

Standardized Curriculum Form Ontario, Canada

Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management Curriculum based on NFPA 1031, Chapter 4, 2014 Edition

FIRE INSPECTOR I

National Fire Protection Association Standard for Fire Inspector and Plan Examiner Professional Qualifications

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The OFMEM Academic Standards and Evaluation Unit Standardized Curriculum Forms in Ontario, Canada, are based on internationally-recognized, competency-based, professional qualification standards through the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA). Columns within this form from pages 4 and onward are composed of:

NFPA Objective

National Fire Protection Association Objectives are major competencies and Job Performance Requirements (JPR) within a professional qualifications standard that learners must acquire before successful completion of voluntary testing and certification. To attain these competencies, the OFMEM is offering flexible training delivery models centered on being accessible, attainable, and affordable.

Requisite Knowledge

As defined in published NFPA Professional Qualifications Standards, Requisite Knowledge is "Fundamental knowledge one must have in order to perform a specific task". This can be acquired by referring to the various suggested readings described below. Information used to construct multiple choice test questions in the Provincial Certification Exam for FIRE INSPECTOR I is derived from these materials.

Requisite Skills

As defined in published NFPA Professional Qualifications Standards, Requisite Skills are "The essential skills one must have in order to perform a specific task". This can be acquired by referring to the various suggested readings described below along with the latest version of the Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management's Skills Sheets Booklet for FIRE INSPECTOR I. This booklet is used by Provincial Examiners to evaluate Requisite Skill requirements for those voluntarily seeking certification to NFPA 1031, Chapter 4, 2014 Edition.

Suggested Readings

A total of 100 multiple choice questions in the Provincial Certification Exam for FIRE INSPECTOR I (NFPA 1031-2014) will appear on the test, and are derived from the following suggested readings:

<u>Pu</u>	<u>blisher/Title/Edition</u>	Key Word Reference
1.	 NFPA 1031, Standard for Professional Qualifications for Fire Inspector and Plan Examiner, 2014 Edition Refer to Chapter 4 regarding Fire Inspector I (pgs. 8 - 10) 	NFPA 1031, 2014 Ed.
2.	 IFSTA, <i>Fire Inspection and Code Enforcement</i>, 8th Edition Refer to sections within chapters covering Fire Inspector I material 	IFSTA FICE, 8 th Ed.
	OR	
3.	 Jones and Bartlett, <i>Fire Inspector, Principles and Practice</i>, 1st Edition Refer to sections within chapters covering Fire Inspector I material 	J&B FIPP, 1 st Ed.
	AND	
4.	 AND <i>Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997</i> (within 2015 Ontario Fire Code Compendium) Refer to Part VI - Inspections (pgs. 19 - 25) 	FPPA, 1997
4. 5.	Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997 (within 2015 Ontario Fire Code Compendium)	FPPA, 1997 Fire Code, 2015
	 <i>Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997</i> (within 2015 Ontario Fire Code Compendium) Refer to Part VI - Inspections (pgs. 19 - 25) <i>2015 Ontario Fire Code Compendium</i> Refer to Division A - Part 1 (pgs. 79 - 89); Division B - Part 2 (pgs. 113 - 134), Part 3 	

Knowledge Test Weighting (Out of 100%)

This column references percentage of multiple choice questions that will appear on the Provincial Certification Exam for knowledge-based testing for FIRE INSPECTOR I.

Questions are validated by a Provincial Advisory Committee (PAC), and used for voluntary, knowledge-based testing of those seeking certification to NFPA 1031, Chapter 4, 2014 Edition through the Academic Standards and Evaluation Unit of the Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management. A mark of 70% or better is required to receive a "Pass" on the knowledge test.

Skill Sheet

This column references skill objectives that will be evaluated by the Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management, to test Requisite Skill requirements of FIRE INSPECTOR I for those voluntarily seeking certification to NFPA 1031, Chapter 4, 2014 Edition.

