SAFM-534 Fire Safety Management

Web Delivery Spring 2019

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Textbooks:

Fire Safety Management Handbook - 3rd Edition (2014)

ISBN: 9781482221220, Publisher- CRC Press

Fire Inspection and Code Enforcement- 8th Edition (2016) ISBN 9780879396053, Publisher-Fire Protection Publications, Oklahoma State University

2015 Life Safety Code- Read only (Free on-line) NFPA.org 2015 Fire Code- Read only (Free on-line) NFPA.org







COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Fire Safety Management is a 3-hour required course with a detailed analysis of fire services, usually provided under safety manager jurisdiction, with special attention to legal compliance, organizational structure, services rendered, training needs, and management techniques.

COURSE FORMAT:

This course is designed for web-based delivery consisting of learning modules, reading assignments, research, individual management reports, case studies, and code-based scenarios. Testing will be automated using the eCampus assessment interface. Individual projects and scenarios must be submitted electronically in a professional management format. Two textbooks will be used in addition to the learning modules. Free on-line fire code references will also be used to complete individual projects. The Spring 2019 web delivery will include the required traditional course goals, objectives, and assessments required by the department curriculum. Students should expect to spend extended time completing the required readings, recommended individual research topics, and other module extensions. The course is time and subject matter compressed and does not mirror all the traditional classroom aspects you would encounter in a lecture. Group projects will be modified to personal projects using a management submission format. Successful completion of the on-line course will prepare the student for all required course tracts (comprehensive, thesis, etc). As with all other Safety Management required courses, this delivery places the student into a management learning role. Students must think and act as new managers, and have a fundamental understanding of basic management techniques, theories, and philosophies. This is a required graduate course that is more demanding and time consuming compared to an elective course. Please approach the course with that in mind.

COURSE LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

To assure upon completion of the Course, the student will be able to analyze a comprehensive fire service program, usually provided under safety management jurisdiction, with special attention to legal compliance, organizational structure, services rendered, training needs and management techniques. Upon completion of the Course the student will be able to:

- CLO1 Conduct the management of a fire prevention and abatement program.
- CLO2 Describe legal bases for establishing fire service operations (NFPA & IBC) and fire safety organizations and their management.
- CLO3 Evaluate effectiveness of fire prevention, detection, control and emergency systems.
- CLO4 Recommend qualifications, training and education of personnel in planning and use of fire service systems.
- CLO5 Describe hazard communications and hazardous materials.
- CLO6 Describe components of fire service communications and dispatching.
- CLO7 Evaluate Fire Prevention and Inspection Programs.
- CLO8 Identify and apply the characteristics of Fire Behavior and Chemistry.
- CLO9 Identify and review basic building construction types and features.

Assessments to Course Objectives:

- 1. Analyze standards for fire prevention and protection thru various textbooks and code editions
- 2. Learning module completion and testing of core subjects
- 3. Individual projects based on knowledge of the legal bases, techniques, and codes promulgated by NFPA and IBC.
- 4. Analyze information gathered from literature searches and assigned reading projects
- 5. Virtual inspections of hazardous conditions.
- 6. On-line discussions
- 7. Midterm Examination
- 8. Management report submission in professional format
- 9. Case study submissions reports
- 10. Final examination.

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CONDENSED DELIVERY

Spring 2019 is delivered in an 8-week format. This is a time condensed required course which makes it more challenging to the student and instructor. There is a two-week period between the completion of module 6 and 7 to finish the major course project and prepare for the final exam. It is imperative that all course work be completed on-time. Falling behind even a few days could significantly alter your performance and grade.

CLASS AGENDA AND TOPICS: (Condensed Course Begins: March 4, 2019)

Books: FSMH (Fire Safety Management Handbook) FICE (Fire Inspection and Code Enforcement)

Module 1 Course Overview

Fire Safety Organizations and Management

Reading Assignments-FSMH (Ch. 1, 3, 9, 10, 12) FICE (Intro + Ch. 1)

Case Study Module Test

Module is due: March 8, 2019

Module 2 Fire Behavior and Chemistry

Reading Assignments-FSMH (Ch. 2) FICE (Ch. 3)

