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Dedicated to the courageous firefighters and emergency responders who have given of themselves the greatest sacrifice, their lives. On September 11, 2001, the fire and emergency service community changed forever, and as we continue on we are left with the scar of this day and the tears of many loved ones left behind. We share in the heartache of the loss of every single firefighter and emergency responder on that day and others. Let their lives shine on in the dedication and bravery of those left to respond when the tones drop, the bells ring, and the sirens blare.

This text is also dedicated to the driving force behind the continuation of firefighter heritage, the sharing of wisdom and experience, and the art of discovery and learning—trainers and educators. Every single classroom session, practical scenario, and review session directly affects the quality of response the fire service provides. Never underestimate the power of positive change the training and education community holds.

In honor and support of all Fire Service Educators, we are privileged to announce that Delmar Learning, a Thomson company, will donate a portion of the proceeds to the National Fire Academy Alumni Association (NFAAA) for every copy of *The Firefighter's Handbook* we sell. The NFAAA was selected as the sole recipient of this contribution because of the similarities of our missions and our belief that NFAAA makes a positive difference in the education, safety, and welfare of firefighters.

And to every firefighter who has touched the life of someone in need and made a positive difference—you are truly the epitome of human compassion and selflessness. Don't ever stop caring.





FOREWORD



So much has changed in our country and our world since the first edition of *The Firefighter's Handbook* was published back in 2000. Of course the tragic events of September 11, 2001, have caused many changes in the lives of America's firefighters and how we do business. Sure, we used to talk about terrorism—but not with the urgency and realism that permeates today's discussions. The study of weapons of mass destruction (WMD)

was an emerging specialty and today is mandatory reading for every firefighter. The changes are not limited to terrorism and WMD but have spilled over into rapid intervention team tactics, firefighter survival, and the value and hazards of live fire training.

However, some things have not changed. The value and importance of preparedness and training for every possible scenario has not changed. The principle of treating and serving the people who rely on us with respect and dignity has not changed. The idea that firefighters are held to a higher standard of service and duty has not changed. Even in the face of widespread changes in the world and in firefighting, there are some key principles that stay the same. These principles make firefighting a proud and honorable tradition and tie firefighters to the communities they serve.

This second edition of *The Firefighter's Handbook* is a reflection of the new world that today's firefighters live in. We have updated and revised many chapters and sections relating to the new threat of terrorism and the part that the fire service plays in handling this heightened threat. Other areas of study have also been improved and expanded such as self-contained breathing apparatus, firefighter safety, rescue procedures, and firefighter survival. All of the areas that we all deal with on a much more frequent basis than terrorism have received the same attention and have been noticeably improved. All of this has been done to keep you, the first line of defense, as technically prepared and tactically ready as possible. It has become apparent that every firefighter in every city and town in America must be able to respond quickly and effectively to any and every emergency that arises there. Every effort has been made to create a new and updated handbook that can be used as a reference for chief and company officers, training manual for company officers and firefighters, and textbook for candidates preparing to enter the most difficult and rewarding profession, firefighting.

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The expertise, dedication, and passion of our contributing authors have created a text that determines a standard of excellence in the education of our nation's firefighters.

To continue in this standard of excellence for the second edition of *The Firefighter's Handbook: Essentials of Firefighting and Emergency Response*, our authors have dedicated their time to ensure that the book remains current to the 2002 edition of *NPFA Standard 1001*, as well as the changing landscape of the fire service world. Thanks to our revising authors Andrea Walter, David Dodson, Dennis Childress, Chris Hawley, and Marty Rutledge, as well as to the outstanding authors who provided the foundation of this textbook: Ron Coleman, Thomas J. Wutz, Willis T. Carter, Frank J. Miale, T. R. (Ric) Koonce III, Robert F. Hancock, Robert Morris, Geoff Miller, and Donald C. Tully.

