# ONLINE 'WRITTEN' TEST INSTRUCTIONS

NEW LONDON FIRE LIEUTENANT'S EXAM TUESDAY NOV 5, 2024 9:00 am

**Board of Education, Superintendent's Office** 

134 Williams St, New London







#### Welcome to the Test

- Welcome to the New London Fire Dept Lieutenant's Written Exam being held on Nov, 5 2024
- Today is the Online 'Written' exam.
- Please follow the instructions on the following slides.
- You can read and review until you are comfortable and ready to start.
- Please ask the Proctors if you have any remaining questions.
- The Overview of the Test follows





#### **About the Test**

 There are 100 Multiple Choice Questions that are grouped by reading material into four (4) sections.

IFSTA Hazardous Materials for First Responders 6th (25 questions) Step up and Lead (19 questions)

Fire Department Incident Safety Officer, 3rd Ed by Jones & Bartlett (31 questions)

Fire Officer Principles and Practice 4th Ed. (25 questions)

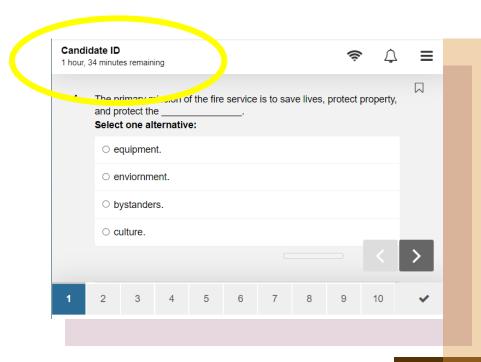
 Questions are delivered randomly within the section, and the answers are also in random order.

Bottom line – the question being answered by the person next to you will be different – so don't bother looking.



#### **Time to Complete**

- You have 2 hours to complete the exam.
- The clock starts when you begin the exam.
- A Timer in the upper left corner of the page lets you know how much time is remaining





# **Scoring & Results**

- Scoring is done by the computer for the written test after you press 'Submit'.
- Your score will be provided to the designated personnel for your department.
- You will be notified by the designated staff when scores are available.







Part 2 – Rules & Security



# **Login Credentials**

- You should have received your login credentials from the proctor when your candidate verification has been verified.
- If you do not have your login like the picture on the slide, please see one of the proctors immediately.
- Verify that the e-mail address is yours!
- Do NOT USE the credentials on this slide!
   They are for demonstration only.

Email: sbfd@gmail.com

Username: 99358064

Password: y7vd



#### On your desk – What's allowed?

- When you arrived at the test, you should have received a paper with your login credentials, blank sheets of paper, and a pen.
- Your testing station is comprised of a laptop, mouse & mousepad.
- Water or beverages in closed containers
- That's it!
- Once you have finished the exam, you must return the paper and any other handout materials (if any) to the Proctor(s) – the pen is yours.





#### What's NOT allowed?

- No smoking
- No cellphones or other electronic devices unless cleared 'in writing' with the proctors
- No cameras
- Nothing in your lap
- No bags, briefcases, or other containers
- You will not be permitted to leave the testing area without permission once the examination begins.







# On your computer | What's allowed?

- Using the testing workstation as-is no changes are allowed!
- You can view this instructional PowerPoint
- You can click on the link to the Practice Test & Take it
- You can click on the link to the Test
- You can take the test
- That's it



# On your computer | What's NOT allowed?

- Browsing the internet
- Opening a second browser window or new tab
- No email
- Changing computer settings
- Opening any other programs
- Connecting any device to the laptop computer