Case Study Module Test

Module is due: March 15, 2019 *Quiz is due: March 20, 2019

Module 3 Fire and Building Codes/Standards

Reading Assignments-FSMH (Ch. 9 + Appendix) FICE (Ch. 1, 2)

Code Scenarios Module Test Mid-Term Exam

Module is due: March 22, 2019

Module 4 Building Construction

Code Scenarios due

Reading Assignments-FSMH (Ch. 5) FICE (Ch. 4, 5, 6, 16)

Module Test

Module is due: March 29, 2019

Module 5 Fire Detection, Suppression, and Control Systems

Reading Assignments-FSMH (Ch. 6, 7) FICE (Ch. 9, 10, 11)

Case Study Module Test

Module is due: April 5, 2019

Module 6 Fire Prevention and Inspection Programs

Reading Assignments-FSMH (Ch. 3, 8, 10) FICE (Ch. 12, 17)

Management Report Project

Module Test

Module is due: April 12, 2019

Module 7 Hazardous Materials

Reading Assignments-FSMH (Ch. 4) FICE (Ch. 14, 15)

Module Test Case Study

Management Report Due

Final Exam

Module is due: April 26, 2019 *Final Exam and all assignments are due!

READING ASSIGNMENTS:

All reading assignments are critical to the student passing this course. The learning modules will provide a broad overview of the present subject matter, with key elements identified. Graphic illustrations and video support will also help the student obtain a starting point for further learning. The subject matter beyond the learning modules is very technical in nature and will require extended reading and individual research.

GRADING:

The grading and course requirements are listed below. The grading is based on a system of points (250) accumulated on a variety of performance measures including automated tests and project submissions. Cumulative points will be awarded for the various activities with the point system listed below. There will be no make-up exams except for medical and other pertinent reasons. Module tests and submissions must be completed on the given schedule.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS AND GRADING PLAN:

		Points
I	Module Tests @ 10 points each	70
II	Mid-Term Examination	60
III	Code Scenario (2) Case Studies (4) Quiz (1) @ 5 points each	35
IV	Management Report Project	25
V	Final Exam	60

Total Points 250

GRADE POINT SCALE

A	=	100 - 90%	=	250 - 225
В	=	89 - 80%	=	224 - 200
C	=	79 - 70%	=	199 - 175
D	=	69 - 60%	=	174 - 150
F	=	59 - 0%	=	149 - 0

GRADING DETAILS:

Module Tests

You will be tested on the content of each module (online material, text and other readings). The tests will consist of 5 short statement questions delivered by the E-Campus assessment application. Module tests are worth 10 points each.

Mid-Term Examination

The exam will cover Modules 1 through 3. Questions will be short statements, true or false, and multiple choice. The mid-term exam is worth 60 points and will be delivered by the E-Campus assessment application.

Code Scenarios, Case Studies, Quiz

There will be four case studies, two code scenarios, and one quiz, each worth 5 points each. Case studies will require individual research through course materials, and other resources to connect course objectives to real-world examples. Case study reports can be answered usually in 2-3 pages, with specific data and listed references, or a written summary of assigned subject. For example: Read the NFPA case study of the Station Inn Nightclub Fire. Summarize the code violations that lead to the deadly Station Inn fire of 2003. List and describe the code changes that were implemented in response to the tragedy.

Code Scenarios will require using on-line code resources to determine what requirements apply to a given scenario. For example: A code scenario may describe or illustrate (through text, pictures or video) a specific condition or plan. Management has decided to replace the existing stairways to the 2nd floor warehouse storage area. Using the Life Safety Code, summarize the details of the construction requirements for new stairs. What specific code sections apply to new stairs? Code scenarios can be answered in 2-3 pages.

There is one 10-question quiz that will be given after the completion of module 2. The questions are taken exclusively from the reading assignments for module 1 & 2.

Management Report Project

A virtual inspection of an industrial facility will be presented through photos, video, and provided data. First, you will develop your own inspection form or checklist to use with the video (1-3 pages). Next, you must present a report to upper management that identifies violations or areas of concern, and recommend corrective measures, training, etc. Conditions or processes that appear to be a possible liability not covered through prescriptive codes must be examined through risk evaluation and management. The report must be presented professionally within (3-5 pages), and may include charts or graphics such as power point, etc. Finally, you will develop an OSHA Fire Prevention Plan for the given facility (8-15 typed pages). The management report is worth 25 points.

