



Candidate Physical Ability Testing Division

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The Southwest United Fire Districts Fire Training Academy (SUFD) serves the Chicago Metro area providing a full-service fire training academy and an in-service training program to member departments.

The Candidate Physical Ability Test (CPAT) is a pre-employment test developed in cooperation between the International Association of Firefighters and the International Association of Fire Chiefs and is comprised of a comprehensive orientation, preparation and testing program. Individuals may register and take part in CPAT Pre-Certification for use in fire department hiring processes. These candidates must declare the departments they are testing for during registration. Upon successful completion of the test a CPAT Identification Card will be issued to the candidate. **Testing fees will be \$125.00 and payment is required at time of registration. Payment by check, money order or cash only. Registration fee is non-refundable after orientation session.** Candidates who elect to sign waiver of participation in orientation period may challenge CPAT during Timed Course Practice test dates or CPAT Test Dates, registration fee is required prior to each test attempt.

Each session begins with an Orientation meeting and Station Practice session to familiarize the candidate with the CPAT. Candidates will have the opportunity to ask questions of the proctor staff and Peer Fitness Trainers and to view orientation video of the course and process. As part of the orientation and preparation process, candidate orientation guides and test preparation guides are available for downloading or viewing at www.sufd.org. Please see our website for complete listings of fire training academies, certification courses, and CPAT test dates and other information.

Testing & Orientation Facility Location

Chicago Roofers Apprenticeship Training Center
Indianhead Park, IL 60525

(This is a private road accessed at approximately 7000 So. Wolf Rd.)

See detailed map and directions at www.sufd.org

2010 CPAT Testing Schedule						
Event (*Mandatory)	Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Session 4	Session 5	Session 6
Orientation* and Station Practice	Jan 7 1830-2200	Feb 18 1830-2200	April 29 1830-2200	June 17 1830-2200	August 20 1830-2200	Oct 8 1830-2200
Station Practice	Jan 15	Feb 26	May 6	June 25	August 27	Oct 19
Timed Course Practice	Jan 29 Feb 5	Mar 12 Mar 19	May 21 May 28	July 9 July 14	Sept 8 Sept 16	Oct 29 Nov 5
CPAT Test*	March 4	April 16	June 24	August 12	Oct 15	December 9
<p><i>Practice & Test times selected on date of orientation session.</i></p> <p><i>Open test challenges are available on Timed Course Practice and Test Dates only.</i></p>						