

## NFIRS 5.0 MODULES

NFIRS Version 5.0 consists of 11 modules. **The Basic Module is to be completed for every incident**, with additional modules used as appropriate to describe the incident.

### Description of Modules

The first 5 modules are considered “required”. The Basic module is to be completed for every incident. The remaining required modules are completed as warranted by the incident type and occurrences at the incident.

The **Basic Module** (NFIRS–1) captures general information on every incident (or emergency call) to which the department responds.

The **Fire Module** (NFIRS–2) is used to describe each fire incident to which the department responds. For wildland fire incidents, the Wildland Module can be used instead of the Fire Module if that option is available by your state reporting authority.

The **Structure Fire Module** (NFIRS–3) is used to describe each structure fire to which the department responds. This module is used in conjunction with the Fire Module.

| WHICH FIRE MODULE TO USE: |         |   |
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| Building                  | 111     | Complete the Fire <b>and</b> Structure Modules                |
| Special Structure         | 112     | Complete Fire Module <b>and</b> Section I of Structure Module |
| Confined                  | 113-118 | Basic Module only   |
| Mobile Property           | 120-123 | Complete Fire <b>and</b> Structure Modules                    |
| Vehicle                   | 130-138 | Complete Fire Module  |
| Vegetation                | 140-143 | Complete Fire <b>OR</b> Wildland Module                       |
| Outside Rubbish fire      | 150-155 | Basic Module only   |
| Special Outside fire      | 160     | Complete Fire <b>OR</b> Wildland Module                       |
| Special Outside fire      | 161-163 | Complete Fire Module  |
| Crop Fire                 | 170-173 | Complete Fire <b>OR</b> Wildland Module                       |

The **Civilian Fire Casualty Module** (NFIRS–4) is used to report injuries or deaths to civilians or other emergency personnel (e.g., police officers, non-fire department/EMS personnel) that are related to a fire incident. This module is used in conjunction with the Fire Module and, if applicable, the Structure Fire Module. Non-fire-related injuries or deaths to civilians can be reported on the EMS Module.

The **Fire Service Casualty Module** (NFIRS–5) is used to report injuries and deaths of firefighters. The module can also be used to report the exposure of a firefighter to chemicals or biological agents at an incident where that exposure does not result in any symptoms at that time but that manifest themselves at a later date. This module may be used with any of the other modules.

Modules 6-11 are optional modules within the NFIRS system. Your department and/or municipality should determine the protocol as to whether or not to make completion of these modules required. Use of these modules will provide a more complete description of the incident and thus you are encouraged to complete those modules as the incident warrants.

The **EMS Module** (NFIRS–6) is completed by fire departments that provide emergency medical services. The module is used to report all medical incidents where the department provided the primary patient care. This includes incidents where there were civilian fire-related casualties and a Civilian Fire Casualty Module was completed and where there were firefighter fire-related casualties and a Fire Service Casualty Module was completed. (This module does not serve as a patient care record, but it can be used in conjunction with the local requirements for patient care.)

The **Hazardous Materials Module** (NFIRS–7) is completed to report spills or releases of 55 gallons or more of hazardous materials or when special HazMat actions were taken. As appropriate, the module is used in conjunction with the Fire Module or other modules to provide detailed information about incidents involving hazardous materials.

The **Wildland Fire Module** (NFIRS–8) is completed to report incidents that involve wildland or vegetation fires. The module is used in lieu of the Fire Module for wildland fire incidents.

The **Apparatus or Resources Module** (NFIRS–9), a department-use module, is completed to report data specific to each piece of apparatus that responds to an incident. It includes information that can be used to calculate response time and time out of service. This module is not used if the Personnel Module is used.

The **Personnel Module** (NFIRS–10), a department-use module, is completed to report the same information as on the Apparatus or Resources Module, but it also provides for tracking the personnel associated with that apparatus.

The **Arson Module** (NFIRS–11) is completed to report additional information on fires that have been coded by the department as “intentionally set.”