



MODIFICATION OF COURSE NAME FOR S-212

BACKGROUND

In 2023 the Incident and Position Standards Committee (IPSC) approved the Hazard Tree and Tree Felling Subcommittee (HTTFS) recommendation to adjust the chainsaw curriculum to align with the *NWCG Standards for Wildland Fire Chainsaw Operations*, PMS 212 (IPSC Memo 23-10). The approved recommendation included creating an intermediate course to meet the training needs of the Intermediate Faller (FAL2) position. The new basic chainsaw course, S-112, Introduction to Chainsaw Operations, was completed in 2025. Upon publication of the *NWCG Standards for Wildland Fire Position Qualifications*, PMS 310-1 in January 2026, the new S-112 course replaced S-212, Wildland Fire Chainsaws as required training for the Basic Faller (FAL3) position.

CURRENT STATUS

NWCG has completed the development and evaluation of the intermediate chainsaw course. The course number for intermediate chainsaw training will be at the 200 level, in keeping with the course numbering standards and course numbers used for similar level NWCG courses. The course includes approximately eight hours of online training.

RECOMMENDATION

Change the S-212 course name from S-212, Wildland Fire Chainsaws to S-212, Intermediate Faller. Effective date will be the date of certification of S-212, Intermediate Faller course.

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