

Arizona Center for Fire Service Excellence

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Hello Stakeholders,

The Arizona Center for Fire Service Excellence (AzCFSE) has been working hard for the past fifteen years to assist everyone with their fire service training needs. We currently administer certification exams for the IFSAC accredited levels of Firefighter I & II, HazMat Awareness & Operations, Fire Instructor I, Fire Instructor II, Fire Officer I and Fire Officer II. Fire Inspector and Fire Investigator exams are also administered for State certification. In addition, we also offer Certificates of Completion for approved workshops that meet our course outlines.

With your help and by inviting Subject Matter Experts (SME) to review test questions and JPR's, we can keep all courses and certification programs up to date and relevant to meet current standards, which enables us to continue working with you to meet your training needs.

A little history, our agency was formed in January 2010 after the Office of the State Fire Marshal dropped training and certification testing. Since then, our only source of revenue comes from testing and certificate fees. This funding covers two full-time positions, all necessary materials to process certificates, proctor fees to oversee and administer testing, administrative and logistical help with the annual Arizona Fire School, and multiple other miscellaneous items.

So, as the cost of everything continues to rise and we have not increased our testing fees for more than four years or Certificate of Completion fees for at least 15 years, it is now necessary to increase these fees to keep up with inflation.

- **Certificate of Completion** – *(Workshops)*
 - Increase from \$25 to **\$30**
- **Certification Programs** – *(Written Exams Only for Fire Inspector & Fire Investigator)*
 - Increase from \$75 to **\$100**
- **Certification Programs** – *(Written & Practical Skills Exams/Projects)*
 - Increase from \$125 to **\$150**
- **Combination HazMat & Firefighter Programs** –
 - Increase from \$200 to **\$250** (\$300 Regular Rate minus \$50) ***

***NOTE: The combined rate for HazMat & Firefighter testing applies when:

- HazMat & Firefighter written and practical skills exams are tested together on the same date or on back-to-back dates. *(i.e., All written and practical exams are tested on one date, usually for smaller programs, OR both written exams on Day 1 and both practical exams on Day 2)*

The new rates will go into effect on **July 1, 2025**, for all certification programs scheduled to test on or after this date and all workshops ending on or after this date.

Thank you for your help and continued support,



Bob Hansen, AzCFSE Executive Director