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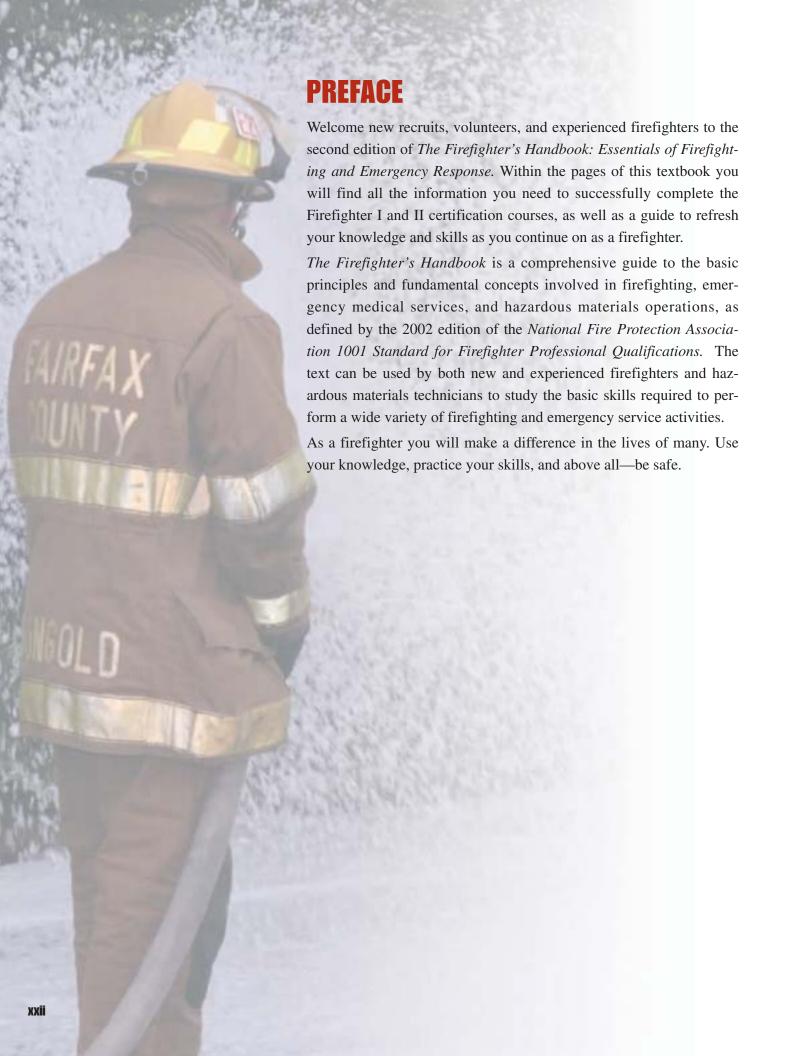


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Development of This Text

The Firefighter's Handbook was created to fill a void in the firefighting and emergency service education system. Through the dedication of our authors, content and technical reviewers, as well as our Fire Advisory Board members, the second edition of *The Firefighter's* Handbook continues to remain up to date with the changing landscape of the fire service world. This text is designed to meet and exceed the requirements set forth in the 2002 edition of NFPA Standard 1001, as well as the Hazardous Materials Awareness and Operations Level of the 2003 Edition of NFPA Standard 472, and presents the information in a realistic and challenging way. The content is written in a clear and concise manner, and step-by-step photo sequences illustrate the need-to-know Job Performance Requirements that are so critical to hands-on training. A special emphasis on safety and the development of critical thinking skills through featured text boxes ensures that both aspiring and experienced firefighters have the knowledge they need to effectively respond to fires and other emergencies.



Organization of This Text

The Firefighter's Handbook: Essentials of Firefighting and Emergency Response, Second Edition, consists of thirty chapters, including coverage of hazardous materials and terrorism. All the essential information—from the history of the fire service to the governing laws and regulations, from the use of apparatus and equipment to the practice of procedures, from understanding fire behavior and building construction to effective planning and prevention measures—is covered in this text. The chapters are set up to deliver a straightforward, systematic approach to training, and each includes an outline, objectives, introduction, lessons learned, key terms, review questions, and a list of additional resources. Also included at the front of the book is an NFPA 1001/472 Correlation Guide and Job Performance Requirement Guide that correlates the requirements outlined in the Standard to the content of The Firefighter's Handbook by chapter and page references. These resources can be used as a quick reference and study guide.

