. Explain any fire protection modifications made since last inspection. N/C
C. Describe any fires since last inspection. N/C
D. When was the system piping last checked for stoppage, corrosion or foreign material? 2020
E. When was the dry-piping system last checked for proper pitch? N/A
F. Are dry valves adequately protected from freezing? N/A
Signature: M. J. Fawcett Title: Date: 3/19/24

Inspector's Section (All responses reference current inspection)

NA = NOT APPLICABLE

NC = NO CHANGE

1. General

- a. Is the building occupied? Yes
b. Are all systems in service? Yes
c. Is there a minimum of 18 inches (457mm) clearance between the top of the storage and the sprinkler deflectors? Yes
d. Does all electrical heat tape appear to be satisfactory? NA
e. Does the hand hose on the sprinkler system(s) appear satisfactory? NA

2. Control Valves (See Item 15.)

- a. Are all sprinkler system control valves and all other valves in the appropriate open or closed position? Yes
b. Are all control valves in the open position locked, sealed or equipped with a tamper switch? Yes

3. Water Supplies (See Item 16.)

- a. Was water flow test of main drain made at the sprinkler riser(s)? Yes

4. Tanks, Pumps, Fire Department Connections

- a. Are fire pumps, gravity tanks, reservoirs and pressure tanks in good condition and properly maintained? NA
b. Are fire department connections in satisfactory condition, couplings free, caps in place, and check valves tight? Yes
Are they accessible and visible? Yes

5. Wet Systems

- a. Are cold weather valves (O.S. & Y.) in the appropriate open closed position? Yes
b. Have antifreeze system solutions been tested? NA
c. Were the antifreeze test results satisfactory? NA
d. In areas protected by wet system(s), does the building appear to be properly heated in all areas, including blind attics and perimeter areas where accessible? Yes
Alarm Valve: Make SYSTEM SENSOR Model WFD 25 Size 2.5 Year 2001

6. Dry Systems (See Items 11 to 13)

- a. Are dry valve(s) in service? NA
b. Are the air pressures and priming water levels in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions? NA
c. Have the operations of the air or nitrogen supplies been tested? NA Are they in service? NA
d. Were low points drained during this inspection? NA
e. Did quick-opening devices operate satisfactorily? NA
f. Did the dry valve(s) trip properly during the trip pressure test? NA
g. Did the heating equipment in the dry-pipe valve room(s) operate at the time of inspection? NA
Dry Valve: Make Model Size Year

7. Special Systems (See Item 14)

- a. Did the deluge of pre-action valves operate properly during testing? NA
b. Did the heat-responsive devices operate properly during testing? NA
c. Did the supervisory devices operate during testing? NA

8. Alarms

- a. Did water motor(s) and gong(s) test satisfactorily? NA
b. Did electric alarm(s) test satisfactorily? Yes
c. Did supervisory alarm service test satisfactorily? Yes

9. Sprinklers

- a. Are all sprinklers free from corrosion, loading or obstruction to spray discharge? Yes
b. Are sprinklers less than 50 years old? (Older sprinklers require sample testing) Yes
c. Is stock of spare sprinklers available? Yes
d. Does the exterior condition of sprinkler system appear to be satisfactory? Yes
e. Are sprinklers of proper temperature rating for their locations? Yes

10. Explain any "No" answers and comments:

Signature: Date: 3/19/24

Inspection Report No. _____

System No. _____

- 11. Date dry pipe valve trip tested (control valve partially open) _____ (See Trip Test Table which follows.)
- 12. Date dry pipe valve trip tested (control valve fully open) _____ (See Trip Test Table which follows.)
- 13. Date quick-opening device tested _____ (See Trip Test Table which follows.)

~~DRY PIPE OPERATING TEST~~

DRY VALVE			TRIP TEST TABLE			Q.O.D.			
MAKE		MODEL	SERIAL NO.	MAKE	MODEL	SERIAL NO.			
	Time to Trip (h) U Test Pipe		Water Pressure	Air Pressure	i-rip Point Air Pressure	Time Water Reached Test Ch. tlet		Alarm Operated Properly	
	MIN	S.EC.	PSI	PSI	PSI	MIN	SEC.	YES	NO
Without Q.O.D.									
With Q.O.D.									

