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## **TRAINING BULLETIN**

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**To: All Personnel**

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**Subject: State Apparatus Operator Certification**

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Earlier this year a memo was issued explaining the new requirement to have the State Apparatus Operator Certification in order to sign up for the next Drivers Promotional Exam.

It has been brought to our attention that after January 1, 2010, the State Fire Commission will be implementing changes that could affect those who wish to obtain this certification.

Fire Training is urging all interested employees who have both an engine and truck qualification obtained after September 1, 2001, to sign up for the remaining two State Testing dates this year. One will be given in October and the other in December. The test will be a one hundred fifty (150) question multiple choice test. Currently your qualification will count as your practical exam.

The study materials for the test are the *IFSTA Pumping Apparatus Driver/Operator Handbook* and the *IFSTA Aerial Apparatus Driver/Operators Handbook* both are 1<sup>st</sup> Edition. The NFPA standards are covered in the front of each chapter.

Those employees who choose to wait until after the first of the year may have to meet more stringent standards to obtain the Apparatus Operator Certification required.