Final Exam

Final Exam will cover modules 4 through 7 and will be short statements, true or false, and multiple choice. The final exam is worth 60 points and will be delivered by the E-Campus assessment application.

OBJECTIVES RUBRIC:

As part of continuous improvement and quantitative metrics, each learning activity is associated with module and course level objectives. Please see the attached chart.

Module	Course Level Objectives	Module Level Objectives	Learning Activities
Module 1: Fire Safety	CLO2/6	M1LO1 List and describe the major fire safety management	Read eCampus Module 1 (CLO2/6, M1LO1-5)
Organization and Management		organizations currently available to assist the public and private sector.	Read Fire Safety Management – Chapters 1, 3, 9, 10, 12 (CLO2/6, M1LO1-5)
		M1LO2 Explain the historical significance of the National Fire Protection Association. M1LO3 Navigate and	Read Fire Inspection and Code Enforcement – Introduction, Chapter 1 (CLO2/6, M1LO1-5)
		research web pages of the major fire safety organizations.	Read NFPA 600—Industrial Fire Brigade Standard (CLO2/6, M1LO4)
		M1LO4 Identify and compare the differences between public and private fire protection (industrial fire brigades, special services,	Read Module 1 Notes (CLO2/6, M1LO1-5) Module 1 Discussion (CL02/6
		etc.).	ML102)
		M1LO5 Analyze and explain the managerial aspects of fire safety management integration.	Module 1 Case Study (CLO2/6, M1LO1, M1L03)
Module 2: Fire Behavior and Chemistry	CLO8	M2LO1 List and describe the elements of the fire triangle and fire tetrahedron. M2LO2 Explain the physical and chemical changes of matter during the combustion process	Test 1 (CLO2/6, M1LO1-M1LO5) Read eCampus Module 2 (CLO8, M2LO1-6) Read Fire Safety Management — Chapter 2 (CLO8, M2LO1-6) Read Fire Inspection and Code

Module 2 Cont:		M2LO3 Identify and explain the methods of heat transfer, products of combustion, and the self-sustained chemical reaction of fire. M2LO4 List and explain the different classes of fires. M2LO5 Discuss the stages of compartmentalized fire development. M2LO6 Describe the methods used to control and extinguish fires of each class	Enforcement – Chapter 3 (CLO8, M2LO1-6) Read Module 2 Notes (CLO8, M2LO1-6) Module 2 Case Study (CLO8, M2LO3, M2LO5, M2LO6) Quiz Modules 1-2 (CL02/6/8; M1L01/4/5, /M2L02/3/4) Test 2 (CLO8, M2LO1-M2LO6)
Module 3: Fire and Building Codes	CLO2/9	M3LO1 Explain the historical significance of fire codes in the United States. M3LO2 Define and explain codes, standards, and regulations. M3LO3 Discuss the two primary organizations that develop fire and building standards. M3LO4 Explain the differences and uses of prescriptive and performance based codes. M3LO5 Discuss the similarities and differences between fire and building codes. M3LO6 Recognize the extremely broad scope of the Life Safety Code. M3LO7 Use on-line code resources to research compliance issues.	Read eCampus Module 3 (CLO2, M3LO1-08) Read Fire Safety Management — Chapter 9 (CLO2, M3LO1-8) Read Fire Inspection and Code Enforcement — Chapters 1-2 (CLO2, M3LO1-8) Read Module 3 Notes (CLO2, M3LO1-8) Module 3 Discussion (CLO2, M3LO2, M3LO3) Module 3 Code Scenarios (CLO2/9, M3LO2, M3LO2, M3LO4, M3LO6, M3LO7) Test 3 (CLO2, M3LO1-8) Midterm Exam (CL02/6/8, M1LO1-5, M2LO1-6, M3LO1-8)

