



Memorandum No. 16-004

Date: 23 March 2016

TO: NWCG Executive Board Members

FROM: John Glenn, Chair, NWCG Executive Board

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SUBJECT: Errata to the *Wildland Fire Incident Management Field Guide* (PMS 210) Update to Minimum Crew Standards for National Mobilization

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide an errata to the 2014 *Wildland Fire Incident Management Field Guide* (PMS 210-1), specifically to the Type 1 crew standards found in the "Minimum Crew Standards for National Mobilization" matrix. Please distribute this memorandum and its attachment through your agency channels.

The Type 1 column in the "Minimum Crew Standards for National Mobilization" matrix found on page 129 of the January 2014 edition of the PMS 210-1 is outdated. Please refer to attachment 1 for the current matrix. The updated matrix will be included in the PMS 210-1 at the time of its next scheduled revision.

The *Standards for Interagency Hotshot Crew Operations* (SIHCO) was revised by the National Interagency Hotshot Crew Steering Committee and approved on January 21, 2016. Several changes in the SIHCO required an update to the PMS 210-1 "Minimum Crew Standards for National Mobilization" matrix found on page 129. These changes include:

- Standard Type 1 crew size is 20-22, with a minimum of 18 required for mobilization.
- Type 1 crews must have four (4) Intermediate Fallers (FAL2), and 50% of the crew must be qualified as Basic Faller (FAL3) or higher.
- Type 1 crews must have a minimum of eight (8) programmable radios.
- Type 1 crew Assistant Superintendent qualification requirements have been modified; these personnel are required to be qualified as Task Force Leader (TFLD) OR Strike Team Leader, Crew (STCR), AND Single Resource Boss, Crew (CRWB), AND Incident Commander, Type 4 (ICT4).
- Type 1 crew Squad Leader qualification requirements have been modified; these personnel must be qualified as Single Resource Boss, Crew (CRWB) AND Incident Commander, Type 5 (ICT5). This requirement will be implemented on January 21, 2018. The previous standard of FFT1 and ICT5 is acceptable until the implementation date.

Questions may be directed to your agency's representative on the Operations and Training Committee. A current roster of committee members is located at <http://www.nwcg.gov/committees/operations-and-training-committee/roster>.

**Attachments:**

Attachment 1: Minimum Crew Standards for National Mobilization, 21 March 2016

cc: NWCG Staff