

FIRE FIGHTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE
AGENDA
September 27, 2012, 9:00 A.M.
William B. Travis Building, Room 1-104, Austin, Texas

The Fire Fighter Advisory Committee will convene in open session to deliberate and possibly take formal action on any of the following agenda items:

1. Roll call – 9:00 a.m.
2. Adoption of the June 7, 2012 Fire Fighter Advisory Committee meeting minutes.
3. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed new title 37 TAC, Chapter 411, Injury Prevention Initiatives, including but not limited to, §411.1, Fire Service Joint Labor Management Wellness-Fitness Initiative, §411.3, Fire Protection Personnel Injuries, §411.5, Courage To Be Safe So Everyone Goes Home Program, and §411.7, Fire Protection Staffing Studies.
4. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed rule changes to title 37 TAC, Chapter 427, Training Facility Certification, including but not limited to, §427.307, On-Site and Distance Training Provider Staff Requirements.
5. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed rule changes to title 37 TAC, Chapter 435, Fire Fighter Safety, including but not limited to, §435.1, Protective Clothing, §435.5, Commission Recommendations, §435.7, Fire Department Staffing Studies, §435.17, Procedures for Interior Structural Fire Fighting (2-In/2-Out Rule), §435.21, Fire Service Joint Labor Management Wellness Fitness Initiative, §435.23, Fire Fighter Injuries, and §435.25, Courage to be Safe So Everyone Goes Home Program.
6. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed rule changes to title 37 TAC, Chapter 441, Continuing Education, including but not limited to, §441.3, Definitions, §441.5, Requirements, §441.7, Continuing Education for Structure Fire Protection Personnel, §441.9, Continuing Education for Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting Personnel, §441.11, Continuing Education for Marine Fire Protection Personnel, §441.13, Continuing Education for Fire Inspector Personnel, §441.15, Continuing Education for Arson Investigator or Fire Investigator, §441.17, Continuing Education for Hazardous Materials Technician, §441.19, Continuing Education for Head of a Fire Department, and §441.21, Continuing Education for Fire Service Instructor.
7. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed rule changes to title 37 TAC, Chapter 449, Head of a Fire Department, including but not limited to, §449.1, Minimum Standard for the Head of a Fire Department, §449.3 Minimum Standards for Certification as Head of a Suppression Fire Department, and §449.5, Minimum Standards for Certification as Head of a Prevention Only Department.
8. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed rule changes to title 37 TAC, Chapter 451, Fire Officer, including but not limited to, new Subchapter C, Minimum Standards For Fire Officer III, §451.301, Fire Officer III Certification, §451.303, Minimum Standards For Fire Officer III Certification, §451.305, Examination Requirements, new Subchapter D, Minimum Standards For Fire Officer IV, §451.401, Fire Officer IV Certification, §451.403, Minimum Standards For Fire Officer IV Certification, and §451.405, Examination Requirements.
9. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed rule changes to title 37 TAC, Chapter 453, Minimum Standards For Hazardous Materials Technician, including but not limited to, new Subchapter A, Hazardous Materials Technician, §453.1, Hazardous Materials Technician Certification, §453.3, Minimum Standards For Hazardous Materials Technician Certification, §453.5, Examination Requirements, and §453.7, International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC) Seal, new Subchapter B, Hazardous Materials Incident Commander, §453.201, Hazardous Materials Incident Commander, §453.203, Minimum Standards For Hazardous Materials Incident Commander, and §453.205, Examination Requirements.

10. Report from the Curriculum and Testing Committee with discussion and possible action on recommendations regarding changes to the Certification Curriculum Manual, including but not limited to:
 - a. Fire Officer III Curriculum, reference list and curriculum outline
 - b. Fire Officer IV Curriculum, reference list and curriculum outline
 - c. Basic Wildland Fire Fighter Curriculum, reference list and curriculum outline
 - d. Head of a Fire Department Curriculum, reference list and skill sheets

11. Discussion and possible action pursuant to Section 2001.039, Texas Government Code with respect to the proposed rule reviews and consideration of re-adoption of each of the rules contained in the following Chapters of Title 37 Texas Administrative Code:
 - A. 37 TAC, Chapter 421, Standards for Certification
 - B. 37 TAC, Chapter 423, Fire Suppression
 - C. 37 TAC, Chapter 425, Fire Service Instructors
 - D. 37 TAC, Chapter 427, Training Facility Certification
 - E. 37 TAC, Chapter 429, Minimum Standards for Fire Inspectors
 - F. 37 TAC, Chapter 439, Examinations for Certification
 - G. 37 TAC, Chapter 441, Continuing Education
 - H. 37 TAC, Chapter 451, Fire Officer
 - I. 37 TAC, Chapter 453, Minimum Standards for Hazardous Materials Technician
 - J. 37 TAC, Chapter 491, Voluntary Regulation of State Agencies and State Agency Employees
 - K. 37 TAC, Chapter 493, Voluntary Regulation of Federal Agencies and Federal Fire Fighters
 - L. 37 TAC, Chapter 495, Regulation of Nongovernmental Departments

12. Discussion and possible action on future meeting dates, agenda items and locations.

13. Adjourn meeting.