The Firefighter's Handbook: Basic Essentials of Firefighting

New for the release of the 2002 edition of the NFPA Standard 1001 is the addition of The Firefighter's Handbook: Basic Essentials of Firefighting to the fire science list from Delmar Learning. This book retains all the features of the original text, but excludes the coverage of hazardous materials. This is an excellent choice for fire departments, academies, and schools in which hazardous materials are taught in a separate course with separate learning materials.

The Basic Essentials of Firefighting textbook meets the requirements of the NFPA Standard 1001 when taught in conjunction with a hazardous materials course that meets the requirements of NFPA Standard 472, Awareness and Operations levels.

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New to This Edition

The Firefighter's Handbook: Essentials of Firefighting and Emergency Response, Second Edition, contains many new updates and additional information to address the needs of the fire service today:

- *Safety:* Safety—when responding to incidents in apparatus, and while performing scene assessment on vehicle accidents—is thoroughly covered. New sections on unique fire events and "reading smoke" encourage firefighters to apply an understanding of basic fire behavior when responding to structural fires. In addition, expanded content on the two in/two out rule educates firefighters on how to rescue their own in emergencies.
- Current Technology: This text offers information on the latest technology, including information on up-to-date communication systems and a new section on thermal imaging cameras.
- Building Construction: Chapter 13 was completely revised to address new building structures and additional considerations in structural collapse. Also included is a special section dedicated to the expert in the field, Francis L. Brannigan.
- Ladders: Chapter 14 was thoroughly revised to reflect a variety of procedures utilizing ladders in rescue situations.
- Hazardous Materials and Terrorism: In light of the events of September 11, 2001, and the worldwide terrorist attacks that followed, Chapters 24–30 have been thoroughly revised to reflect the latest threats to our nation. Expanded coverage of BLEVE and decontamination provides necessary information to firefighters responding to HAZMAT incidents. Valuable information related to terrorist activities, such as how to determine if a threat is credible, new coverage on hazardous material crimes, including a discussion on drug labs, as well as current statistics and events bring into focus the changing world of the fire service.
- New Photos: The inclusion of new photos brings the text up to date with the latest in apparatus, tools, equipment, and procedures in the fire service.
- New Feature Text Boxes: Additional text boxes and featured articles provide helpful tips, advice on safety, and important information for firefighters.





FEATURES

The Firefighter's Handbook contains a number of features that set it apart from other basic fire service texts. What is unique about this text is that it offers a realistic approach to the world of firefighting and emergency response. It is comprehensive in coverage, including all the need-to-know information, but presents the content in a clear and concise manner, so it is easy to read, follow, and understand. What is essential is not only acquiring the knowledge, but more importantly, putting it into practice. The Firefighter's Handbook emphasizes this fact through the use of step-by-step photo sequences and text descriptions to illustrate critical Job Performance Requirements. Firefighters throughout the nation also continue to contribute their stories to the book, bringing insight, advice, and experience to the text.

The Firefighter's Handbook continues to recognize that today's firefighters must respond to more than just fire emergencies. Firefighters are expected to effectively respond to medical emergencies as well as hazardous materials and terrorism incidents. In response, the textbook includes a chapter on emergency medical services, as well as seven chapters on all the latest information on hazardous materials and terrorist activities. Tips for safety that are vital to survival and critical to the success of the operation on the scene of an incident are integrated throughout the chapters.

In addition, *The Firefighter's Handbook* provides instructors with handy reference tools and supplemental materials that alleviate those heavy preparation commitments. A new emphasis on the modularized lesson plans in the Instructor's Curriculum Kit and Instructor's Curriculum CD-ROM for departments provides instructors with flexible lecture outlines that will meet individual department or academy schedules.

How to Use This Text

The following suggests how you can best utilize the features of this text to gain competence and confidence in learning firefighting essentials.

