TO: Fire Department Appointing Authorities, Fire Chiefs
FROM: Regina Caggiano, Director of Civil Service
DATE: November 24, 2021
SUBJECT: Reading Lists for Deputy & District Fire Chief Examinations

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STATEWIDE DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF
STATEWIDE DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF
EXAMINATION DATE – Saturday, May 21, 2022

This reading list will pertain to all Human Resources Division Written Examinations for Deputy & District Fire Chief that are administered in 2022.

Candidates are responsible for reading all the texts and other materials listed below and on all pages of this announcement. Please note carefully which edition and/or date of publication is listed for each item. All examination questions will be based on these materials.

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READING FOR DEPUTY CHIEF AND DISTRICT CHIEF


Entire text except Chapters 17 and 18, glossary and Appendices.


Entire text except Chapters 10, 23, 24, glossary, and Appendix. There will be no questions on scenarios at the beginning of each chapter.

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Chapter 1: entire chapter
Chapter 3: pp. 69-83; stop at “Public Water Supply Systems.”
Chapter 4: pp. 105-143; stop at “Testing and Inspection.”
Chapter 5: pp. 151-162; stop at “Standpipe Inspection and Testing.”
Chapter 7: entire chapter; exclude any sub-titled section “Inspection and Testing…”
Chapter 8: pp. 217-233; stop at “System Testing, Inspection, and Maintenance.”

NOTE: Exclude appendices, glossary, tables, figures, case histories, and information boxes.


Chapter 1: pp. 11-28; stop at “Hazmat Regulations.”
Chapter 2: pp. 72-80; (start at “Transportation Placards, Labels, and Markings” and stop at “Canadian Placards, Labels, and Markings”); pp. 86-88 (start at “NFPA 704 System” and stop at “Globally harmonized system”); pp. 104-107 (start at “Senses” and stop at end of chapter)
Chapter 3: entire chapter
Chapter 4: pp. 137-177 (stop at “Hazard Classes”); pp. 199-205 (start at “Additional Information” and stop at the end of chapter)
Chapter 5: pp. 209-225 (stop at “General Container Types and Behavior”)
Chapter 7: pp. 331-355 (start at “Implementing Response Objectives and Action Options” and stop at end of chapter)
Chapter 8: pp. 361-380 (stop at “Identification of IED’s”); pp 388-417 (start at “Response to Explosive/IE events” and stop at end of chapter)
Chapter 10: entire chapter
Chapter 12: entire chapter
Chapter 13: entire chapter
Chapter 15: entire chapter

NOTE: Exclude appendices, glossary tables, metric equivalents, figures, and skill sheets.

Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 148 (as amended through the release date of this reading list).


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NOTE: Exclude Preface, acknowledgements, Opening Scenarios at beginning of each chapter, Chapter Objectives at beginning of each chapter, Closing Scenarios, summary, key terms, questions, projects, recommended reading at the end of each chapter, appendices, and index. NOTE: The Glossary and all terms therein are included.

PUBLISHERS OF READING LIST TEXTS

Fire Engineering, P. O. Box 21288, Tulsa, OK 74121-9971; (800) 752-9764; http://www.pennwellbooks.com/categories/fire-rescue.html

IFSTA (International Fire Service Training Association), Fire Protection Publications, Oklahoma State University, 930 North Willis, Stillwater, OK 74078-8045; (800) 654-4055; https://www.ifsta.org

ICMA (International City Management Association) Distribution Center, P. O. Box 931897, Atlanta, GA 31193; (800) 745-8780; https://icma.org/

Jones and Bartlett Publishers, 40 Tall Pine Drive, Sudbury, MA 01776-9848; (800) 832-0034; http://www.jblearning.com/

Prentice-Hall, Inc., Pearson Education, Consumer Credit Sales, 200 Old Tappan Road, Old Tappan, NJ 07675; (800) 947-7700; http://www.mypearsonstore.com/

Please note that the Human Resources Division does not recommend specific retailers for the purchase of reading list texts. For local vendors, contact the publishers at the telephone number or website listed, or check with the Chief of your department or local union representative for assistance. Many local retailers will be able to special-order any text not carried in stock.

Any questions regarding the reading list may be directed to Sebastian Moscardi at Sebastian.moscardi@mass.gov. A copy of the reading list is posted on the Human Resources Division’s Civil Service Unit website. Click here!

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