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Standard: NFPA 1031, Chapter 4, 2014 Edition

NFPA Objective	Requisite Knowledge	Requisite Skills	Suggested Readings	Knowledge Test Weighting	Skill Sheet #
4.1* General					
The Fire Inspector I shall meet the job performance requirements defined in Sections 4.2 through 4.4. In addition, the Fire Inspector I shall meet the requirements of Section 4.2 of NFPA 472.					
4.2* Administration					
This duty involves the preparation of correspondence and inspection reports, handling of complaints, and maintenance of records, as well as participation in legal proceedings and maintenance of open dialogue with the plan examiner and emergency response personnel according to the following job performance requirements.					
4.2.1			4		
Prepare inspection reports, given agency policy and procedures, and observations from an assigned field inspection.	Applicable codes and standards adopted by the jurisdiction	The ability to conduct a field inspection	IFSTA FICE, 8 th Ed. Chapter 16	7% of questions	Skill Sheet #1
	Policies of the jurisdiction	The ability to apply codes and standards			
		The ability to communicate orally The ability to communicate in writing			
4.2.2					
Recognize the need for a permit, given a situation or condition.	Permit policies of the jurisdiction	The ability to communicate orally	IFSTA FICE, 8 th Ed. Chapter 2	1% of questions	Skill Sheet #2
	The rationale for the permit	The ability to communicate in writing			





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			J&B FIPP, 1 st Ed. Chapter 1		
4.2.3					
Recognize the need for plan review, given a situation or condition.	Plan review policies of the jurisdiction	The ability to communicate orally	IFSTA FICE, 8 th Ed. Chapter 15	3% of questions	Skill Sheet #3
	The rationale for the plan review	The ability to communicate in writing			
	^		J&B FIPP, 1 st Ed. Chapter 6		
4.2.4			_		
Investigate common complaints, given a reported situation or condition.	Applicable codes and standards adopted by the jurisdiction	The ability to apply codes and standards	IFSTA FICE, 8 th Ed. Chapters 2, 16	5% of questions	Skill Sheet #4
	Policies of the jurisdiction	The ability to communicate orally			
		The ability to communicate in writing	J&B FIPP, 1 st Ed.		
		The ability to recognize problems	Chapter 5		
		The ability to resolve complaints	1		
4.2.5					
Identify the applicable code or standard, given a fire protection, fire prevention, or life safety issue.	Applicable codes and standards adopted by the jurisdiction	The ability to apply codes and standards	IFSTA FICE, 8 th Ed. Chapter 2	1% of questions	Skill Sheet #5
			J&B FIPP, 1 st Ed. Chapter 14		
4.2.6					
Participate in legal proceedings, given the findings of a field inspection or a complaint and consultation with legal counsel.	The legal requirements pertaining to evidence rules in the legal system	The ability to maintain a professional courtroom demeanor	IFSTA FICE, 8 th Ed. Chapter 1	6% of questions	Skill Sheet #6
consultation with legal counsel.	Types of legal proceedings	The ability to communicate	J&B FIPP, 1 st Ed.		
		The ability listen	Chapter 14		
		The ability to differentiate facts from opinions			
			FPPA, 1997 Part VI		
4.3 Field Inspection					
This duty involves fire safety inspections of new and existing structures and properties for					





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construction, occupancy, fire protection, and exposures, according to the following job performance requirements.					
4.3.1					
Identify the occupancy classification of a single- use occupancy, given a description of the occupancy and its use.	Occupancy classification types	The ability to make observations	IFSTA FICE, 8 th Ed. Chapters 4, 6	6% of questions	Skill Sheet #7
	adopted by the jurisdiction Chapters 3, 5	J&B FIPP, 1 st Ed. Chapters 3, 5			
	Operational features Fire hazards presented by various occupancies		Fire Code, 2015 Division A - Part 1		
			Building Code, 2012 Division B - Part 3		
4.3.2					
Compute the allowable occupant load of a single- use occupancy or portion thereof, given a detailed description of the occupancy.	Occupancy classification	The ability to calculate occupant loads	IFSTA FICE, 8 th Ed. Chapter 7	4% of questions	Skill Sheet #8
	Applicable codes, regulations, and standards adopted by the jurisdiction	Identify occupancy factors related to various occupancy classifications	J&B FIPP, 1 st Ed. Chapters 3, 7		
	Regulations and standards adopted by the jurisdiction	Use measuring tools	Fire Code, 2015		
	Operational features Fire hazards presented by various occupancies	Make field sketches	Division B - Part 2		
422	Occupant load factors				
4.3.3 Inspect means of egress elements, given observations made during a field inspection of an existing building.	Applicable codes and standards adopted by the jurisdiction related to means of egress elements	The ability to observe and recognize problems	IFSTA FICE, 8 th Ed. Chapter 7	6% of questions	Skill Sheet #9
	Maintenance requirements of egress elements	Calculate	J&B FIPP, 1 st Ed.		
	Types of construction	Make basic decisions related to the means of egress	Chapter 7		
	Occupancy egress requirements	Use measuring tools	Fire Code, 2015		
	Relationship of fixed fire protection systems to	Make field sketches	Division B - Part 2		





