



Safety Officer

PURPOSE

Designated Safety Officers and related duties.

BACKGROUND

A Safety Officer is necessary to ensure all proper safety procedures are carried out.

POLICY

- 2.1.1 **Drill ground safety.** Safety on the drill ground is everyone's responsibility. Any person can call a stop to an unsafe act or condition.
- 2.1.2 **Routine training.** For routine training the Chief or Company Officer managing the event will be considered the Safety Officer unless otherwise assigned.
- 2.1.3 **Designated Safety Officer.** A Designated Safety Officer should be assigned in all cases where it is an OSHA, NFPA, or NIOSH requirement.
- 2.1.4 **Qualifications.** For most circumstances it is preferred the Safety Officer be the rank of Captain or higher. During a specialized drill (I.E. Hazmat) the best most qualified person may be the designated Safety Officer regardless of rank.
- 2.1.4 **Agency of Origin.** It is preferred that a designated Safety Officer be employed by one of the JPA participating agencies.
- 2.1.5 **Outside agencies.** Depending on the operations involved, an outside agency renting the facility may be required to hire a Safety Officer from a JPA Participating agency.
- 2.1.6 **IIPP.** All personnel shall be familiar with and follow the safety guidelines as defined in the HFTA IIPP.



HFTA PPE Use

PURPOSE

To state the Heartland Training Facility Policy on the use of protective clothing use at H.T.F.

BACKGROUND

Protective clothing is to be worn in certain activities. This is to help ensure that all possible safety conditions have been considered.

POLICY

- 2.2.1 **Minimum clothing.** All personnel using Heartland Training Facility shall be fully clothed while training. This includes shirts, long-legged pants, and full close toed boots or shoes.
- 2.2.2 **Full Structure PPE.** Structural Protective clothing shall include Structure Helmet with eye protection, Hood, Turnout Coat, Turnout Pants, Boots and Structure Gloves as the minimum items.
- 2.2.3 **Live Fire Training.** Full protective clothing and breathing apparatus shall be worn by all members entering an IDLH Atmosphere that includes Live Fire Training.
- 2.2.4 **Breathing Apparatus.** Breathing appliances shall be worn whenever drills in the environmental building involve burning or when personnel may be subjected to artificial or natural smoke.
- 2.2.5 **Minimum PPE.** The minimum PPE on the drill ground shall consist of a helmet and gloves. It is preferred that a Brush shirt also be worn when possible.
- 2.2.6 **Test Pit.** Helmets and Gloves shall be worn when performing test pit evolutions, and shall include any personnel assisting in the test pit area. Hearing protection shall be worn on all high noise periods.



Live Fire Training

PURPOSE

To establish the standards and safety requirements for conducting Live Fire Training at the training facility.

BACKGROUND

POLICY

- 2.3.1 **NFPA 1403.** In an effort to safely conduct live-fire training operations located at the Heartland Training Facility (HTF), all personnel supervising, providing, or engaged in live-fire training at HTF shall utilize and adhere to the most current National Fire Protection Association Standard 1403- *Standard on Live Fire Training Evolutions*:
- 2.3.2 **Related Chapters.** The Heartland Fire Training Authority Board of Chiefs have formally Adopted NFPA standard 1403 effective January 1, 2014. The chapters bulleted below relate directly to the environmental burn building:
- A. Chapter 3-*Definitions*
 - B. Chapter 4-*General*
 - C. Chapter 7-Non-Gas-Fired Live Fire Training Structures
 - D. Chapter 9-*Reports and Records, Section 9.1.1*
- 2.3.3. **Amendments.** Amendments to the adoption include:
- A. **Section 4.12.3.1 is amended and adding section 4.12.3.1.1 to read as follows:**
No combustible liquid shall be used when conducting live fire training at HTF.
 - B. **Section 4.12.6 is amended and adding section 4.12.6.1 to read as follows:** Fuel loading at HTF shall consist of an average of two (2) wood pallets, not to exceed three (3) wood pallets, and ½ bale of straw at any given time. Furniture, cushions and other furnishings are not to be utilized when burning at HTF.
- 2.3.4 **IAP.** At least three business days prior to conducting live-fire training in the Environmental Burn Building at HTF, the Instructor in Charge shall complete and submit the Live Fire Training Incident Action Plan (IAP) to the HTF training manager.



- 2.3.5 **Agency Approval.** If live-fire training is being conducted by a member or contract agency, the appropriate Chief Officer from the member or contract agency shall have reviewed, approved and signed the Live Fire Training IAP.