FIRE OFFICER 2

SAMPLE TEST

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1. When confronted with an unsafe act that presents an unusual or dangerous hazard, the company officer should:

A. immediately inform the incident commander, who will stop the unsafe act.
B. consult with the incident commander prior to stopping the unsafe act.
C. immediately stop the unsafe action and then inform the incident commander.
D. immediately stop the unsafe action and document the incident for disciplinary purposes.

2. The classification for contents that are likely to burn with moderate rapidity or give off a considerable volume of smoke is a/an __________ hazard.

A. low  B. moderate  C. ordinary  D. special

3. In most cases, substandard performance results from one or more of three root causes. One of those causes is:

A. unwillingness  B. boredom  C. qualification  D. laziness

4. A __________ is usually reserved for internal communications only.

A. memorandum  B. report  C. summary letter  D. press release

5. Which of the following records would be valuable to the company officer in analyzing why an accident occurred?

A. witness statements  B. photographs, slides  C. diagrams  D. all of the above

6. A firefighter is performing substandard work, caused by personal problems. The officer should:

A. try to solve the problem himself.
B. recommend the Employee Assistance Program.
C. recommend career counseling.
D. implement preventive actions.

7. While using multiple assistant safety officers on the scene, it is the responsibility of the __________ to coordinate their safety planning.

A. assistant chief  B. operations chief
C. safety officer  D. company officer
8. One method used during an external budget review is:

A. identifying fixed and recurring expenses.
B. letting officials know how spending now will bring future savings.
C. presenting little information and forcing officials to ask questions.
D. public hearings to allow citizen input.

9. **Directions**: Read the statements below and choose your answer from alternatives A-D.

   **Statement 1**: Program budgets list fire department activities in different categories than a line item budget.

   **Statement 2**: Cost breakdown per unit of work, e.g. cost per inspection, is a characteristic of a program budget.

   **Statement 3**: Developing a zero-based budget request can be very time consuming.

   A. Statement 3 is correct; statements 1 and 2 are incorrect.
   B. Statement 2 is correct; statements 1 and 3 are incorrect.
   C. Statements 1 and 3 are correct; statement 2 is incorrect.
   D. All three statements are correct.

10. If access to an exit door is obstructed or the door is found to be locked, this life safety hazard should be corrected:

    A. before the inspection team leaves the premises.
    B. within a reasonable scheduled time.
    C. before the opening of the next business day.
    D. within two business days.

11. According to standard map symbols, private water service is indicated by a __________ line.

    A. bold, dashed         B. solid
    C. double-dashed        D. dot-dash-dot

12. Safety practices learned during recruit training need to be reinforced:

    A. only during annual performance testing.
    B. after each accident has occurred.
    C. never; these easily become good habits.
    D. continually throughout the firefighter's career.

13. One of the dangers with lightweight truss construction is:

    A. the economical cost.
    B. increased vulnerability to fail when exposed to fire.
    C. limited use in residential structures.
    D. elimination of gusset plates.
14. In preparing an acquired structure for a live fire training exercise, the company officer should assure:

A. that tripping hazards are removed.
B. structural stability of floors, walls, and roof.
C. compliance with NFPA 1403.
D. all of the above.

15. Directions: Read the following statements, then select your answer from alternatives A-D below.

Statement 1: Fire department officials should be involved in related activities of local governments.

Statement 2: Professional associations of fire chiefs are a branch of state governments.

Statement 3: In a council/manager government, the fire department supervisor is likely to be the city manager.

A. Statements 1 and 3 are true; statement 2 is false.
B. Statement 1 is true; statements 2 and 3 are false.
C. All three statements are true.
D. Statement 1 is false; statements 2 and 3 are true.

16. The heat detection device that will activate when the temperature rise exceeds predetermined 12°F to 15°F/minute is a __________ detector.

A. fixed-rise
B. rate-of-rise
C. fixed-temperature
D. All of the above

17. The company officer can have a major impact on preventing injuries. The preferred method of impacting safety is:

A. making an example of a firefighter who violates safety practices.
B. using progressive discipline.
C. setting a positive example.
D. acting as incident safety officer.
**Directions:** Match the actions listed in Column A to the appropriate description from Column B.

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21. **Directions:** Read the following statements regarding fire department purchasing and select your answer from choices A-D.

Statement 1: Typically, once the petty cash limit is exceeded by the cost of an item, the purchase order system is used.

Statement 2: Like petty cash, the purchase order system eliminates the need to secure price quotes before purchase.

Statement 3: Any fire department member can authorize a purchase order with his/her signature.

A. Statement 1 is true; statements 2 and 3 are false.
B. Statements 1 and 2 are true; statement 3 is false.
C. Statements 2 and 3 are true; statement 1 is false.
D. All three statements are true.

22. The company officer may make drawings of a building for future reference as part of a formal report. The report drawings should be:

A. drawn to scale.
B. accompanied by photos.
C. sent to the insurance office.
D. sent to the owner.

23. **T** A department should have a standard operating procedure/guideline on how to conduct a post-incident analysis.

24. Actions taken in advance of an emergency that develop operational capabilities and facilitate an effective response in the event an emergency occurs are referred to as:

A. standard operating guidelines.
B. size-up.
C. resource inventory.
D. pre-incident planning.
25. Improperly performed post-incident evaluations can:

   A. be hurtful to department personnel.
   B. be threatening to departmental command staff.
   C. have little technical value or merit.
   D. All of the above