**Fire Department Certification Requirements**

**In order to be a Certified Fire Department,** **a department must have the following items:**

**1. Arkansas Fire Incident Reporting System I**.**D. Number. This number is assigned by the Arkansas Fire Training Academy.**

**2. The Fire Department must be legally organized as a Non-Profit Organization,** **Subordinate Service District, Fire Protection District or Municipal department.**

**3. The Fire Department must have a Certified Training Officer** - **Requirements available from the Arkansas Fire Training Academy**, **Phone #** (870**) 574-1521. Certified Training Officer may be shared between departments when first organized.**

**4. All personnel in the department must be covered by Workman**'**s Compensation.**

**5. The Department must have a minimum of 6 certified active firefighters. Each certified active firefighter should have personal protection equipment including helmets, with face protection** , **boots**, **coats, pants**, **and gloves and hood.**

**6. Training Records- Certificates from required first year classes as well as current and previous year certified training classes must be available.**

**7. Training required is 16 hours per year of certified training approved by the Arkansas Fire Training Academy.**

**8. The** F**ire Department must have Fire Suppression Apparatus** (**truck meeting NFPA 1901), other vehicles should comply to NFPA standards.**

**9. The Fire Department must have four (4) Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) and four (4) spare bottles.**

**9. All certified firefighters must have the following training within the first year.**

**1. Introduction to Firefighting** - **12 hours**

**2. Protective Equipment** - **12 hours**

**3. Wildland Fire Suppression** - **4 hours**

**10. An inventory** **list of all apparatus must be maintained.**