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Rule 4765-24-09 Volunteer firefighter course.

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(A) A training course for a volunteer firefighter certification shall consist of not more than thirty-six hours of training:

(1) The course shall meet the volunteer firefighter course objectives approved by the executive director, with advice and counsel of the committee as provided in the "Volunteer Firefighter Course Packet."

(2) The volunteer firefighter course curriculum shall be approved by the division prior to delivery.

(B) A chartered fire training program shall maintain a volunteer firefighter course objectives competencies check-off document for each student, as approved by the program director.

(C) A chartered fire training program shall use the skills contained in the "Volunteer Firefighter Practical Skills Reference Guide" approved by the executive director with advice and counsel of the committee, when conducting practical skills testing for state certification.

(D) A chartered program shall admit only those individuals who meet the following requirements into a volunteer firefighter course:

(1) Is at least eighteen years of age, except that a chartered program may admit a student who is seventeen years old into a post-secondary volunteer firefighter course provided that the student has graduated or is enrolled in the twelfth or final grade in a secondary school program;

(2) Meets all admission requirements established by the chartered program.

(E) Volunteer firefighter course instructors shall be appointed by the program director in accordance with the following:

(1) Each instructor shall hold a current and valid firefighter certificate in accordance with Chapter 4765-20 of the Administrative Code;

(2) Each instructor shall hold a current and valid certificate to teach in accordance with Chapter 4765-21 of the Administrative Code.

(F) A chartered program shall not allow students enrolled in a volunteer firefighter training course to participate in any training involving immediately dangerous to life and health (IDLH) environments to include any live fire training.