Dear Interested Parties:

At its meeting of March 6-7, 2013, the Standards Council considered an appeal from Chief Scott D. Kerwood, Williamson County Emergency Services District #3, requesting the Council issue proposed Tentative Interim Amendment (TIA) No. 1087 on the 2013 edition of NFPA 1001, *Standard for Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications*. Specifically, TIA No. 1087, seeks to modify the text of the reference to NFPA 1582, *Standard on Comprehensive Occupational Medical Program for Fire Departments* within the 2013 edition of NFPA 1001. The TIA seeks to return the specific reference of the “essential job tasks” in NFPA 1582 back to the broader reference of the “medical requirements” in NFPA 1582, as found in the 2008 edition of NFPA 1001. The change in 4.1(3) General would read as follows:

1. Minimum educational requirements established by the AHJ
2. Age requirements established by the AHJ
3. Essential Job Tasks of NFPA 1582, *Standard on Comprehensive Occupational Medical Program for Fire Departments*, Chapter 5, Subsection 5.1.1, as determined by the medical authority of the AHJ.

*NOTE: Participants in NFPA’s codes and standards making process should know that limited review of this decision may be sought from the NFPA Board of Directors. For the rules describing the available review and the method for petitioning the Board for review, please consult section 1.7 of the NFPA Regulations Governing the Development of NFPA Standards and the NFPA Regulations Governing Petitions to the Board of Directors from Decisions of the Standards Council. Notice of the intent to file such a petition must be submitted to the Clerk of the Board of Directors within 15 calendar days of the Date of Decision noted in the subject line of this letter.*
The Council voted to uphold the appeal and to issue the TIA. The effect of this action is that NFPA 1001 Section 4.1(3), will be modified as shown.

**Notice on Short Decisions:** This is a “Short” decision, briefly stating the action on the appeals. A full Final Decision, containing further detail, will be issued in due course, and will automatically be sent to all interested parties as soon as it becomes available. Note that any Petition to the NFPA Board of Directors (see *NOTE, in the footer on the first page of this letter) must be filed within 15 days of the date of this Short Decision (see Date of Decision, in the subject line on the first page). Once the Notice has been filed, however, the Petition itself, should it be pursued, will not be due until 15 days following issuance of the Final Decision.

Sincerely,

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Secretary, NFPA Standards Council

c:  D. Berry, M. Brodoff, L. Fuller, T. McGowan, K. Willette, S. Van Zandt
   Members, Technical Committee on Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications (PQU-FFQ)
   Members, Correlating Committee on Professional Qualifications (PQU-AAC)
   Members, NFPA Standards Council (AAD-AAA)
   Individuals Providing Appeal Commentary
Pursuant to Section 5 of the NFPA Regulations Governing the Development of NFPA Standards, the National Fire Protection Association has issued the following Tentative Interim Amendment to NFPA 1001, Standard for Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications, 2013 edition. The TIA was processed by the Technical Committee on Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications and the Correlating Committee on Professional Qualifications, and was issued by the Standards Council on March 7, 2013, with an effective date of March 27, 2013.

A Tentative Interim Amendment is tentative because it has not been processed through the entire standards-making procedures. It is interim because it is effective only between editions of the standard. A TIA automatically becomes a public input of the proponent for the next edition of the standard; as such, it then is subject to all of the procedures of the standards-making process.

1. Revise Section 4.1(3) General to read as follows:

(1) Minimum educational requirements established by the AHJ
(2) Age requirements established by the AHJ
(3)* Medical requirements of NFPA 1582, Standard on Comprehensive Occupational Medical Program for Fire Departments.

Issue Date: March 7, 2013
Effective Date: March 27, 2013

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