NFPA Standard 1001/472 Correlation Guide

This grid provides a correlation between *The Firefighter's Handbook* and the requirements for Firefighter I and II, as stipulated by the *NFPA Standard for Firefighter Professional Qualifications*, 2002 Edition, Chapters 5 and 6. These sections from the Standard are correlated to the textbook chapters and are referenced by page numbers.

Job Performance Requirement Correlation Guide

This grid provides an outline of the Job Performance Requirements stipulated by the NFPA Standard for Firefighter Professional Qualifications, 2002 Edition, Chapters 5 and 6, and the corresponding step-by-step photo sequences illustrated in The Firefighter's Handbook. Additional supplemental skills are also included to encourage practice of essential skills for on-the-job training. A quick reference for studying and reviewing important hands-on skills, this grid correlates the JPR to the textbook chapters and references the page numbers.

Job Performance Requirements

Step-by-step photo sequences illustrating important procedures are integrated throughout the chapters. These are intended to be used as a guide in mastering the job performance requirement skills and to serve as a review guide reference.

Street Stories

Each chapter opens with a personal experience written by noted contributors from across the nation. These personal accounts draw you into the minds of those who wrote them and help to reinforce to you why the subsequent chapter can make all the difference in the world.

Streetsmart Tips

As is true of any profession, sometimes experience can be the best teacher. These tips are power-packed with a wide variety of hints and strategies that will help you to become a streetsmart firefighter.

Firefighter Facts

These boxes offer a detailed snapshot of facts based on firefighting history, experience, and recorded data to provide thought-provoking information.

Notes

The Note feature highlights and outlines important points for you to learn and understand. Based on key concepts, this "must know" material is an excellent study resource.

Safeties and Cautions

As a firefighting professional, you will face situations in which you will need to react immediately in order to ensure your safety and the safety of those with you. These tips emphasize when and how to react safely.

Lessons Learned

The Lessons Learned feature summarizes the main points presented in the chapter and is ideal for review purposes.

Review Questions

At the end of every chapter, the review questions assist you with the learning process and help you develop the necessary critical thinking skills.



Supplemental Curriculum Package

The Firefighter's Handbook

This text was created not only as a stand-alone manual for firefighters, but as a special package of materials for the full instructional experience. The supplement package provides a variety of tools for students and instructors to enhance the learning experience.

Instructor's Curriculum Kit

The *Instructor's Curriculum Kit* is designed to allow instructors to run programs according to the standards set by the authority having jurisdiction where the course is conducted. It contains the information necessary to conduct Firefighter I, Firefighter II, hazardous materials awareness, and hazardous materials operations courses. It is divided into sections to facilitate its use for training:

Administration: Provides the instructor with an overview of the various courses, student and instructor materials, and practical advice on how to set up courses and run skill sessions.

Modularized Lesson Plans: Are ideal for instructors, whether they are teaching at fire departments, academies, or longer-format courses. Each section presents learning objectives, recommended time allotment, equipment and reading assignments for each lesson and outlines key concepts presented in each chapter of the text with coordinating PowerPoint slides, textbook readings, and Job Performance Requirement and Supplement Skill sheets.

Equipment Checklist: Offers a quick guide for ensuring the necessary equipment is available for hands-on training.

Job Performance Requirement and Supplemental Skills Sheets: Outline important skills that each candidate must master to meet requirements for certification and provide the instructor with a handy checklist. Also includes a Job Performance Requirement Correlation Guide, which cross-references the Standard with the Job Performance Requirements outlined in The Firefighter's Handbook. These guides can be used for quick reference when reviewing important skills and for studying for the Firefighter I and II certification exam.

Progress Log Sheets: Provide a system to track the progress of individual candidates as they complete the required skills.

Quick Reference Guides: Contain valuable information for instructors. Included are three grids: NFPA Standard 1001/472 Correlation Guide used to cross-reference The Firefighter's Handbook with standards 1001/472, New Edition Correlation Guide used to cross-reference the revisions between the first and second editions of The Firefighter's Handbook, and a Comparison Guide that correlates The Firefighter's Handbook, Second Edition, to the IFSTA/Essentials, Fourth Edition, text.