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	egress requirements and to approved means of egress elements, including, but not limited to, doors, hardware, and lights		Building Code, 2012 Division B - Part 3		
4.3.4					
Verify the type of construction for an addition or remodeling project, given field observations or a description of the project and the materials being used.	Applicable codes and standards adopted by the jurisdiction	The ability to read plans	IFSTA FICE, 8 th Ed. Chapters 4, 5. 6 J&B, FIPP, 1 st Ed.	6% of questions	Skill Sheet #10
	Types of construction	The ability to make decisions	Chapters 2, 5		
	Rated construction components Accepted building construction methods Accepted building construction materials	The ability to apply codes and standards			
4.3.5					
Determine the operational readiness of existing fixed fire suppression systems, given test documentation and field observations.	A basic understanding of the components and operation of fixed fire suppression systems	The ability to observe	IFSTA FICE, 8 th Ed. Chapters 12, 13	8% of questions	Skill Sheet #11
	Applicable codes and standards	The ability to make decisions	J&B FIPP, 1 st Ed.		
		The ability to recognize problems	Chapter 9		
		The ability to read reports	Fire Code, 2015 Division B - Part 6		
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			Building Code, 2012 Division B - Part 3		
4.3.6					
Determine the operational readiness of existing fire detection and alarm systems, given test documentation and field observations.	A basic understanding of the components and operation of fire detection and alarm systems and devices	The ability to observe	IFSTA FICE, 8 th Ed. Chapter 14	6% of questions	Skill Sheet #12
	Applicable codes and standards	The ability to make decisions	J&B FIPP, 1 st Ed.		
		The ability to recognize problems	Chapter 8		
		The ability to read reports			
4.3.7					
Determine the operational readiness of existing portable fire extinguishers, given field observations and test documentation.	A basic understanding of portable fire extinguishers, including their components and placement	The ability to observe	IFSTA FICE, 8 th Ed. Chapter 13	5% of questions	Skill Sheet #13





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	Applicable codes and standards	The ability to make decisions	J&B FIPP, 1 st Ed.		
		The ability to recognize problems	Chapter 10		
		The ability to read reports			
4.3.8					
Recognize hazardous conditions involving equipment, processes, and operations, given field observations.	Practices and techniques of code compliance inspections	The ability to observe	IFSTA FICE, 8 th Ed. Chapters 3, 9, 10	5% of questions	Skill Sheet #14
	Fire behavior	The ability to communicate	J&B FIPP, 1 st Ed.		
	Fire prevention practices	The ability to apply codes and standards	Chapters 11, 12, 13		
	Ignition sources	The ability to recognize problems			
	Safe housekeeping practices	The ability to make decisions			
	Classification of hazardous materials				
4.3.9					
Compare an approved plan to an existing fire protection system, given approved plans and field observations.	Fire protection symbols	The ability to read and comprehend plans for fire protection systems	IFSTA FICE, 8 th Ed. Chapter 15	2% of questions	Skill Sheet #15
	Fire protection terminology	The ability to observe	J&B FIPP, 1 st Ed.		
		The ability to communicate	Chapter 9		
		The ability to apply codes and standards			
		The ability to recognize problems	Fire Code, 2015		
		The ability to make decisions	Division B - Part 6		
4.3.10					
Verify that emergency planning and preparedness measures are in place and have been practiced, given field observations, copies of emergency plans, and records of exercises.	Requirements relative to emergency evacuation drills that are required within the jurisdiction	The ability to identify the emergency evacuation requirements contained in the applicable codes and standards	IFSTA FICE, 8 th Ed. Chapter 16 J&B FIPP, 1 st Ed.	4% of questions	Skill Sheet #16
	Ways to conduct and/or evaluate fire drills in various occupancies	Interpret plans	Chapter 7		
	Human behavior during fires and other emergencies	Interpret reports			
4.3.11					
Inspect emergency access for an existing site, given field observations.	Applicable codes and standards	The ability to identify the emergency access requirements contained in the applicable codes and standards	IFSTA FICE, 8 th Ed. Chapter 8	3% of questions	Skill Sheet #17
	Policies of the jurisdiction	The ability to observe	J&B FIPP, 1 st Ed.		