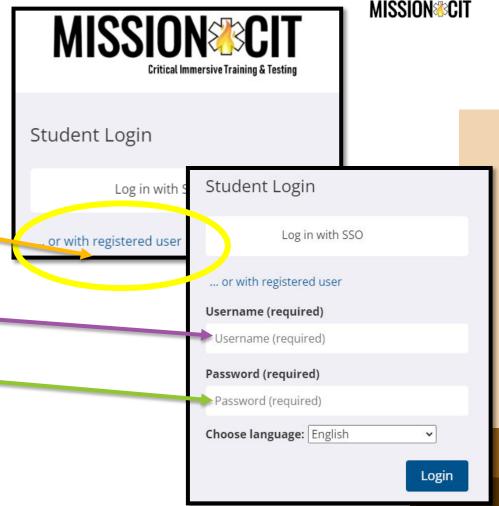


Part 3 – Logging into the Test





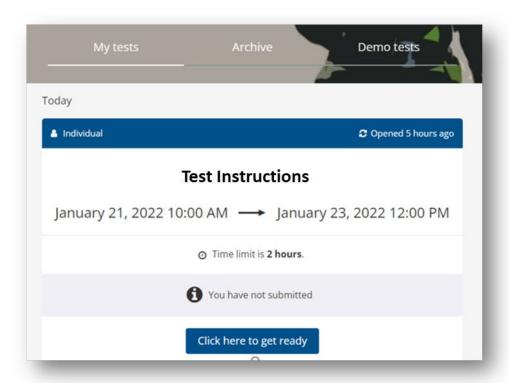
- Once you complete this PowerPoint, you will be directed to press a link that takes you to the test.
- Once there:
  - Press ...or with registered user
  - Then the full login appears
  - Enter your Username an eight (8)
     number code
  - Enter your Password a four (4)
     character code that is case
     sensitive
  - □ Then press <mark>'Login'</mark>





#### After you Login | First Screen

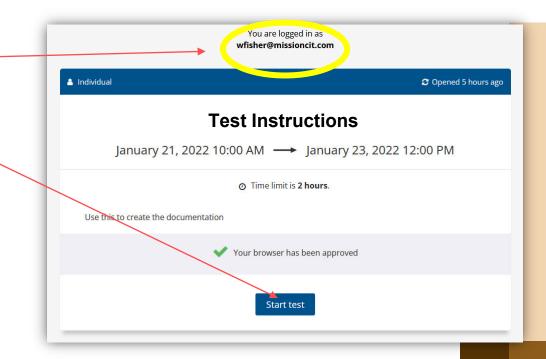
- First Screen you will see this screen
- Press 'Click here to get ready'
- This checks your browser and takes you to the next screen





#### **After you Login | Second Screen**

- Make sure your email address or name is at the top of the screen
- When ready, press 'Start test'
- This will bring you to the first question







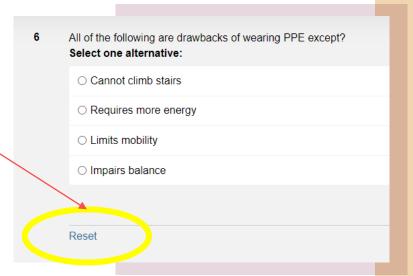
Part 4 – Test Instructions



# Once in the test | On the question pages

#### You can:

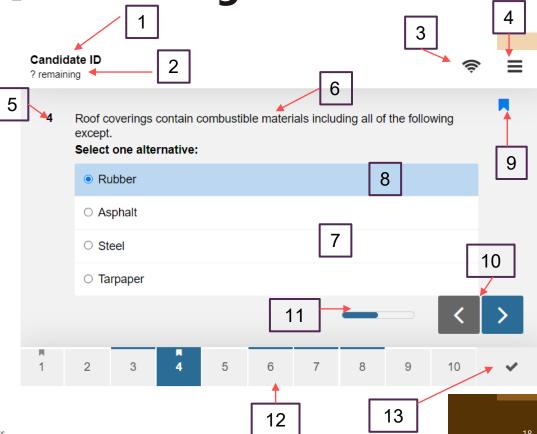
- Answer a question and go to the next one
- Skip a question and come back later
- Reset a question removes the answer and leaves the question unanswered
- 'FLAG' a question to come back and review later – answered or unanswered
- Go to a summary page showing status of answered, unanswered and flagged pages
- Navigate to a specific question using the navigation bar at the bottom





