

Office of the Fire Commissioner Newsletter



Fire Safety Act Updated Q&A available online

The Fire Safety Act Q&A document on the Office of the Fire Commissioner website has been updated and can be found, [here](#).

Please review it for new information. If you have any questions, please reach out to your local fire service advisor. Contact information for fire service advisors can be found, [here](#).



Read the Office of the Fire Commissioner's Q2 Quarterly report now available here:

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/public-safety/fire-safety/fire-reporting>

Inspector and investigator standards now available

Fire Safety Act (FSA) Fire Inspector Training Standards and Fire Investigator Training Standards are now available on the Office of the Fire Commissioner (OFC) website, [here](#).

The standards are based on some of the applicable job performance requirements in the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Standard on Professional Qualifications for Fire Investigator and Fire Inspector.

These standards are being published as the first step to ensure that designated fire inspectors and fire investigators that currently meet the required training standards can fulfill their roles.

Designated fire inspectors and fire investigators that meet the training standards should complete a "Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition" (PLAR) form for each designated role to confirm that they meet the standards. The PLARs can be located on the OFC's website, [here](#).



Designated fire inspectors and fire investigators that do not meet the minimum training requirements must take the OFC online training courses. There will be one course for fire inspectors and one course for fire investigators. Each course will deliver attainable minimum standards and can be completed online in approximately 8 – 10 hours (per course). Online training for fire inspectors and fire investigators will be available in late 2024. Training materials for the courses and the online training will be provided at no cost.

To learn more about training requirements, please review the FSA Q&A document, [here](#).



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