Answers to Review Questions: Included for each chapter in the text.

Additional Resources: Offer supplemental resources for important information on various topics presented in the textbook.

Also includes: Instructor's Curriculum CD-ROM

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Instructor's Curriculum CD-ROM

Available in the *Instructor's Curriculum Kit* and as a separate item, the *Instructor's Curriculum CD-ROM* ensures a complete, electronic teaching solution for *The Firefighter's Handbook: Essentials of Firefighting and Emergency Response, Second Edition.* Designed as an integrated package, it includes the following:

- *PowerPoint Presentations* outline key concepts from each chapter, and contain graphics and photos from the text, as well as video clips, to bring the content to life.
- A *Testbank* containing hundreds of questions helps instructors prepare candidates to take the written portion of the certification exam for Firefighter I and II.
- A searchable *Image Library* containing hundreds
 of graphics and photos from the text offers an
 additional resource for instructors to enhance their own classroom presentations or to modify the PowerPoint provided on
 the CD-ROM.
- Complete Curriculum available in Word to allow instructors to add their own notes or revise to meet the requirements of the Authority Having Jurisdiction.

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Student Workbook

This is helpful in the classroom setting as a guide for study and a tool for assessing progress. The workbook consists of questions in multiple formats, including new and revised questions to support the second edition of *The Firefighter's Handbook*.





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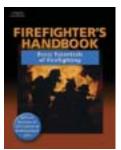
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Explosives Identification Guide/Pickett

This is a reference guide to explosives for emergency responders such as firefighters, police officers, and EMS staff as well as security personnel. Through color photographs and short descriptions, the student can identify explosives by general type and learn the appropriate way to treat each of them. Written in a general, nontechnical style, the book is a fast and easy guide for those with little or no knowledge of, or experience with, explosives.

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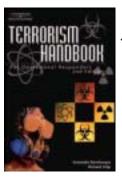
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Terrorism

Preparing for Terrorism: An Emergency Services Guide/Buck

This text helps the reader develop the skills for dealing with terrorism on many levels: preparing and planning for a terrorist attack, mitigating its effects, proper emergency response, and recovery from terrorism disasters. It is an essential guide to the planning and implementation of antiterrorist response and operations for the overall safety of the first responder.

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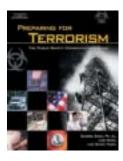


Terrorism Handbook for Operational Responders, 2nd ed./Bevelacqua and Stilp

This updated book is a guide into the most significant points that surround the emergency response processes needed to cope with terrorism incidents. It highlights new equipment and strategies that can enhance a responder's detection, monitoring, and protection capabili-

ties against chemical and biological agents. First responders are provided with the knowledge they need to prepare for and combat acts of terrorism.

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Preparing for Terrorism: The Public Safety Communicator's Guide/Buck, Buck, and Mogil

This book starts with an overview of national and international terrorism, while emphasis throughout the book is on how to prepare communications center staff and their families for a terrorist event by providing them with a well-thought-out

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Citizen's Guide to Terrorism Preparedness/Stilp and Bevelacqua

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Preparing for Biological Terrorism: An Emergency Services Guide/Buck

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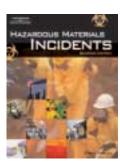
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HAZMAT



Hazardous Materials Incidents, 2nd ed./Hawley

Hazardous Materials Incidents is an invaluable procedural manual and all-inclusive information resource for emergency services professionals. Easy-to-read and perfect for use in HAZMAT awareness, operations, and technicianlevel training courses, this

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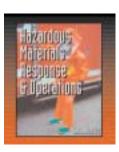
Hazardous Materials Air Monitoring and Detection Devices/Hawley

This book provides HAZMAT teams with a thorough guide to effective air monitoring in emergency response situations. Each type of air monitoring devices available for emergency services is described in detail, including operating guidelines and sampling strategies. A special section discusses the latest trend in HAZMAT detection and monitoring of hazardous agents used for terrorism.

