

WHAT TESTING SERVICE DOES UVU PROVIDE?

UVU is an approved host facility only for the CPAT.

Host services*:

- Facility access (classrooms, etc.)
- Use of props (including set-up and tear-down)

*Your department must be licensed and meet all test administration requirements (both IAFF AND ES Department)

HOW MUCH DOES UVU CHARGE FOR THE CPAT?

Candidates for the test pay online or agencies will bring a check payable to UVU:

- \$10 for Orientation & practice test
- \$30 for CPAT
- \$240 per day minimum

HOW DO I SCHEDULE A TEST?

As a host facility, UVU does not sponsor the CPAT. Licensed agencies use our facility for the test as an employment tool. Candidates for employment take the CPAT at UVU when invited by the sponsoring agency. Fire departments interested in conducting a CPAT at UVU should contact us within 10 days of test:

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WHAT IS THE CANDIDATE PHYSICAL ABILITY TEST?

The CPAT was developed jointly by the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF), and International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC). According to the CPAT implementation manual:

“The purpose of the resulting Candidate Physical Ability Test Initiative was to develop, validate and assist fire departments with the implementation of a Candidate Physical Ability Test (CPAT) that would enable them to hire inherently physically capable fire fighters.”

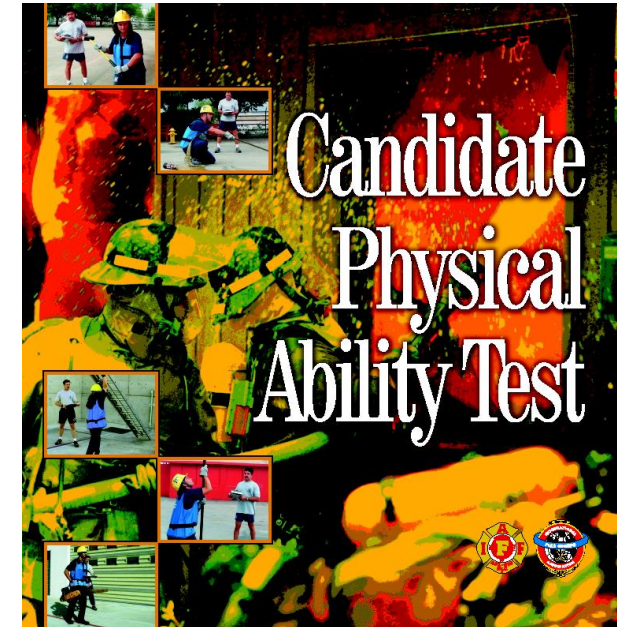
The CPAT is the most common firefighter candidate physical ability test in the nation. The test provides a validated, defensible, and acceptable measurement of a candidate’s ability to perform typical fireground tasks.

WHAT ARE THE TEST EVENTS?

The CPAT includes eight sequential events as follows:

- Stair Climb
- Hose Drag
- Equipment Carry
- Ladder Raise and Extension
- Forcible Entry
- Search
- Rescue
- Ceiling Breach and Pull

The test must be completed in less than ten minutes and twenty seconds within the established guidelines.



FOR FIRE DEPARTMENTS INTERESTED IN CONDUCTING THE *CPAT*

DOES MY DEPARTMENT NEED TO BE LICENSED?

Yes! Departments that implement the CPAT must receive a “license” through the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF).

IS THE EMERGENCY SERVICES DEPARTMENT AT UTAH VALLEY UNIVERSITY LICENSED TO ADMINISTER THE CPAT?

No. UVU is an approved host facility only.

The licensed agency is responsible for complete management of the CPAT program for their department, including a transportability study, recruitment and mentoring of candidates, and establishing pre-hire selection criteria.

WHAT DO I RECEIVE WHEN I PASS THE CPAT?

The licensing agency will issue certificates of completion.

HOW LONG IS A CANDIDATE’S CERTIFICATE GOOD FOR?

The licensed department decides how far back they will accept a candidate’s certificate.

The actual certificate indicates when the certificate is granted and does not specify an expiration date.

In addition, the certificate indicates the candidate has passed the test in less than ten minutes and twenty seconds within the established guidelines. A specific test time is not reported.

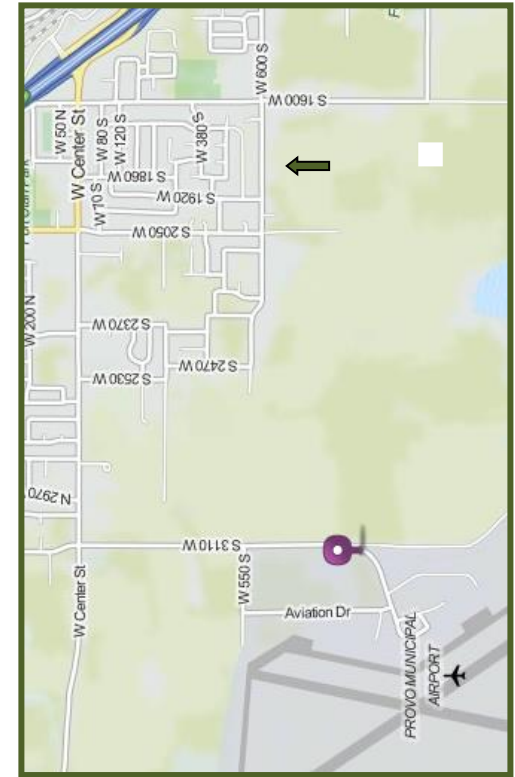
DOES THE RECRUIT CANDIDATE ACADEMY AT UVU REQUIRE THE CPAT TEST AS A PREREQUISITE?

No. The Recruit Candidate Academy (RCA) at UVU does not require the completion of the CPAT for entrance into the program.

The UVU RCA uses a modified DOD Physical Fitness Test to assess the physical conditioning and readiness of a recruit seeking firefighter training. Minimum standards must be met for the recruit to begin training.



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