National Emergency Training Center
U.S. Department of Homeland Security
16825 S. Seton Avenue
Emmitsburg, MD 21727-8998



November 8, 2010

MEMORANDUM FOR: State Training Directors / TRADE Membership

FROM: Kirby E. Kiefer, Ed.D.

Acting Superintendent, National Fire Academy

SUBJECT: Off-Campus 6- and 10-Day NFA Sponsored Courses

Over the years, we have dealt with concerns from State Training Directors and other hosts of off-campus 6 and 10 day National Fire Academy (NFA) Sponsored Courses. The problems arose when Applications reached our Admissions Office, and the applicants were determined to have less than the minimum requirements to attend the course. Generally, the disagreements could be resolved after another exchange of information.

Our issue was that students who may not have prerequisite experience or training for a course may not be able to contribute to the discussions and exercises that are so central to our course designs, and thereby may detract from the course experience for everyone. State contacts countered with the observation that they knew the local audience and students best.

As a pilot test, we want to ask our State partners to accept the responsibility for determining if applicants meet the student selection criteria to attend a course. To that end, when a State selects a course for delivery, we will provide the published Student Selection Criteria for the course. In addition, we will provide the State with the "pink sheet" of clarifications and details to which our Admissions Office staff must refer (as they are not fire service subject matter experts) when determining whether the criteria are met. After determining which applicants meet the selection criteria, the State will forward the successful applications to the NFA Admissions Office at least 40 days prior to the course start date (which will allow time for the Admissions Office to prepare and provide a course roster and for Procurement to issue purchase orders to contract instructors). Certificates will continue to be mailed to the course site while the course is being held.

As with our other off-campus courses, we will require that there be at least 20 registrants 40 days before the scheduled class date. You may continue to recruit (up to the published class maximum enrollment) until the class date.

The plan is outlined in the attached announcement. If you would prefer to opt out of this project, at your request, our Admissions Office will continue to screen applications and send you rosters of students who meet the requirements.

The "new" application forms (the old "75-5" and "75-5a" forms are now obsolete) are attached.

Also attached is a blank cover sheet which we ask you to attach when you submit applications (with a roster) to the Admissions Office. Please make sure that you insert the correct Course Code on the cover sheet; confirming by writing out the course title will make certain that the Admissions Office issues accurate certificates. The Admissions staff also ask that you make sure that both the class start and end dates are listed.

STUDENT APPLICATIONS National Fire Academy-Sponsored Off-campus 6- and 10-day Courses

Effective immediately, the National Fire Academy will rely on the respective State Fire Training System administrators to review and approve applications for National Fire Academy-sponsored Off-campus 6- and 10-day courses.

Students within the regions should submit their applications directly to the State Fire Training System that is hosting the course, and advertisements and announcements should list the host State address for return of the Applications.

Student Application Forms

If Course is:	Use
	FEMA Form 119-25-1, General Admissions Application
Six or Ten Days	(formerly FEMA Form 75-5)
Two Days	FEMA Form 119-25-2, General Admissions Short Form
	Application (formerly FEMA Form 75-5A)

So that exercises and group activities can be conducted, State partners should assure that any class has at least twenty registrants. State sponsors should provide the completed applications to the NETC Admissions Office Forty Days prior to the course start date. Packets of Applications can be sent to:

Admissions Office
National Emergency Training Center
16825 S. Seton Avenue
Emmitsburg, Maryland 21727
Fax: 301.447.1441

The NETC staff will enter the applications into the NFA student admissions database and send acceptance letters to the students.

Advertisements should list the host State address for return of the Applications. If a student sends an application to the NFA Admissions Office separately, the application will be returned to the student with a note saying that they must apply through their State Fire Training office.

Upon receipt of the applications from the host State agency, the NFA Admissions Office will enter all student information into the NFA admissions database. The Training Specialist and the Program Manager for the 10/6 day off campus offerings will receive notification from the NETC Admissions Office with a student count.

The NETC Admissions Office will:

- Provide pre-printed stipend forms for each student and a course roster to our logistics delivery contractor one week prior to the course start date.
- Receive the corrected roster from the State on the first day of the course.
- Admissions will make any corrections notated on the roster in the admissions database.
- Provide a final roster and course certificates to our logistics delivery contractor by Tuesday/Wednesday of the course. Our logistics delivery contractor sends the materials(certs and updated roster) "overnight" mail to the course location.
- Accept stipend reimbursement forms as collected by the instructor or State host for each student eligible for stipend reimbursement. They should be submitted in a single package.

