The testing website is as follows: [http://testing.firestop.org/](http://testing.firestop.org/)

You must first take the practice test. You are welcome to take the practice test more than once, if you like.

When you pass the practice test, you will see the following message, or a similar message if you fail:

**Congratulations, you have passed the Firestop 3rd Party Inspector practice test.**

You are encouraged to take the certification test. Cost of the certification test is $500, which will be collected online via credit card or PayPal account. The test fee will be collected at the time when you are about to start the test.

**Online proctoring of your certification test-taking session**

To take the 2-hr certification test, you are required to have supervision by an online proctor, via your computer’s web camera and microphone (optional). The proctor will verify your ID prior to starting the test, and will also monitor your test-taking environment during the test-taking session. The test is completely open-book (no limit on external resources), but you are not permitted to have any other person in your vicinity.

The proctoring service is provided by ProctorU.com. This proctoring service is paid for by the IPC. You will need to schedule your proctor ahead of time. Standard scheduling is for 72 hours or more ahead of time. You can have that scheduling expedited for a small fee ($5-8).

To schedule your proctored test session, go to: [http://proctoru.com/portal/firestop](http://proctoru.com/portal/firestop)

**Score**

PASS

11 points scored (or 100.0%) out of 11 maximum points

(a score of 80.0% or greater is needed to pass this test)
Note: You are not required to pass the practice test before moving on to the full 2-hr exam. The practice test is simply provided as an optional gauge of your readiness to take the full exam. Everyone must take the practice test at least once, before taking the exam. You will also need to re-take the practice exam before your 3-year renewal exam.

Taking the full exam

You will need to pre-schedule your test-taking session for the final test with an online proctor at ProctorU.com. As indicated in the instructions you receive after passing the practice test, the link to schedule a proctor is http://proctoru.com/portal/firestop

On the scheduled day and time of the full exam, log on to your test.com account, and select “Testing and Certificates” from either of the two buttons provided:

(Continue on next page)
When you click on “Testing and Certificates,” you will see this screen:

As circled above, you should choose the “IFC Firestop Inspector Test.”

The instructions that will be written there for the test are as follows:

This is a two hour test to verify competence in the “IFC recommended knowledge base for 3rd party firestop inspectors.” It is recommended that this test be attempted only after completing the IFC recommended self-study program (see www.firestop.org/inspection). Exam cost is $500. The self-study program is free.

If you fail this test, you may retake it for a $50 fee. You will only be allowed a maximum of three (3) attempts in all (first attempt, plus 2 retakes) Repeat attempts after the first one require the $50 fee.

If you have not passed after three attempts but you have a test score above 65%, you can request a 3rd party review of your test answers, to help guide you towards which specific items of the Reading List require the most additional study to help you pass. You will be invoiced $50 for the 3rd party exam questions review. The exam will be unlocked for a 4th attempt after this review is delivered to you. Note that you can also request this exam analysis after any of your exam attempts, even your first.

If you have not passed after three attempts and have a test score below 65%, experience has shown that a re-study of the online Reading List would be needed in order to achieve the test score increase needed. To allow the time needed for the re-study, the exam can be unlocked 2 weeks after the last test date. Please send a note to info@firestop.org to request the additional test retake.

Note that you can also request this exam analysis after any of your exam attempts, even your first.
If you have not passed after three attempts and have a test score below 65%, experience has shown that a re-study of the entire Reading List would be needed in order to achieve the test score increase needed. To allow the time needed for the re-study, the exam can be unlocked 2 weeks after the last test date. Please send a note to info@firestop.org to request the additional test retake.

**Online proctoring of your test-taking session**
To take this test, you are required to have an online proctor, via your computer's web camera. The proctor will verify your ID prior to starting the test, and will also monitor your test-taking environment during the test-taking session. The test is completely open-book (no limit on external resources), but you are not permitted to have any other person in your vicinity. The proctoring service is provided by ProctorU.com. This proctoring service is paid for by the IFC. You will need to schedule your proctor ahead of time. Standard scheduling is for 72 hours or more ahead of time. You can have that scheduling expedited for a small fee ($5-15).

**To schedule your proctored test session, go to:**  [http://proctoru.com/portal/firestop](http://proctoru.com/portal/firestop).

During the exam session, the proctor must be online with you at all times, right until the end, for the exam result to be honored by the IFC. Note that you must click "Save and finish", which submits the completed exam for scoring, PRIOR to disconnecting from the proctor. Any passing exam result obtained from an exam session where the proctor was not online at the time of exam completion and submittal is likely to NOT be accepted by the IFC. Depending on a review of the ProctorU audio/video transcript of the exam session where the proctor was disconnected prior to exam submittal, the IFC also reserves the right to discontinue future exam access to the test-taker who worked on the exam without a Proctor present online for the entire test duration.

**Questions**  86 (number of questions)
**Time**  120 (minutes)
**Limit**

**Connecting with your Proctor:**

You should then follow the link to ProctorU: [https://www.proctoru.com/portal/firestop](https://www.proctoru.com/portal/firestop) to sign-on with you scheduled Proctor. You can get your proctor online with you before or after you log on to your testing account. If you have not already done so, log on to your ProctorU.com account now, and get your Proctor online with you. Your Proctor will do some verifications, and when he/she is satisfied with the conditions in your room and with the software running on your PC, he/she will unlock the exam session. You will then see the following screen:
Your Proctor will then sign-in using their code in the following screen:

![Proctor Required]

You cannot continue. This test is configured to require a proctor to be present while this test is being taken.

The proctor is required to enter their login and password in the following fields to satisfy the necessary validation requirements for you to continue.

Proctor Login Code: 

Proctor Password: 

![Proctor Validation Required]

NOTE TO THE PROCTOR: Enter your login and password in the following fields and press the Proctor Validation button to satisfy the necessary validation requirements for this test taker to continue, or use the back button to cancel.

![Proctor Validation]

After your Proctor is signed-in you will see the following screen:

![Start - Test]

Proctor validation successful.

Test

Name: IFC Firestop Inspector Test

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+ some additional instructions.

Scroll to the bottom of the page to pay for the exam, where you will see the following:

![Do You Have an Access Code?]

Do you have an access code? Enter the code and press the validate code button to continue. If entering a code, you must validate the code before continuing with your purchase.

Access Code: 

Validate Code: 

Purchase Test

You can purchase this test by following the instructions below, or use the back button to cancel.

Instructions: To purchase this test, click on the PayPal button below to be routed to the PayPal website. At that time you can select to pay for this test using payment information you may have already stored in the PayPal system. If you have never used PayPal, that’s fine. PayPal lets you pay for items, such as this test, using your credit card (or any other PayPal certified payment types). PayPal is fast, safe and secure.

Once you have paid for this test and when you return to this application you will be allowed to take this test. You can return at anytime.

Cost: $50.00 (US Dollars) Retake Charge:

![PayPal Check out]

The safer, easier way to pay
If your company has pre-paid for a large number of tests, then you will be given an Access Code from the person at your company who made that payment and has instructed you to take the exam. If your test has not been pre-paid as part of a group purchase, click on “PayPal checkout.” You will be re-directed to a PayPal payment page to make the payment.

After you pay for the test at the PayPal checkout page, you will be automatically re-directed to a page at test.com where you will be asked to provide an attestation that you are who you claim to be (although the Proctor has already verified that), and that you have not been involved in cheating on this exam, such as by obtaining from someone else or providing to someone else some exam questions.

After reading the attestation that you are making, and assuming that you can “Confirm” that the attestation is true, click on Continue. At the bottom of the next screen that you will be shown, you will see the button that starts the 2-hour test timer.