



What is a bridge fire training academy?

A bridge fire training academy is an accredited training program that allows for signatories within the Regional Metropolitan Phoenix Fire Service Automatic Aid agreement to train Incumbent Recruit Firefighters (IRF) efficiently and effectively to meet the minimum firefighter training standards of the recognized regional fire training academies as approved by the Central Arizona Life Safety Council. An IRF will be classified as a person who is currently working as a career, full-time paid professional incumbent firefighter and who currently possesses, or can possess, a valid Arizona State Firefighter I & II Certification and meets all the pre-requisite job requirements of the IRF's employer. The Regional Metropolitan Phoenix Fire Service Bridge Fire Training Academy is conducted over a minimum of 270 hours, and at a minimum, the IRF must successfully pass all three phases of the core skills to be considered eligible to graduate from the Bridge Fire Training Academy.