**Elements on the Question Page** 

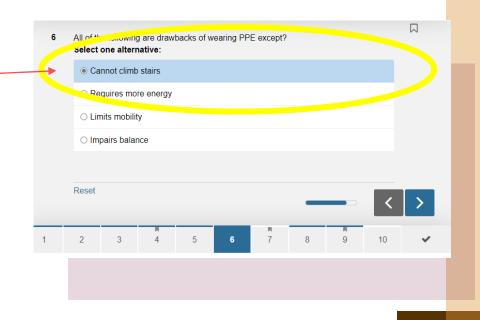
- 1. Candidate ID should be yours!
- 2. ? Remaining time remaining on test
- 3. Shows you have an internet connection
- Options menu you can change the font size if you like
- Question Number
- 6. The question
- 7. The available answers
- 8. The answer you chose (blue)
- 9. Flag
- 10. Arrows to go forward or back a question
- 11. Progress bar on % answered questions
- 12. Navigation bar showing questions answered, unanswered and flagged
- Checkmark takes you to summary page showing answered, unanswered, flagged questions





#### **Answering a Question**

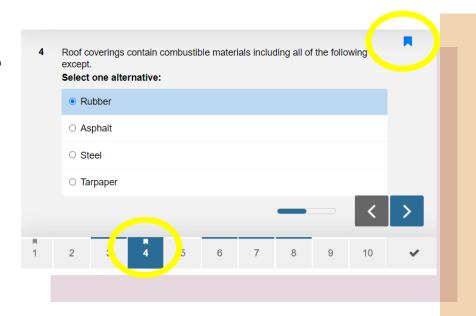
- Simply click on the answer you want
- It will turn blue
- You can press reset to clear the answer
- Pressing on another answer selects that answer
- There is only one answer allowed per question for multiple-choice questions





# Flagging a question

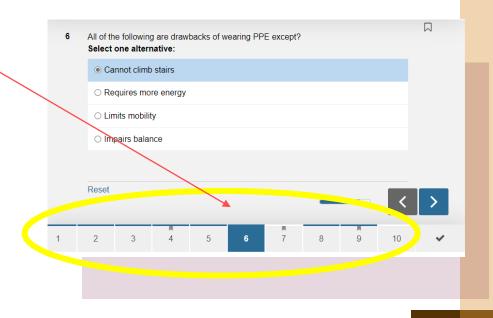
- You may want to review a question later after you have gone through the test – and before submitting your answers.
- To flag a question, click on the 'flag symbol' in the upper righthand corner.
- You can still answer the question and move on.
- Notice that the question is marked as flagged in the navigation bar.





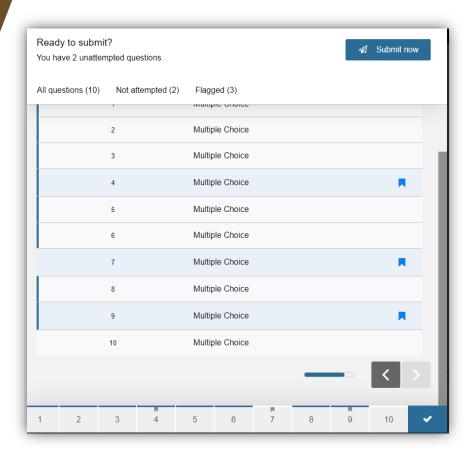
#### **Navigation Bar**

- The Navigation Bar is at the bottom of the question. You can:
- Jump to any question
- See if a question is answered, unanswered or flagged as follows:
  - Answered horizontal blue bar at the top
  - Unanswered White bar
  - Flagged the flag is blue
- The Check Mark takes you to the summary screen where you can submit your answers





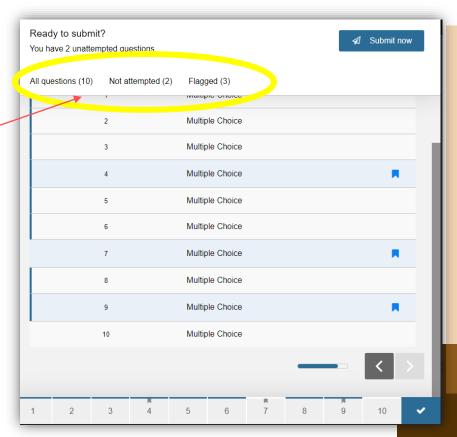
Part 5 – Review your answers, unanswered and flagged questions | **Complete the** test





