

Sonoma County/CALFIRE agreement the for issuance of NWCG certificates

Agreement

The purpose of this agreement is to establish a standardized system for Sonoma county fire departments and districts to instruct basic firefighter training for which CALFIRE will issue an NWCG certificate of training.

General Guidelines

CALFIRE – LNU agrees to issue NWCG certificates for members of Sonoma County Fire Departments/Districts under the following conditions

CALFIRE – LNU Training Officer will act as Course Coordinator as defined in the NWCG Field Manager's Guide.

Local Government personnel will act as Lead Instructor or Class Administrator.

Only certificates for S-130 Wildland Firefighter, S-131 Firefighter Type 1, and S-190 Introduction to Wildland Fire Behavior will be issued under this agreement.

All classes will be conducted in accordance with the [NWCG Field Manager's Guide](#)

Any exceptions to this agreement must have prior approval of the CALFIRE LNU Training Battalion Chief.

Instructors

Instructors or Administrators (online courses) must meet the requirements listed in the NWCG Field Manager's Guide (see instructor qualifications below for excerpt)

Instructors must be members of a Sonoma County Fire Department/District or CALFIRE.

Lead Instructors or Administrators must be considered Engine Boss (ENGB) qualified by a Sonoma County Fire Agency. (per NWCG Field Manager's Guide)

Unit Instructors must be considered Firefighter Type 1 (FFT1) qualified by a Sonoma County Fire Agency. (per NWCG Field Manager's Guide)

Instructors will not charge a fee for teaching classes under this agreement.

Lead Instructor or Administrator will sign and issue only NWCG certificates provided by CALFIRE LNU.

Students

Students must be members of a Sonoma County Fire Department/District.

Students must meet the class requirements and prerequisites as listed in the NWCG Field Managers Guide.

Students will not be charged a fee in excess of cost of class materials. Student fees will be noted on the class roster submitted to CALFIRE.

Courses

Only S-130 Wildland Firefighter, S-131 Firefighter Type 1, and S-190 Introduction to Wildland Fire Behavior courses may be taught under this agreement.

Classes should be open to all qualified students from Sonoma County Fire Departments/Districts. Class size will be dictated by available facilities and instructors.

Class roster will be submitted to CALFIRE LNU on approved form (attached).

The Department/District hosting the class will be responsible for:

- Assigning qualified instructors
- Class materials and facilities
- Verifying students meet all class requirements and prerequisites
- Student Safety
- Advertising class, if desired
- Maintaining class roster and collection of fees, if any.
- Submitting completed roster with student and instructor signatures to CALFIRE. Certificates will be issued as shown on class roster

CALFIRE – LNU will be responsible for:

- Issuing completed, unsigned certificates to lead instructor.
- Cost of certificates
- Course coordination as defined in NWCG Field Manager's Guide

General Instructor Qualifications (excerpted from NWCG Field Manager's Guide.)

Instructors of 100-200 level NWCG courses: To serve as an instructor (Unit or Lead) you must meet one of the following criteria:

- Qualified and current (minus Work Capacity Test and Annual Fireline Safety Refresher) in any required positions identified as an instructor prerequisite for the course description in the NWCG Field Manager's Course Guide. **OR** Written approval by Course Coordinator to instruct a specific unit or technical portions of a unit or units.

100 level courses: No additional training requirements beyond those set forth in the Field

Manager's Course Guide for each particular course.

Course Specific Instructor requirements

S-130, S-131, and S-190

Lead instructor must be a CICCIS qualified single resource boss. Unit instructors must be qualified firefighters type 1 (FFT1).

Sonoma County / CALFIRE NWCG Course Roster

Course Name (S-130,131 or 190 only)		Start Date	Hours	Class Location	
		End Date			
Lead Instructor Name		Lead Instructor Dept./District			
		Hosting Department/District			
Student Name	Signature	Department	Fee	Pass/Fail	
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					
8					
9					
10					
11					
12					
13					
14					
15					
16					
17					
18					
19					
20					
21					
22					
23					
24					
25					
Instructors agree to comply with the NWCG Field Manager's Guide and the Sonoma County/CALFIRE agreement the for issuance of NWCG certificates:					
Lead Instructor Signature		Date	Phone #		