



# S130/S190 CERTIFICATION

WESTERN WILD LAND FIRE FIGHTING CERTIFICATION COURSE  
IN COOPERATION WITH GLENVILLE STATE COLLEGE



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## OBJECTIVE

Objective of this certification program is to work with and prepare students with the knowledge and experience to conduct professional work on wildland suppression and control burns in various work capacities in this field. This training program allows students to be certified in S130/S190 that will follow the students through their career. Along with annual pack test recertification, students are certified to go out on a western wildfire crew.

## SKILLS

WVDOF provides lecture and labs in this course at Glennville State College including: Fire Operations Equipment, Pumps / Hose Lays, Control Burns, Suppression, and Radio Communication.

## EXPERIENCE

### **S130 FIRE FIGHTER TRAINING • PROVIDED BY WVDOF • EVERY FALL SEMESTER AT GSC**

This course is designed to provide entry-level firefighter skills. Field time is encouraged, and many of the units are set up so they can be taught in either the classroom or the field. The field exercise for Unit 12 is required. A version of L-180, Human Factors on the Fireline, has been included as part of this course. Credit should be issued for both S-130 and L-180 upon completion of this course.

### **S190 INTRODUCTION TO WILDLAND FIRE BEHAVIOR • PROVIDED BY WVDOF • EVERY FALL SEMESTER**

This course provides instruction in the primary factors affecting the start and spread of wildfire and recognition of potentially hazardous situations. S-190 is typically taught in conjunction with or prior to Basic Firefighter Training, S-130. It is designed to meet the fire behavior training needs of a Firefighter Type 2 (FFT2)

### **PACK TEST OR RED CARD CERTIFICATION: EVERY SPRING PROVIDED BY WVDOF**

The Pack Test is a job-related test of the capacity for arduous work. It consists of a 3-mile hike with a 45-pound pack over level terrain. A time of 45 minutes, the passing score for the test, approximates an aerobic fitness score of 45, the established standard for wildland firefighters. This test is required by every federal agency before an Incident Qualification Card (red card) can be issued. WV Division of Forestry offers this testing in various locations in the state during the spring semester to willing participants.



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