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Dear Sir

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CANDIDATES HANDBOOKS FOR THE LEADING FIREFIGHTERS', SUB-OFFICERS' AND STATION OFFICERS' WRITTEN EXAMINATIONS 2005**

Due to changes affecting certain fire safety legislation, the Discipline Regulations and the Scheme of Conditions of Service, it has been necessary to review all THREE Handbooks. The policy of the Board is NOT to include any new material to the examinations bibliography at this stage of proceedings as we move candidates into the IPDS process as part of the transitional arrangements. Therefore, the changes reflect the removal of Study Notes, or minor amendments, where it is no longer felt relevant to ask candidates questions on.

### **Syllabus and Bibliography – Section 2**

A revised Syllabus and Bibliography (Section 2) for both the **Leading Firefighters'** and **Sub-Officers'** written examinations has been issued for the re-sit examinations in 2005/2006. The pages are loose-leaf and are for insertion into the Handbooks already issued.

### ***Amendment Notice***

An Amendment Notice is enclosed to reflect the affect of the changes on the Handbooks due to the changes to the above mentioned legislation. The Amendment Notice applies to all **THREE examinations** (Leading Firefighter, Sub-Officer and Station Officer) and brigades are asked to update their Handbooks to reflect these changes.

It will be for the brigades to make the information available to potential candidates. As with previous Board publications, brigades may photocopy the pages if they so wish.

Circulation will also be made on the Board's web site [www.fseb.gov.uk](http://www.fseb.gov.uk)

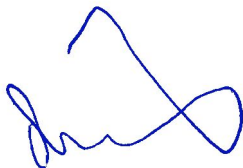
For the Leading Firefighters' and Sub-Officers' re-sit examinations in March 2005 a copy of the Amendment Notice will also be forwarded with the candidates' Examination Notice.

Changes in legislation and to the Discipline Regulations have required the removal of three Study Notes from the 2005 **Station Officers examination**.

There will be a need to issue a further Amendment Notice for the **Station Officers** re-sit examinations reflecting the changes to the Study Notes as a result of further legislative changes. This will be issued in early March, directly after the February 2005 examination, together with amended pages to the Handbook for Section 2 – Syllabus and Bibliography.

If you have any queries on the content of the amendments or over their distribution, please do not hesitate to call me direct.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'D J Stanley', with a stylized, looped flourish at the end.

D J Stanley  
SECRETARY