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Wildland Fire & Prescribed Burn Training: Online

This training is required by the IL DNR in order to work on prescribed fires and is part of the requirement to become an IL Certified Prescribed Burn Manager. It is also the minimum qualification to work on federal wildland fire incidents. To qualify for wildland fire you will also have to take the Work Capacity Test, which is a 3 mile walk with a 45 pound pack in 45 minutes. To work on IDNR prescribed burns, there is no physical test.

Complete the online NWCG

- S130 – Wildland Firefighter Training
- S190 – Fire Behavior
- L180 - Human Factors
- I-100 & IS-700 Introduction to Incident Command Systems and Introduction to National Incident Management are FEMA courses and can be found on their training website.
- Setup an account on the Wildland Fire Learning Portal at <https://wildlandfirelearningportal.net/>. For agency list the one that applies best; if none apply, check AD (do not list contractor). For Unit, list Illinois State or ILS. Wait 1-2 days for an account approval email.
- Prior to taking a FEMA course you will need to setup a FEMA SID at the following site: <https://cdp.dhs.gov/femasid> At the top of the page there are options for: Login, Forgot Your ID, and Register for a FEMA SID
- After you have your ID, FEMA classes: <https://training.fema.gov/is/>

Keep copies of all certificates from your classes. You will be required to submit a course completion certificate for each class when you attend a Fire Field Day. Field days are setup in the Spring and Fall by IDNR Forestry/Fire. If you would like to be notified of the field days, please email Ben Snyder.

The field day may include the following:

- Fire Shelters – practice deployment
- Wildland Fire Hand Tools
- Ignition devices
- Fireline construction
- How to or a demonstration prescribed burn

Please contact me if you have questions.

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