If you have questions, please contact Admissions Specialist Jo Ann Boyd at 301.447.1415.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY
GENERAL ADMISSIONS APPLICATION

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21a. I certify that the information recorded on this application is correct. Falsificati	ion of information will result in denial of a course certificate and stipend (18 U.S.C. 1001).
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21c. Further, I understand that the National Emergency Training Center (NETC), (NTF) are not authorized to provide medical or health insurance for students. I ma	the Mt. Weather Emergency Operations Center (MWEOC), and the Noble Training Facility aintain appropriate insurance on an individual basis.
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23a. SIGNATURE AND DATE (State Office)	23b. SIGNATURE AND DATE (FEMA Regional Office)
24a. FOR NFA REGIONAL DELIVERY COURSES AND COURSES DELIVERED AT EMMITSBURG, MD. SUBMIT APPLICATION TO: NATIONAL EMERGENCY TRAINING CENTER	24b. FOR EMI AND FEMA-WIDE COURSES DELIVERED AT NETC, MWEOC, OR NTF SUBMIT APPLICATION THROUGH THE APPROPRIATE STATE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR OR FEMA REGIONAL TRAINING MANAGER TO NETC.
OFFICE OF ADMISSIONS, BLDG. I-216 16825 SOUTH SETON AVENUE EMMITSBURG, MD. 21727	24c. FOR FIELD PROGRAM COURSES, SUBMIT APPLICATION TO APPROPRIATE SPONSOR.
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EQUAL OPPOR	RTUNITY STATEMENT

NFA and EMI are Equal Opportunity institutions. They do not discriminate on the basis of age, sex, race, color, religious belief, national origin, or disability in their admissions and student-related procedures. Both schools make every effort to ensure equitable representation of minorities and women in their student bodies. Qualified minority and women candidates are encouraged to apply for all courses.

PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

GENERAL - This information is provided pursuant to Public Law 93-579 (Privacy Act of 1974), Title 5 United States Code (U.S.C.) Section 552a, for individuals applying for admission to NFA, EMI or any FEMA Agency-wide training.

AUTHORITY - Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974, as amended, Title 15 U.S.C., Sections 2201 et. seq.; Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, as amended, Title 42 U.S.C., Sections 5121 et. seq.; Title 44 U.S.C., Section 3101; Executive Orders 12127, 12148, and 9397; Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

<u>PURPOSES</u> - To determine eligibility for participation in NFA, EMI and any FEMA Agency-wide training courses. Information such as age, sex, and ancestral heritage are used for statistical purposes only.

<u>USES</u> - Information may be released to: 1) FEMA staff to analyze application and enrollment patterns for specific courses, and to respond to student inquiries; 2) a physician to provide medical assistance to students who become ill or are injured during courses; 3) Members of the Board of Visitors for the purpose of evaluating programmatic statistics; 4) sponsoring States, local officials, or State agencies to update/evaluate statistics of NFA and EMI and FEMA-wide participants; 5) Members of Congress seeking first party information; and 6) Agency training program contractors and computer centers performing administrative functions.

EFFECTS OF NONDISCLOSURE - Personal information is provided on a volunteer basis. Failure to provide information on this form, however, may result in a delay in processing your application and/or certifying completion of the course.

INFORMATION REGARDING DISCLOSURE OF YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER UNDER PL 93-579, SECTION 7(b) • E.O. 9397 authorizes the collection of the SSN. The SSN is necessary because of the large number of individuals who have identical names and birthdates and whose identities can only be distinguished by the SSN. The SSN is used for recordkeeping purposes, i.e., to ensure that your academic record is maintained accurately. Disclosure of the SSN is voluntary. However, if you do not provide your SSN, another number will be substituted, which will delay processing your application or course certificate.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY GENERAL ADMISSIONS APPLICATION SHORT FORM

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NFA and State Partnership Courses Use only one form for each class & mail with completed applications for that class to:

NETC Admissions Office Building I, Room 216 16825 South Seton Ave. Emmitsburg, MD 21727

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