



## Program Updates: Firefighter & Driver/Operator Series

The recent release of NFPA 1010 combined the previous NFPA 1001 (Firefighter) and NFPA 1002 (Driver/Operator) standards. In response to that release, the South Carolina Fire Academy will begin curriculum and certification updates for the following seven courses:

- Firefighter 1
- Firefighter 2
- Auto Extrication (standalone course-no accredited test)
- Emergency Vehicle Driver Training
- Driver/Operator – Pumper (formerly Pump Operations 1)
- Driver/Operator – Mobile Water Supply (formerly Pump Operations 2)
- Driver/Operator – Aerial (formerly Aerial Operations)

### Firefighter I & II and Auto Extrication

#### Effective August 1, 2025

- Courses will align with NFPA 1010 (2024 Edition).
- Curriculum will be updated from Essentials 7 to Essentials 8.
- The current Essentials 7 curriculum will be retired.
- Firefighter I and II will now use separate textbooks.
- Auto Extrication will be updated to the 1010 standard.
- The Modular Series (1101, 1102, 1103) will be updated to the 1010 standard.

### Driver/Operator Series

#### Effective September 1, 2025

- All four Driver/Operator courses will now include an accredited-level written exam and skills evaluation. Students will receive an accredited-level certificate upon successful completion.
  - Emergency Vehicle Driver Training
  - Driver/Operator – Pumper
  - Driver/Operator – Mobile Water Supply
  - Driver/Operator – Aerial
- Students who completed these Driver/Operator courses prior to September 1, 2025, will be eligible to challenge the new accredited-level exam until February 1, 2027.

More information, including course updates and registration details, will be coming soon.

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