Module 3 Cont:		M3LO8 Discuss the relevance of the fire safety provisions in OSHA regulations.	
Module 4: Building Construction	CLO9	M4LO1 Identify and define the major construction types defined by Model Fire and Building Codes. M4LO2 Explain the inherent hazards, advantages, and disadvantages of each construction type components of and requirements for accessory property. M4LO3 Discuss the concept of construction compartmentalization. M4LO4 Describe both the advantages and limitations of "passive" fire protection features. M4LO5 Identify and discuss fire-rated partitions, fire walls, fire doors, and dampers. M4LO6 Recognize the importance of fire-stopping materials. M4LO7 Discuss the impact of interior finish materials, and the differences in classifications. M4LO8 Identify the major sections of site plans and construction drawings.	Read eCampus Module 4 (CLO9, M4LO1-8) Read Fire Safety Management — Chapter 5 (CLO9, M4LO1-8) Read Fire Inspection and Code Enforcement — Chapters 4, 5, 6, and 16 (CLO9, M4LO1-8) Read Module 4 Notes (CLO9, M4LO1-8) Test 4 (CLO9, M4LO1-8)
Module 5: Fire Detection, Suppression, and Control Systems	CLO3/8	M5LO1 Define and explain manual and automatic fire alarm systems, and their associated components.	Read eCampus Module 5 (CLO3/8, M5LO1-7) Read Fire Safety Management —

Module 5 Cont:		M5LO2 Recognize the historical significance of early fire alarm and sprinkler systems M5LO3 Describe the components and functionality of the different types of sprinkler systems. M5LO4 Discuss the types of special agent suppression systems, and where they are needed or required. M5LO5 Describe the advantages, and limitations of "active" fire protection features. M5LO6 Identify and discuss each classification of portable fire extinguisher. M5LO7 Recognize special fire control systems such as stand pipes, smoke management and fire dampers.	Chapters 6-7 (CLO3/8, M5LO1-7) Read Fire Inspection and Code Enforcement — Chapters 9-11 (CLO3/8, M5LO1-7) Read Module 5 Notes (CLO3/8, M5LO1-7) Module 4 and 5 Discussion (CLO3/8/9, M4LO4, M5LO5) Module 5 Case Study (CLO3/6/8/9, M5LO3, M5LO5, M5LO7) Test 5 (CLO3/8, M5LO1-7)
Module 6: Fire Prevention and Inspection	CLO1/4/7	M6LO1 List and explain the core elements (objectives) of a Fire Safety Management Program. M6LO2 Describe the minimum requirements of a required OSHA Fire Prevention Plan. M6LO3 Describe the minimum requirements of a required OSHA Emergency Action Plan. M6LO4 Describe the minimum requirements of a required Fire Code Emergency Plan.	Read eCampus Module 6 (CLO1/4/7, M6LO1-8) Read Fire Safety Management — Chapters 3, 8, and 10 (CLO1/4/7, M6LO1-8) Read Fire Inspection and Code Enforcement — Chapters 12 and 17 (CLO1/4/7, M6LO1-8) Read Module 6 Notes (CLO1/4/7,M6LO1-8) Module 6 Discussion (CL04/7, M6L02-6)

Module 6 Cont:		M6LO5 Recognize and Identify common fire and life safety hazards. M6LO6 List and discuss the major elements of a fire and life safety inspections. M6LO7 Explain the regulatory inspection process. M6LO8 Discuss the importance and requirements of recordkeeping.	Test 6 (CLO1/4/7, M6LO1-8)
Module 7: Hazardous Materials	CLO5	M7LO1 List and describe the nine classes of Hazardous Materials. M7LO2 Describe the minimum requirements of OSHA Hazard Communication regulations. M7LO3 Explain the purpose and contents of Safety Data Sheets (SDS or MSDS). M7LO4 Recognize, identify, and explain the NFPA 704 Hazard Marking System. M7LO5 Recognize and identify the Department of Transportation Placard System. M7LO6 Explain the importance of Maximum Allowable Quantities (MAQ's) of Hazardous Materials. M7LO7 Explain the importance of proper fire prevention measures when storing, handling, or transporting Hazardous Materials.	Read eCampus Module 7 (CLO5, M7LO1-7) Read Fire Safety Management — Chapter 4 (CLO5, M7LO1-7) Read Fire Inspection and Code Enforcement — Chapters 14-15 (CLO5, M7LO1-7) Read Module 7 Notes (CLO5, M7LO1-7) Individual Case Study (CLO5, M7LO2, M7LO3) Test 7 (CLO5, M7LO1- M7LO7) Final Exam (CLO1- CLO5, CLO7, CLO9, M4LO1-8, M6LO1-8, M7O1-7)

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