

NWCG CURRICULUM MANAGEMENT ISSUE PAPER #132
REMOVAL OF THE SPANISH S-130 AND SPANISH S-190 FROM THE NWCG
CURRICULUM
February 1, 2016

BACKGROUND

NWCG issued direction through the NWCG Executive Board memo dated May 17, 2004, stating all small unit leaders (anyone above the FFT2 level) must be proficient in the English language and the language used by the members of their crew/units. Based on this direction, the Training Working Team authorized the development of Spanish versions of S-130, Firefighter Training, and S-190, Introduction to Fire Behavior. There are now four courses required for FFT2: S-130, S-190, L-180 and ICS-100. L-180 and ICS-100 do not exist in Spanish. The English S-130 and S-190 courses are currently under revision.

CURRENT STATUS

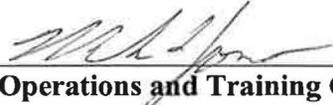
With revisions to the English versions of S-130 and S-190, the existing Spanish versions will contain dated content. After much discussion and data analysis, in December 2015, the Operations and Training Committee recommended to the NWCG Executive Board that the Spanish S-130 and S-190 courses be removed from NWCG Publications. The recommendation was approved by the Executive Board on January 27, 2016 (see attached Memorandum No. 16-001).

RECOMMENDATION

Remove the Spanish S-130, Firefighter Training, and Spanish S-190, Introduction to Wildland Fire Behavior courses and associated components from the NWCG curriculum. Effective date for removal will be October 1, 2016.

APPROVED / DENIED
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SIGNATURE



Operations and Training Committee Chair

2/18/2016
Date

cc:

- Geographic Area Training Representatives
- IQCS Program Lead
- IQS Program Lead

Attachment: NWCG Executive Board Memorandum No. 16-001



NATIONAL WILDFIRE COORDINATING GROUP

Memorandum No. 16-001

Date: 27 January 2016

TO: NWCG Executive Board Members

FROM: John Glenn, Chair, NWCG Executive Board

SUBJECT: Removal of Spanish Versions of S-130 Firefighter Training and S-190 Introduction to Wildland Fire Behavior from the NWCG Curriculum

Purpose: This memorandum communicates the NWCG decision to remove the Spanish versions of the S-130 and S-190 courses and associated Spanish materials from the NWCG course curriculum. Please distribute this information through your agency channels.

Issue/Action Requested: The following courses and materials will be removed from the NWCG curriculum and the Publication Management System (PMS) upon release of the revised S-130 and S-190 courses. Agencies with an identified need for multi-lingual course materials should contact their respective National Training Officer for assistance.

- S-130 Instructor Guide (Spanish), NFES Number 002860
- S-130 Student Workbook (Spanish), NFES Number 002861
- S-130 CD-ROM Course Materials (Spanish), NFES Number 002862
- S-130 DVD, Part 1 (Spanish), NFES Number 002863
- S-130 DVD, Part 2 (Spanish), NFES Number 002864
- S-130 Card (Spanish) Standard Firefighting Orders/Watch Out Situations, NFES Number 002639
- S-130 Decal (Spanish) Standard Firefighting Orders/Watch Out Situations, NFES Number 002734
- S-190 Instructor Guide (Spanish), NFES Number 002940
- S-190 Student Workbook (Spanish), NFES Number 002941
- S-190 CD-ROM Course Materials (Spanish), NFES Number 002942

Background: The S-130 and S-190 training courses are currently undergoing revision. The revised S-190 will be released in early 2016; the revised S-130 will be released in late 2016/early 2017. Because of these revisions, the Operations and Training Committee (OTC) evaluated the need to produce and maintain Spanish versions of these courses, and determined that the interagency demand from the field for Spanish versions of these courses does not warrant continued production and maintenance by NWCG.

Contact Information: For more information, contact your OTC representative listed at <http://www.nwcg.gov/committees/operations-and-training-committee/roster>