Order #: 0-7668-0727-4

Hazardous Materials Response and Operations/Hawley

While presenting an in-depth look at the response to hazardous materials releases, this book covers each class of hazardous materials and provides recommenda-



tions and guidelines for the protection of responders and victims. The text focuses on a cutting-edge response profile called Risk-Based Response, known for its progressive and aggressive approach to dealing with chemical spills. Also included is a detailed discussion of response strategies to terrorism, preparing students to be leaders in

the newest area of the HAZMAT field.

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Hazardous Materials Chemistry/Bevelacqua

Hazardous Materials Chemistry covers the basic concepts of chemistry, emphasizing the decision-making process so that appropriate strategies and tactics will be chosen.

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Hazardous Materials Field Guide/Bevelacqua and Stilp

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Hazardous Materials: Regulations, Response, and Site Operations/Schnepp and Gantt

This essential guide provides the student with a practical approach to the concepts of handling hazardous materials. Based on OSHA "HAZWOPER" regulations, this invaluable text addresses the specific competencies required of persons responding to a hazardous materials emergency.

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Emergency Medical Response to Hazardous Materials Incidents/Stilp and Bevelacqua

Medical aspects of hazardous materials response including the initial response, chemical and toxicological information, and effects on body systems—injury and treatment, physiology, and treatments of common poisonings—are explained in this book. The student will learn how to make decisions based on a scale of risk versus gain.

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Emergency Decontamination for Hazardous Materials Responders/Henry

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Hazardous Materials Air Monitoring/Detection Devices/Hawley

This text provides HAZMAT students with a thorough guide to effective air monitoring in emergency response situations. The key component to safely responding to hazardous materials is the use of a variety of detection devices for effective air monitoring. The most up-to-date information is provided along with discussion of future trends and rapidly changing technology in this field.

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Inspection, Investigation, and Fire Law



Fire Prevention: Inspection and Code Enforcement, 2nd ed./Diamantes

This is a vital resource for the application of building and fire prevention codes in the inspection of buildings and facilities and for compliance through the code enforcement process. Issues such as enforcement

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Engineering Practical Rope Rescue Systems/Brown

Beginners and advanced rescue technicians will learn from and enjoy this entertaining and educational book. A practical look at rope rescue systems from the point of view of an experienced professional, each chapter features exciting stories and real-life situations. The book provides a complete review of team integrity and development issues as well as team efficiency concepts that create a superior survival profile.

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Fire Protection Systems

Design of Water-Based Fire Protection Systems/Gagnon

A vital reference for every inspector and designer of fire protection, sprinkler, architectural, or engineering systems, this book is a must. Hydraulic calculations for the most commonly encountered water-based fire protection systems are covered in detail. Manual hydraulic calculations are thoroughly covered, and a computer disk is included to provide the reader with the opportunity to calculate a wide variety of systems.

Order #: 0-8273-7883-1

Design of Special Hazard and Fire Alarm Systems/Gagnon

As the most current guide to the design of state-of-the-art special hazard and fire protection systems, this book is essential to architects, engineers, layout technicians, plumbers, mechanical contractors, and sprinkler firms. Using the most up-to-date NFPA standards and reference data, it guides the reader through the steps needed to design a wide variety of simple and complex systems.

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Officer

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Company Officer/Smoke

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Going for the Gold/Coleman

Author Ronny Coleman, Chief Deputy Director of the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, offers a unique, must-have resource for the thousands of individuals who hope to carry the fire chief's badge. It covers the specifics of how a person actually applies leadership and decision-making concepts on a daily basis. The book provides a realistic appraisal of what it takes to aspire for, achieve, and then succeed as fire chief.

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Fire Department Incident Safety Officer/Dodson

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Reference

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A Practical Guide to Teaching in the Fire Service/Morse

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First Responder Handbook: Fire Service Edition/Walter, Rutledge, and Edgar

This book covers safety for first responders, patient care principles, emergency response tactics, and first responder actions for incidents involving terrorism. This street-smart book fulfills the U.S. Department of Transportation's requirements for

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First Responder Handbook: Law Enforcement Edition/Walter, Rutledge, Edgar, and Davis

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