- 14. Date deluge or preaction valve tested _____ (See Trip Test Table which follows.)

~~DELUGE & PREACTION VALVES~~

TRIP TEST TABLE											
Operation			<input type="checkbox"/> PNEUMATIC			<input type="checkbox"/> ELECTRIC			<input type="checkbox"/> HYDRAULIC		
Piping supervised?			<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO			Detecting media supervised?			<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		
Does valve operate from the manual trip and/or remote control stations?						YES				NO	
Is there an accessible facility in each circuit for testing?						<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		Method of testing circuits			
MAKE		MODEL		Does each Circuit operate supervision loss arm		Does each circuit operate valve release		Maximum time to operate release			
				YES NO		YES NO		YES NO			

- 15. See Control Valve Maintenance Table.

CONTROL VALVE MAINTENANCE TABLE							Explain Abnormal Condition
Control Valves	Number	Type	Open	Secured	Closed	Signs	
City Connection Control Valve	J	7<+V	V	V			
Tank Control Valves							
Pump Control Valves			V				
Sectional Control Valves	-/	e.g				V	
System Control Valve							
Other Control Valves							

- 16. Water Flow Test at Sprinkler Riser

MAIN DRAIN TEST							
Water Supply Source:		City		Tank		Pump	
Date	Test Pipe Location	Size of Test Pipe	Static Pressure	Residual (Flow) Pressure			
Last Water Flow Test	12/1/23	BSMT	1 1/2	95			
This Water Flow Test	3/19/24		1 1/2	95			

17. Explain any "No" answers and comments: _____

18. Adjustments or corrections made during this inspection: _____

19. Although these comments are not the result of an engineering review, the following desirable improvements are recommended: _____

Signature: _____ Date: 3/19/24

STATION F

Participate in Legal Proceedings

You as a first responder inspector responded to an anonymous complaint at ABC Tavern on January 27, 2024, for blocked egress. During your inspection you found that the rear exit was blocked as shown in the following picture:



As a result of your inspection you cited the owner for the following violations of the 2018 International Fire Code as adopted by local ordinance. The adoptive ordinance is Anytown Ordinance 1-24-2020 and was effective on March 1, 2020:

304.1 Waste accumulation prohibited. Combustible waste material creating a fire hazard shall not be allowed to accumulate in buildings or structures or upon premises.

[BE] 1003.6 Means of egress continuity. *The path of egress travel along a means of egress shall not be interrupted by a building element other than a means of egress component as specified in this chapter. Obstructions shall not be placed in the minimum width or required capacity of a means of egress component except projections permitted by this chapter. The minimum width or required capacity of a means of egress system shall not be diminished along the path of egress travel.*

1031.2 Reliability. *Required exit accesses, exits and exit discharges shall be continuously maintained free from obstructions or impediments to full instant use in the case of fire or other emergency where the building area served by the means of egress is occupied. An exit or exit passageway shall not be used for any purpose that interferes with a means of egress.*

1031.3 Obstructions. *A means of egress shall be free from obstructions that would prevent its use, including the accumulation of snow and ice.*

The owner was found guilty of all violations at the Magisterial District Court trial, and has now filed a summary appeal to the Court of Common Pleas. You are being asked to produce a written deposition for review by your supervisor and the municipal solicitor.

Some key facts of the case are:

ABC Tavern
1730 Laubach Avenue
Suite 4
Anytown, PA 99999

Manager on duty: Michael Warner

You presented your credentials and were granted access to the facility to conduct an inspection Date:

January 27, 2024
Time: 22:10 hours (10:10 pm)

A-2 Occupancy
Maximum permitted occupancy – 650 Observed
occupancy - 625
Total number of exits in the building - 3