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	Emergency access and accessibility requirements	The ability to make decisions	Chapters 5, 7		
		The ability to use measuring tools			
4.3.12					
Verify code compliance for incidental storage, handling, and use of flammable and combustible liquids and gases, given field observations and inspection guidelines from the AHJ.	Classification of incidental amounts of flammable and combustible liquids and gases	The ability to observe	IFSTA FICE, 8 th Ed. Chapter 9 J&B FIPP, 1 st Ed.	6% of questions	Skill Sheet #18
inspection guidennes from the Art.	Properties of incidental amounts of flammable and combustible liquids and gases	The ability to communicate	Chapter 12		
	Labeling of incidental amounts of flammable and combustible liquids and gases	The ability to apply codes and standards	Fire Code, 2015 Division B - Part 4		
	Storage of incidental amounts of flammable and combustible liquids and gases	The ability to recognize problems			
	Handling of incidental amounts of flammable and combustible liquids and gases	The ability to make decisions			
	Use of incidental amounts of flammable and combustible liquids and gases				
4.3.13					
Verify code compliance for incidental storage, handling and use of hazardous materials, given field observations.	Classification of hazardous materials	The ability to observe	IFSTA FICE, 8 th Ed. Chapters 9, 10	3% of questions	Skill Sheet #18
	Properties of hazardous materials	The ability to communicate	J&B FIPP, 1 st Ed.		
	Labeling of hazardous materials	The ability to apply codes and standards	Chapter 12		
	Transportation of hazardous materials	The ability to recognize problems			
	Storage of hazardous materials	The ability to make decisions	Fire Code, 2015		
	Handling of hazardous materials		Division B - Part 2		
	Use of hazardous materials				
4.3.14					
Recognize a hazardous fire growth potential in a building or space, given field observations.	Basic fire behavior	The ability to observe	IFSTA FICE, 8 th Ed. Chapters 3, 9	6% of questions	Skill Sheet #19
	Flame spread and smoke development ratings of contents	The ability to communicate	J&B FIPP, 1 st Ed.		
	Flame spread and smoke development ratings of interior finishes	The ability to apply codes and standards	Chapters 4, 5		
	Flame spread and smoke development ratings of	The ability to recognize hazardous conditions	Fire Code, 2015		





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	building construction elements		Division B - Part 2		
	Flame spread and smoke development ratings of decorations	The ability to make decisions			
	Flame spread and smoke development ratings of decorative materials				
	Flame spread and smoke development ratings of furnishings				
	Safe housekeeping practices				
4.3.15					
Determine code compliance, given the codes, standards, and policies of the jurisdiction and a fire protection issue.	Basic fire behavior	The ability to observe	IFSTA FICE, 8 th Ed. Chapter 9	3% of questions	Skill Sheet #19
	Flame spread and smoke development ratings of contents	The ability to communicate	J&B FIPP, 1 st Ed. Chapters 4, 5		
	Flame spread and smoke development ratings of interior finishes	The ability to apply codes and standards	ndards Fire Code, 2015		
	Flame spread and smoke development ratings of building construction elements	The ability to recognize hazardous conditions	Division B - Part 3		
	Flame spread and smoke development ratings of life safety systems	The ability to make decisions			
	Flame spread and smoke development ratings of decorations				
	Flame spread and smoke development ratings of decorative materials				
	Flame spread and smoke development ratings of furnishings				
	Safe housekeeping practices				
4.3.16					
Verify fire flows for a site, given fire flow test results and water supply data.	Types of water distribution systems	The ability to use pitot tubes	IFSTA FICE, 8 th Ed. Chapter 11	4% of questions	Skill Sheet #20
	Types of other water sources in the local community	The ability to use gauges			
	Water distribution system testing	The ability to use other data gathering devices	J&B FIPP, 1 st Ed.		
	Characteristics of public and private water supply systems	Calculate and graph fire flow results	Chapter 9		
	Flow testing procedures		Building Code, 2012		





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			Division B - Part 3		
4.4 Plans Review					
There are no plan review job performance requirements for Fire Inspector I					