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| OFFICE OF APPRENTICESHIP  BULLETIN | **NO.**  2025-66 |
| **DATE**  April 08, 2025 |

**TO:** NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP SYSTEM STAKEHOLDERS

OFFICE OF APPRENTICESHIP STAFF

STATE APPRENTICESHIP AGENCIES

**FROM:** MEGAN BAIRD /s/

Acting Administrator, Office of Apprenticeship

**SUBJECT:** National Guidelines for Apprenticeship Standards for

International Association of Fire Fighters

1. **Purpose.** To inform the staff of OA and the State Apprenticeship Agencies (SAA), Registered Apprenticeship program sponsors and other Registered Apprenticeship partners of the approval of the new National Guidelines for Apprenticeship Standards for the International Association of Fire Fighters.
2. **Action Requested.** The OA staff should familiarize themselves with this bulletin. A copy of the National Guidelines for Apprenticeship Standards and the Work Process Schedule and Related Instruction Outlines are attached.
3. **Summary and Background.**
   1. Summary – These new National Guidelines for Apprenticeship Standards, were submitted by Chris Lake, Deputy Director of Fire & EMS Operations, on behalf of the International Association of Fire Fighters, were processed by Joseph L. Olivere and approved by the Acting OA Administrator on April 08, 2025.
   2. Background –

***NGS Background -*** National Guidelines for Apprenticeship Standards (NGS) are a template of high-quality apprenticeship program standards submitted by a labor union, trade or industry association, employer, workforce intermediary, education provider, or other organizations with national scope; these apprenticeship standards may be certified by OA in instances where they are (1) found suitable for adoption or adaptation by State or local affiliates of the submitting organization, and (2) fully satisfy the regulatory requirements set forth at 29 CFR Parts 29 and 30 and any sub-regulatory guidance issued thereunder. NGS that receive certification by OA may be registered subsequently on a local basis by the applicable Registration Agency (either by an OA State Office or by a State Apprenticeship Agency (SAA) within a particular State or jurisdiction where a program adopting the NGS standards is situated. A local affiliate or sponsoring employer that adopts a set of NGS standards may elect to implement those program standards without modification in registering the program on the State or local level, or it may customize the NGS standards to meet State-specific criteria.

1. **New Guideline Standards.** These new National Guidelines for Apprenticeship Standards are a model for developing local apprenticeship programs with OA or a SAA for the following occupations:

FIRE FIGHTER

O\*NET-SOC CODE: 33-2011.00

RAPIDS CODE: 0195

Type of Training: Time-Based

FIRE FIGHTER, DIVER

O\*NET-SOC CODE: 33-2011.00

RAPIDS CODE: 1092

Type of Training: Time-Based

FIRE FIGHTER PARAMEDIC

O\*NET-SOC CODE: 33-2011.00

RAPIDS CODE: 1091

Type of Training: Time-Based

WILDLAND FIRE FIGHTER SPECIALIST

O\*NET-SOC CODE: 33-2011.00

RAPIDS CODE: 0544

Type of Training: Time-Based

FIRE ENGINEER

O\*NET-SOC CODE: 33-2011.00

RAPIDS CODE: 0541

Type of Training: Time-Based

FIRE OFFICER (Existing Title: Fire Captain)

O\*NET-SOC CODE: 33-1021.00

RAPIDS CODE: 0576

Type of Training: Time-Based

HAZARDOUS MATERIAL TECHNICIAN

(Existing Title: Hazardous Waste Material Technician)

O\*NET-SOC CODE: 47-4099.99

RAPIDS CODE: 0591

Type of Training: Time-Based

PARAMEDIC

O\*NET-SOC CODE: 29-2043.00

RAPIDS CODE: 0543

Type of Training: Time-Based

1. **Inquiries.** If you have any questions, please contact Joseph L. Olivere, Apprenticeship and Training Representative, at 202-693-5179 or [olivere.joseph.l@dol.gov](mailto:olivere.joseph.l@dol.gov).
2. **Attachments.**

