

S-234, Ignition Operations

Dates of Training:

April 26-28, 2010

Course begins: noon April 26

Course ends: noon April 28

Location:

College Place Fire Department

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Nominations Due: March 22, 2010

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Course Description

This course introduces the roles and responsibilities of a firing boss (FIRB), common firing devices, and general firing operations and techniques. Although comprehensive in nature, the coursework is not a substitute for the dynamic fire environment. The course provides students with important information concerning general tasks required to be successful. Any opportunity to show students a small prescribed burn or demonstrate how devices operate in the field will promote transferring these new skills to the job. Due to the wide variety and capabilities of sponsors presenting this course, the field exercise portion of the class is not defined. Therefore, the cadre and sponsoring unit are responsible for planning field exercises and demonstrations in accordance with their capabilities.

Objectives

- Describe the roles and responsibilities of the FIRB for planning, execution, safety, and coordination of an ignition operation on a wildland or prescribed fire.
- Describe the specialized firing devices, their characteristics, applications, safety and transportation requirements, maintenance needs and availability.
- Prepare a briefing that contains desired fire behavior, firing techniques, necessary resources, and risk management to meet wildland or prescribed fire objectives; emphasize safety, coordination, communication, and evaluation.
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Target Group

- Personnel desiring to be qualified as firing boss (FIRB).

Course Prerequisites

- Intermediate Wildland Fire Behavior (S-290).