INTERAGENCY CREW QUALIFICATIONS AND EQUIPMENT STANDARDS

Minimum Crew Standards for National Mobilization

Minimum Standards	Type 1 ¹	Type 2 with Initial Attack Capability	Type 2
Fireline Capability	Initial Attack – Can be broken up into squads, fireline construction, complex firing operations (backfire)	Initial Attack – Can be broken up into squads, fireline construction, firing to include burnout	Initial Attack – Fireline construction, firing as directed
Crew Size	18-22	18-20	
Leadership Qualifications	Permanent supervision: Supt.: TFLD, ICT4, FIRB Asst. Supt.: TFLD OR STCR, CRWB, ICT4 Squad Bosses: CRWB ² , ICT5 Senior Firefighters: FFT1	Crew Boss: CRWB 3 Squad Bosses: ICT5	Crew Boss: CRWB 3 Squad Bosses: FFT1
Experience	80% 1 season	60% 1 season	20% 1 season
Full-Time Organized Crew	Yes (work and train as a unit 40 hrs per week)		No
Communications	8 programmable radios	4 programmable radios	
Sawyers	4 FAL2, 50% of crew FAL3	3 agency-qualified	None
Training	As required by the Standards for Interagency Hotshot Crew Operations or agency policy before assignment	Basic firefighter training and/or Annual Fireline Safety Refresher Training before assignment	Basic firefighter training and/or Annual Fireline Safety Refresher Training before assignment
Logistics	Crew level agency purchasing authority	No purchasing authority	No purchasing authority
Maximum Weight	5,300 lb		
Dispatch Availability	Available nationally	Available nationally	Variable
Production Factor	1.0	.8	.8
Transportation	Own transportation	Transportation needed	Transportation needed
Tools & Equipment	Fully equipped	Not equipped	Not equipped
Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)	All standard designated fireline PPE		
Certification	Must be annually certified by the local host Unit Agency Administrator or designee before being made available for assignment.	N/A	N/A
Language Requirement	All senior leadership, including Squad Bosses and higher, must be able to read and interpret the language of the crew as well as English		
Personal Gear	Arrives with: Crew first aid kit, personal first aid kit, headlamp, 1-qt canteen, web gear, sleeping bag		

¹An Interagency Hotshot Crew (IHC) is a Type I crew that exceeds the Type I standards as required by the *Standards for Interagency Hotshot Crew Operations* in the following categories:

Permanent supervision with 7 career appointments (Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, 3 Squad Bosses, 2 Senior Firefighters, OR Superintendent, 2 Assistant Superintendents, 2 Squad Bosses, 2 Senior Firefighters).

IHCs work and train as a unit 40 hours per week.

IHCs are a national resource.

² Implemented on January 21, 2018. Previous standard of FFT1 and ICT5 acceptable until implementation date.