

**HAZARDOUS MATERIALS AWARENESS APPLICATION
PENNSYLVANIA VOLUNTARY FIRE SERVICE CERTIFICATION PROGRAM
NFPA 472 – 2008 Edition**



SECTION I

Last Name	First Name	M.I.	SSN (last four digits required)		
Street Address	City	State	Zip Code	County	
Date of Birth	Home Phone	Work Phone	Test Date Requested		
Affiliation (Fire Department/Organization)			Candidate Email		
Street Address	City	State	Zip		

Section I (A): Please Read and Check One: A candidate should meet the requirements of NFPA 1582, Standard on Medical Requirements for Firefighters and information for Fire Department Physicians prior to physical testing to ensure his/her ability to safely perform the required tasks.

- I have read (or have had explained to me) and understand the job performance requirements for the Hazardous Materials Awareness certification test. I have no conditions which would preclude me from safely or effectively performing all the functions (practical skills and written test) and tasks for the level for which I am seeking national certification.
- I have read and/or have been explained and understand the job performance requirements for the Hazardous Materials Awareness Certification test. I will be submitting a request for accommodation for the written National Certification exam. I understand that I **MUST** contact the Certification Program Manager no later than two weeks prior to the scheduled certification exam.

If you are not participating as a member of an emergency service organization, are you protected by an insurance carrier providing hospitalization and/or Workmen's Compensation in cause of injury? YES___ NO___

If YES, you will be required to show proof of insurance coverage with this application. If NO, you will be required to sign a release Waiver prior to taking any portion of the Certification exam.

By signing and dating of this document I certify that the information contained in this application and any attachments is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and submitted as true and correct in accordance with the OSFC/PSFA certification testing policy and in accordance with Pennsylvania Crimes Code 18 Pa C.S. 4904, relating to unsworn falsifications to authorities.

Signature of Applicant	Date
NOTE: All required signatures on this application MUST be in blue or black ink.	

Test Site Official Use Only: Test Site:_____ Test Site Number:_____
Date Application Received at Test Site_____ Date Application Approved:_____
Candidate Number:_____ Written Exam Results ___ PASS ___ FAIL Skills Exam Results ___ PASS ___ FAIL

SECTION II

It is understood that the candidate registered on this form has done so with the full knowledge, consent and approval of the named organization on page one of this application; and is protected by an insurance carrier or the organization. Furthermore, I attest that the candidate meet the requirements as noted in **Section I (A)** of this application. Participation approved by:

Signature of Chief Officer

Date

Chief Officer's Name (Print or Type)

Officer's Title

SECTION III

Act 168 of 2006 amended Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, Section 2, subsection (h) (1) Arson and related offenses reads:

“A person convicted of violating this section or any similar offense under Federal or State law shall be prohibited from serving as a firefighter in this Commonwealth and shall be prohibited from being certified as a firefighter under Section 4 of the Act of November 13, 1995 (P.L. 604, No.61), known as the State Fire Commissioner Act.”

All individuals making application for certification testing must provide documentation of a background check. Proof of a non-conviction **MUST** consist of *either* of the following:

1. An official criminal history record check obtained pursuant to Chapter 91 (relating to criminal history record information) indicating no arson convictions.

OR

2. By dating and signing of the following statement by the person swearing to the following:

“I have never been convicted of an offense that constitutes the crime of “arson and related offenses” under 18 Pa.C.S 3301 or any similar offense under any Federal or State law.

I herby certify that the statements contained herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that if I knowingly make any false statement herein, I am subject to penalties prescribed by law, including, but not limited to, a fine of at least \$1,000.00”

Signature of Certification Candidate

Name of Certification Candidate (please print or type)

Date

SECTION III

REQUIREMENT: NFPA 472 – 2008 edition section 4.1 General:

Candidates **MUST** be trained as a minimum requirement at the First Responder Awareness Level or higher in accordance with NFPA 472 "Standard for Professional Competency of Responders to Hazardous Materials/Weapons of Mass Destruction Incidents", Chapter 4.

Attach a copy of one of the following recognized certificates.

- _____ Hazardous Materials Awareness Level **OR**
- _____ Hazardous Materials Awareness Level Annual Refresher **OR**
- _____ Hazardous Materials Operations Level **OR**
- _____ Hazardous Materials Operations Level Annual Refresher **OR**
- _____ Hazardous Materials Technician Level **OR**
- _____ Hazardous Materials Technician Level Annual Refresher

NOTE: The certificate (training, refresher training or certification) must be current, within one (1) year of the firefighter certification test date and must meet the requirements of NFPA 472 2008 edition).

Hazardous Materials Awareness

Pre-Requisite Verification Form

Candidate Name: _____

My signature below indicates that I have read and understood the requirements of this program, Hazardous Materials Awareness, and furthermore I meet the pre-requisites established by the Standard or the Authority Having Jurisdiction.

_____ I am 14 years of age or older

Age Rule Exception – Hazardous Materials Application: Hazardous Materials Awareness (HazMat Awareness) – Anyone age 14 and older may certify at the HazMat Awareness Level.

The Child Labor Law Division of the Department of Labor & Industry issued the following decision: juniors 14 to 17 years of age are permitted in training and certification at the Hazardous Materials Awareness level; juniors 16 to 17 years of age are permitted to participate in training and certification at the Hazardous Materials Operations level provided **no** Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health (IDLH) atmosphere exist as part of the course or certification testing. *Likewise, this does not permit Junior Firefighters the ability to participate in emergency response to hazardous materials incidents or where the potential for an IDLH atmosphere might exist.*

_____ I have attached a copy of an approved Hazardous Materials Awareness Course

Testing Assistance

_____ I am physically capable of completing the practical skill exercises.

_____ I am able to read and comprehend the written test and related materials.

_____ I will be submitting a request for accommodation for the National Certification exam. I understand that I **MUST** contact the Certification Program Manager no later than two weeks prior to the certification exam.

_____ I will not be submitting a request for accommodation for National Certification exam.

Signature

Date