

**FIRE PROTECTION SPRINKLER SYSTEMS WORK  
EXAMINING BOARD**

**AGENDA**

**JUNE 11, 2020**

**9:00 a.m.**

A scheduled meeting of the Fire Protection Sprinkler Systems Work Examining Board will be held on June 11, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

This meeting will be held remotely.

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One Unlimited Journeyperson  
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**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**

The Board will review the draft minutes from the March 5, 2020 Fire Protection Sprinkler Systems Work Examining Board meeting.

**COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:**

**DCP INVESTIGATION DIVISION COMPLAINT STATUS REPORT:**

1. Board to review complaint status report when provided.

**APPLICATIONS:**

**1. Application report**

The Board will review the application report including applications approved from November 29, 2019 to present.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**1. Backflow Prevention Device**

At the December 5, 2019 meeting, John Abbate, NFSA requested clarification regarding the testing of backflow on a fire prevention system, specifically, is a backflow prevention certification adequate, or is an "F" license required in addition to the backflow prevention certification?

At the March 5, 2020 meeting, the Board reviewed documentation which was provided by the Department and states that an F-1 holder cannot install the backflow prevention device associated with a fire sprinkler system; it must be installed by a P-1 holder. The Board expressed their concerns about the F-1 holder not being able to do this work and stated that they would like a legislative change to clarify such.

At today's meeting, the Board will review the scope of work for P-2 and F-2 licenses and continue to discuss this matter. Richard M. Hurlburt will provide related CT General Statute information.

**2. Limited Multipurpose Residential Sprinkler License (F-5, F-6 License Types) – AFSA Training Class**

This class was to be held April 6 through April 8, 2020. It was noted that, as of the March 5, 2020 meeting, 24 people were enrolled.

### **3. Discussion regarding application review and credit for licensure from other jurisdictions**

An Application Review Working Group has been established. The Board determined, at their last meeting, that all applications with the Connecticut Department of Labor seal, as well as those with the required documentation from Local 669 and AFSA, will continue to be processed by the Department. All others will come before the Working Group.

### **4. Proposed Legislation**

#### **A. Senate Bill No. 297 – An Act Concerning the Use of Perfluoroalkyl or Polyfluoroalkyl Substances in Class B Firefighting Foam**

At the March 5, 2020 meeting, the Board discussed this bill and how it relates to the fire protection trade. After discussion it was determined that the Board will monitor and follow the progress of this bill as it moves through the legislative process.

#### **B. Senate Bill No. 13 – An Act Expanding Economic Opportunity in Licensed Occupations**

At the March 5, 2020 meeting Julianne Avallone, Legal Director provided an overview of the aspects of this bill that relate to the Department and occupational trade licensing, such as a proposed change in apprentice ratios. Julianne suggested that the Board monitor and follow the progress of this bill and noted that this is bill is not a DCP proposed regulation.

### **5. Decrease in number of licensees in the fire protection trade**

Discussion took place at the March 5, 2020 meeting regarding the decrease in the number of F-1 and F-2 licensees. Richard M. Hurlburt will provide information at today's meeting regarding the current number of licensees, as compared to previous years.

### **6. Construction Career Day**

The annual Construction Career Day was scheduled for May 6 and 7, 2020 by ABC Connecticut and CEC (Construction Education Center).

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

### **COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:**

2020 MEETING SCHEDULE:

- September 10
- December 3