

PUBLIC SAFETY FIRST AID **7211**
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PURPOSE **7211.1**
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This policy section outlines the roles and responsibilities of the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Program and Public Safety First Aid (PSFA) personnel.

CAL FIRE is committed to ensure the provision of effective and efficient prehospital emergency medical care. The EMS Program supports the commitment to ensure all Department public safety personnel maintain the required EMS training standards.

The intent of the CAL FIRE CPR training program is to certify CAL FIRE public safety personnel. CAL FIRE may train volunteer firefighters, paid-call firefighters, explorer scouts, cadets or non-safety personnel. There are no training eligibility restrictions limiting whom CAL FIRE may train at the PSFA training level.

AUTHORITY **7211.2**
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- California Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5
- California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 9
- American Heart Association

RELATED POLICIES **7211.3**
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- 1800 CAL FIRE Health and Fitness Handbook
- 4000 CAL FIRE Training Handbook
- 4300 CAL FIRE Fire Protection Training Handbook
- 8500 CAL FIRE Cooperative Fire Services Handbook

RESPONSIBILITIES

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PSFA Trained Employee

- Ensures required EMS training requirements are met (refer to the appropriate CAL FIRE handbook)
- Ensures all training/certification/licensure requirements are met
- Complies with the 4000 CAL FIRE Training Handbook for maintaining of first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) training

CAL FIRE Supervisor

- Ensures PSFA initial training shall be satisfactorily completed as outlined in the CAL FIRE 4000 Training Handbook, Fire Protection Training Guides
- Coordinates with Unit/Program EMS Coordinator to ensure training is provided

Unit/Program EMS Coordinator

- Maintains course completion documentation for personnel
- Organizes training to ensure public safety personnel meet minimum training standards

Unit/Program Training Officer

- Coordinates with Unit/Program EMS Coordinator and EMS Program staff to ensure delivery of any EMS training meets current CAL FIRE EMS policy and federal and/or state regulations
- Coordinates with Unit/Program EMS Coordinator and EMS Program staff regarding EMS training and CE
- Coordinates with Unit/Program EMS Coordinator to ensure Unit/Program EMS Instructors are qualified

Unit Chief/Program Manager

- Ensures all public safety personnel meet minimum training standards

Region Chief/Deputy Director

- Directs Unit Chief/Program Manager to ensure all public safety personnel meet minimum training standards

EMS Program Staff

- Assists with EMS related curriculum development as directed

EMS Program Training Coordinator

- Ensures Unit/Program Training Coordinators maintain course completion documentation for public safety personnel
- Maintains the EMS Instructor Database
- Coordinates development of EMS related curriculum

EMS Physician

- Reviews EMS curricula in conjunction with EMS Program and curriculum development staff, to ensure training materials meet current regulations and guidelines

EMS Program Manager

- Reviews and approves EMS curricula to ensure training materials meet current regulations and guidelines
- Coordinates with Unit/Program staff as needed

EMS Chief

- Supervises EMS Program Manager

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