

Joplin Fire Explorer Post #0618

Training and Advancement Skill Requirements

The Explorer training is patterned from the standards and requirement found in the 4th edition of the IFSTA Essentials manual. Active participation is required. (50% of all meetings during a 3 month period)

Probationary Level

Probationary Explorers must attend 50% of all meetings in a 60day probationary period. Upon completion of the probationary period the Explorer will advance to Rookie(Explorer I).

Rookie Level (Explorer I)

All new explorers will start at the Rookie level after completion of the probationary level. This level serves as an introduction to the fire service.

Intermediate Level (Explorer II)

Rookie Explorers (Explorer I) with 6 months of active participation in Post #0618 may test for the Intermediate Level. To advance to the intermediate level, the explorer must successfully pass the Intermediate Level exam and practical test with a score of at least 70%. Advancement exams are pass/fail. Required training:

PPE

1. Care, assembly and knowledge of the components of turnout gear
2. Donning and Doffing of turnout gear in less than 45 seconds.
3. Daily SCBA functional check and knowledge of SCBA components.
4. Donning and Doffing of SCBA in less than 60 seconds

Fire Streams and Hose Rolls

1. Fog and Smooth Bore streams
2. Straight and Donut hose rolls

Ropes and Knots

1. Uses of ropes in the fire service.
2. Clove Hitch, Bowline, Figure 8

Ladders

1. Parts of a ladder and applications and types of ladders
2. Set and climb a roof ladder

Advanced Level (Explorer III)

Intermediate Explorers with 60 hours of ride time and with 6 months of active participation in Post #0618 may test for the Advanced Level. To advance to the Advanced Level, the explorer must successfully pass the Advanced Level exam and practical test with a score of at least 70%. Advancement exams are pass/fail. Required training:

PPE

1. Donning and Doffing of turnout gear in less than 30 seconds.
2. Donning and Doffing of SCBA and turnout gear in less than 90 seconds

Search and Rescue

1. Knowledge of different firefighter carries.
2. Blackout search

Incident Command

1. ICS structure
2. Span of control

Forcible Entry

1. Tools and techniques

Salvage and Overhaul

1. Tools and techniques

Vehicle Extrication

1. Tools and techniques