# **Before Submitting your Answers**

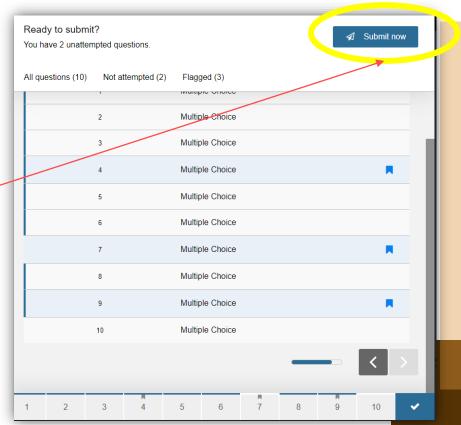
- Press the ✓ on the navigation bar this brings you to a summary page
- Here you can navigate to questions that you want to review or may be unanswered
- To see a set of questions, you can click on
  - All Questions
  - Not Attempted or
  - Flagged
- Note: there is no penalty for an incorrect answer – so do your best.



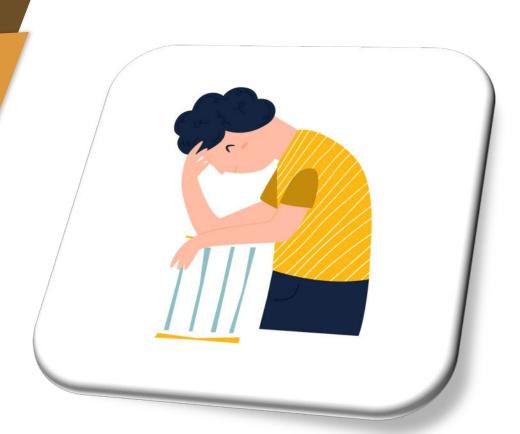


#### **Completing the Test – Press Submit Now**

- Once you are satisfied with your answers you are ready to complete the test.
- Press the ✓ on the navigation bar this brings you to a summary page
- You can press the ✓ on the navigation bar as often as you like to see the summary page.
- When you are absolutely sure –
   there is no going back then Press
   Submit Now







Part 6 – Stuff happens – now what?



#### **Technical Difficulties**

- Technology Breaks
  - ¬ No worries we have spare laptops, mice, and power supplies. Even if you need a new laptop, you will be able to continue where you left off
- Power fails
  - → No worries laptops have an 11-hour battery far longer than the test.
- No Internet
  - No worries we have a hot spot and if that doesn't work, we can download your test to a flash drive and submit it when the internet returns



#### **User Difficulties**

- I pressed submit before I was ready
  - $\rightarrow$  No worries the proctor can reopen your test
- I am lost can't figure out how to work the computer or the software
  - → No worries let a proctor know and we will help you become comfortable
- I am ill or have a personal emergency and can't continue
  - → No worries we can provide an alternate test at another time – if permitted by the rules



# **Security Violation**

- I pulled out my cell phone it's a habit but I didn't look
  - No worries give your cell phone to the proctor
- I have to use the restroom
  - → No worries give all your electronics to the proctor we can pause your test (if permitted by the rules)
- However, any cheating violations are not tolerated and will result in dismissal from the test and a failed score
  - → So do not open another browser page, open your cell phone, answer a call, open another program, or bring out any unauthorized materials.
  - → If you have a special circumstance, the proctor(s) must be notified before the test starts





Part 7 – It all worked! What's next?



#### **Answers Submitted – What's Next?**

- Congratulations on completing the Exam!
- You will be notified of your results by your town or department
- Oral Exam is Wednesday Nov 6 2024
- Times to be determined
- You need a 70% on the written to advance to the oral
- Thanks for testing with MissionCIT