



### Type 1 Firefighter (Crew Leader/Experienced Firefighter)

- **Role:** Leads fire crews and supervises complex fire suppression activities.
- **General Requirements:**
  - Extensive experience as a Type 2 firefighter.
  - Leadership training and experience.
  - Advanced wildfire and incident management certifications.
  - Valid Standard First Aid and CPR certifications.
  - Physical fitness meeting or exceeding Type 2 standards.
  - Valid driver's license, often including air brake certification.

### Type 2 Firefighter (Crew Member/General Firefighter)

- **Role:** Engaged in active fire suppression, using tools, equipment, and tactics under supervision.
- **General Requirements:**
  - Completion of basic wildfire training courses (e.g., S-100 Basic Fire Suppression and Safety, S-185 Fire Entrapment Avoidance, and shelter deployment).
  - Valid Standard First Aid and CPR certifications.
  - Physical fitness assessment (often a Work Capacity Test like the Pack Test or equivalent).
  - Availability for seasonal work and willingness to work in remote locations.
  - High school diploma or equivalent is preferred but not mandatory in many regions.

### Type 3 Firefighter (Entry-Level/Support Firefighter)

- **Role:** Provides logistical support and assists with lower-risk tasks.
- **General Requirements:**
  - Basic safety training (e.g., S-100 Basic Fire Suppression and Safety).
  - Physical fitness suitable for lighter duties.
  - Strong work ethic and ability to follow instructions.
  - Often no prior firefighting experience is required.



## Provincial Requirements Overview

### Alberta

- **Type 1 Firefighters:** Employed by Alberta Wildfire, responsible for initial attack and complex wildfire suppression tasks.
  - **Training:** Completion of the "Wildland Firefighter Training Course" (offered by Alberta Wildfire).
  - **Fitness Test:** Pass the WFX-FIT physical fitness test.
  - **Certifications:** Standard First Aid with CPR and WHMIS (Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System).
  - **Additional Requirements:** Must hold a valid driver's license and meet age requirements (usually 18+).
- **Type 2 and 3 Firefighters:** Usually hired by contractors who provide support to Alberta Wildfire.
  - Requirements may include basic firefighting certifications (S-100/S-185), WHMIS, and physical fitness standards.

### Saskatchewan

- **Type 1 Firefighters:** Hired directly by the Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency (SPSA).
  - **Training:** Completion of the SPSA Wildland Firefighter Training Program (equivalent to S-100 and S-185).
  - **Fitness Test:** Must pass a fitness test (e.g., pack test or WFX-FIT).
  - **Certifications:** Standard First Aid and WHMIS.
  - **Additional Requirements:** Must be 18 or older, eligible to work in Canada, and hold a valid driver's license.
- **Type 2 and 3 Firefighters:** Often contracted and require basic training (S-100, S-185), fitness standards, and first aid certification.

### Manitoba

- **Type 1 Firefighters:** Referred to as "Initial Attack Firefighters," employed by Manitoba Wildfire Service.
  - **Training:** Wildfire Firefighting Course (including S-100 and S-185).



- **Fitness Test:** Completion of the pack test (walking 4.83 km in 45 minutes carrying 20.5 kg).
  - **Certifications:** First Aid and WHMIS.
  - **Additional Requirements:** Must be 18+ and hold a valid driver's license.
- **Type 2 and 3 Firefighters:** Typically hired for extended attack support and require similar training and fitness levels.

## Quebec

- **Type 1 Firefighters:** Managed by the Société de protection des forêts contre le feu (SOPFEU).
  - **Training:** Specialized training provided by SOPFEU.
  - **Fitness Test:** Rigorous physical fitness test.
  - **Certifications:** First Aid and WHMIS.
  - **Language Requirement:** Fluency in French is typically required.
  - **Additional Requirements:** Must meet the legal working age in Quebec (18+) and possess a valid driver's license.
- **Type 2 and 3 Firefighters:** Often sourced from private contractors; requirements may vary but typically include basic fire suppression training and physical fitness.

## New Brunswick

- **Type 1 Firefighters:** Employed by the New Brunswick Department of Natural Resources and Energy Development.
  - **Training:** Wildland fire suppression courses such as S-100 and S-185.
  - **Fitness Test:** Completion of a physical fitness assessment (e.g., pack test or similar).
  - **Certifications:** Standard First Aid and WHMIS.
  - **Additional Requirements:** Must hold a valid driver's license.
- **Type 2 and 3 Firefighters:** Typically contracted; requirements include basic training, fitness, and first aid certification.



## Nova Scotia

- **Type 1 Firefighters:** Hired by Nova Scotia Department of Natural Resources and Renewables.
  - **Training:** Fire suppression training courses offered by the department.
  - **Fitness Test:** Physical fitness test requirements vary.
  - **Certifications:** First Aid and WHMIS.
  - **Additional Requirements:** Must be 18+ and hold a valid driver's license.
- **Type 2 and 3 Firefighters:** Contractors may provide additional staff for extended attack or mop-up operations.

## Prince Edward Island

- **Type 1 Firefighters:** PEI's smaller scale wildland firefighting needs are typically managed by provincial forestry workers and contractors.
  - **Training:** Basic wildfire suppression training.
  - **Fitness:** General good health and fitness; specific testing may not always be required.
  - **Certifications:** First Aid and WHMIS.
- **Type 2 and 3 Firefighters:** Contracted as needed; requirements may include basic training and fitness.

## Newfoundland and Labrador

- **Type 1 Firefighters:** Managed by the Forestry and Agrifoods Agency.
  - **Training:** Basic firefighting courses equivalent to S-100 and S-185.
  - **Fitness Test:** May include fitness evaluations or pack tests.
  - **Certifications:** First Aid and WHMIS.
  - **Additional Requirements:** Must hold a valid driver's license.
- **Type 2 and 3 Firefighters:** Typically involve extended attack support through contractors with similar basic training requirements.