

ALABAMA FIRE COLLEGE FIRE APPARATUS OPERATOR: AIRPORT RESCUE AND FIRE FIGHTING (FAO: ARFF) SYLLABUS FSC 277 16 CLOCK HOURS

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Prerequisite(s)	 Valid Driver's License (Pro Board or IFSAC) Certified Fire Fighter II (Pro Board or IFSAC) Certified Airport Fire Fighter Successful completion of Emergency Vehicle Driver course or previous FAO certification
Course Description	This course is based on NFPA 1002: Standard on Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator Professional Qualifications. The course is designed for fire apparatus drivers who will be operating a fire department emergency vehicle intended to carry rescue and firefighting equipment used for rescuing occupants and combating fires in aircraft at, or in the vicinity of, an airport.
Student Learning Objectives	 Conduct routine tests, inspections, and servicing functions. Operate an ARFF vehicle. Back a fire department vehicle. Maneuver a vehicle around obstructions. Utilize defensive driving techniques. Maneuver and position an ARFF vehicle. Produce a fire stream while the vehicle is in both forward and reverse power modulation.
Required textbook and Course Materials	 Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting, IFSTA, 6th Edition Other Equipment NFPA Compliant Turn-Out Gear (Minimum to participate) NFPA-Compliant Helmet Boots with safety toe Hand protection
Reading Prior to Arrival	Textbook material suggested
Daily Activities and Class Participation	This course will involve discussion, questions and answers on the materials, and case studies. Class participation is expected from all students.
Basis	Alabama Fire College and Personnel Standards Commission, Administrative Code, Chapter 360-X-704: Requirements for Certified Apparatus Operator: Aircraft and Fire Fighting
Certification Requirements	To be issued certification, the candidate will: • provide documentation of prerequisites. • complete required training hours including skills training. • successfully complete cognitive written exam. • successfully complete practical exam.
Grade Assessment	 Written Examination: Perform to a minimum 70% competency on the examination, calculated at 50% of the final score for the course. (One retest is allowed after 30 days but within one year of course end date.) Practical Examination (if applicable): Successfully complete a skills/project evaluation to a minimum of 70% competency and successful completion of all critical points. Evaluators will test at least 25% of the skills for each level of skill sheets. Skill sheets will be randomly selected by AFC Certification Unit for this practical examination. The Practical Examination portion is calculated at 50% of the final score. (One retest is allowed after 30 days but within one year of course end date.) Example: Written examination - 70/100 possible points 70 x 50% = 35 points awarded for written exam portion Practical/project - 40/100 possible points

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	40 x 50% = 20 points awarded for practical portion
	Total Points = 55 points (student awarded F, score not 70%>)
Accreditation	Alabama Fire College and Personnel Standards Commission maintains accreditation with Pro Board and IFSAC. Each student will automatically receive national registration and certification upon successful completion of all requirements for certification.
Contact Information	Link: Alabama Fire College Website 1-800-241-2467 Link: Alabama Fire College Bookstore Website 1-866-984-3545
Academic Misconduct	Academic misconduct or dishonesty, such as cheating and plagiarism, is not permitted in class. Suspected cases of academic misconduct will be reported to the Executive Director. Conduct detrimental to the fire service, on or off campus, will not be tolerated. AFC will investigate any complaints. If a complaint is valid, the student will be dismissed and his/her agency will be notified.
Attendance Policy	Attendance will be recorded at every class or lab meeting at the beginning of class and after long breaks for required hours. For a week-long certification course, students are required to attend all sessions to obtain certification. For VA students, it is especially important because they will receive benefits only for those days in attendance. Special Policy: Fire Fighter I/II: Students are expected to attend all classes. Failure to appear in class for a scheduled activity will be considered an absence unless prior permission is received from the instructor. For any absence to be excused and makeup work allowed, it must be accompanied by a written description of extenuating circumstances. No-Show: Students who have registered for a fee-waived or stipend course and fail to withdraw, according to Alabama Fire College withdrawal policy, will not be allowed to register for another fee-waived or stipend course for a period of one year. Department Delivery: In order to qualify for department delivery courses, students must be an Alabama resident or a member of an Alabama fire department.
Tardiness	Students must adhere to class schedules. Students are required to be punctual for all classes and class activities. Classes will begin promptly at the scheduled time unless specific instructions are given otherwise.
Safety	Safety of the students is the top priority for Alabama Fire College. Students must adhere to safety regulations while attending a class at the Fire College. Safety instructions are posted in every classroom, as well as escape routes and tornado actions.
Quality Enhancement Plan	An evaluation form will be provided for each student at the end of the course. Students may use this evaluation form as a means of communicating their opinion of the overall course, course content, instructor, and facilities.
Course Schedule	Suggested Course Schedule Day 1- Chapter 2: Airport Familiarization; Chapter 8: Apparatus; Chapter 10: Driver Operator Day 2 – Skills Training; JPR Skills Testing; Survey; Certification Exam The schedule is subject to change.

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