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STUDY GUIDE



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Introduction

Preparing for a certification exam can feel overwhelming, but with the right tools, it becomes an opportunity to build confidence, sharpen your skills, and move one step closer to your goals. At Examzify, we believe that effective exam preparation isn't just about memorization, it's about understanding the material, identifying knowledge gaps, and building the test-taking strategies that lead to success.

This guide was designed to help you do exactly that.

Whether you're preparing for a licensing exam, professional certification, or entry-level qualification, this book offers structured practice to reinforce key concepts. You'll find a wide range of multiple-choice questions, each followed by clear explanations to help you understand not just the right answer, but why it's correct.

The content in this guide is based on real-world exam objectives and aligned with the types of questions and topics commonly found on official tests. It's ideal for learners who want to:

- Practice answering questions under realistic conditions,
- Improve accuracy and speed,
- Review explanations to strengthen weak areas, and
- Approach the exam with greater confidence.

We recommend using this book not as a stand-alone study tool, but alongside other resources like flashcards, textbooks, or hands-on training. For best results, we recommend working through each question, reflecting on the explanation provided, and revisiting the topics that challenge you most.

Remember: successful test preparation isn't about getting every question right the first time, it's about learning from your mistakes and improving over time. Stay focused, trust the process, and know that every page you turn brings you closer to success.

Let's begin.

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How to Use This Guide

This guide is designed to help you study more effectively and approach your exam with confidence. Whether you're reviewing for the first time or doing a final refresh, here's how to get the most out of your Examzify study guide:

1. Start with a Diagnostic Review

Skim through the questions to get a sense of what you know and what you need to focus on. Your goal is to identify knowledge gaps early.

2. Study in Short, Focused Sessions

Break your study time into manageable blocks (e.g. 30 – 45 minutes). Review a handful of questions, reflect on the explanations.

3. Learn from the Explanations

After answering a question, always read the explanation, even if you got it right. It reinforces key points, corrects misunderstandings, and teaches subtle distinctions between similar answers.

4. Track Your Progress

Use bookmarks or notes (if reading digitally) to mark difficult questions. Revisit these regularly and track improvements over time.

5. Simulate the Real Exam

Once you're comfortable, try taking a full set of questions without pausing. Set a timer and simulate test-day conditions to build confidence and time management skills.

6. Repeat and Review

Don't just study once, repetition builds retention. Re-attempt questions after a few days and revisit explanations to reinforce learning. Pair this guide with other Examzify tools like flashcards, and digital practice tests to strengthen your preparation across formats.

There's no single right way to study, but consistent, thoughtful effort always wins. Use this guide flexibly, adapt the tips above to fit your pace and learning style. You've got this!

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Questions

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1. Which signal corresponds to 'Armed and dangerous'?

A. Signal 5

B. Signal 1

C. 10-99

D. 10-80

2. Code 10-24 indicates what status?

A. Assignment complete

B. Emergency response

C. Vehicle registration check

D. Meet at a designated location

3. Which code corresponds to 'Pickup your partner'?

A. 10-87

B. 10-80

C. 10-83

D. Signal 4

4. Which code indicates tower light burned out?

A. 10-50 Send ambulance (employee involved)

B. 10-55 Body recovered

C. 10-60 Tower light burned out

D. 10-77 No contact at all

5. Which code corresponds to burglary in progress?

A. Code 24

B. Code 10

C. Code 5

D. Code 7

6. Code 10-43 is used to arrange a meeting at a designated location. What is the correct action described by this code?

A. Meet at a location

B. Vehicle registration check

C. No rush

D. Emergency response

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7. Which code indicates that an ambulance should be sent because an employee is involved in an incident?

A. 10-50 Send ambulance (employee involved)

B. 10-55 Body recovered

C. 10-60 Tower light burned out

D. 10-66 Clear for cancellation

8. During a traffic incident, a supervisor is required; which code should be used?

A. 10-53

B. 10-52

C. 10-65

D. 10-51

9. Which county borders Sedgwick County on the 119th Street South line?

A. Butler

B. Harvey

C. Sumner

D. Reno

10. Which code means 'tower light burned out'?

A. 10-98 Riot or mass disturbance

B. 10-66 Clear for cancellation

C. 10-60 Tower light burned out

D. 10-81 Call ____

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Answers

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1. B
2. A
3. B
4. C
5. A
6. A
7. A
8. D
9. C
10. C

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Explanations

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1. Which signal corresponds to 'Armed and dangerous'?

A. Signal 5

B. Signal 1

C. 10-99

D. 10-80

In this signaling system, high-priority danger is conveyed quickly through a dedicated code. Armed and dangerous is marked by Signal 1, so broadcasting this signal immediately tells all units and the dispatcher that an officer or the public may be at risk from a weapon-wielding suspect. The response is to treat the scene with maximum caution: call for backup, establish a perimeter, and coordinate a careful, controlled approach to contain the threat. The other signals represent different situations and do not communicate the same immediate danger. They don't convey the specific armed and dangerous status, so they aren't the appropriate designation for that scenario.

2. Code 10-24 indicates what status?

A. Assignment complete

B. Emergency response

C. Vehicle registration check

D. Meet at a designated location

Radio status codes let officers convey on-scene updates quickly. Code 10-24 signals that the current assignment has been completed and the officer is available for another task or back on patrol. It tells dispatch, in a concise way, that no further action is required on that specific call and the unit can be released or reassigned. For example, after finishing a traffic stop or a welfare check, saying 10-24 informs the desk you're done with that assignment. The other possibilities describe an ongoing action (an emergency response), a specific task (like a vehicle registration check), or an instruction to meet somewhere—none of which convey that the task is finished.

3. Which code corresponds to 'Pickup your partner'?

A. 10-87

B. 10-80

C. 10-83

D. Signal 4

Using radio codes to coordinate actions between units is the big idea here. The code 10-80 is the specific signal for coordinating the pickup of your partner, giving a clear, concise instruction that allows units to regroup or link up without lengthy radio chatter. This precision helps ensure the right partner is gathered promptly and without confusion. Other codes refer to different tasks or statuses, so they don't convey the same exact action of arranging a partner pickup.

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4. Which code indicates tower light burned out?

A. 10-50 Send ambulance (employee involved)

B. 10-55 Body recovered

C. 10-60 Tower light burned out

D. 10-77 No contact at all

Codes used on patrol radios map to specific situations. A maintenance issue like a tower light that has burned out is a non-emergency problem that should be reported as a facilities or equipment fault rather than an urgent medical or contact-related incident. The choice that states "Tower light burned out" communicates that exact maintenance issue clearly and directly, so it's the best fit. The other options describe medical responses, a body recovered, or a loss of radio contact—situations that require different responses and don't indicate a simple equipment fault. In short, reporting the specific maintenance problem with the tower light ensures the right team handles it promptly.

5. Which code corresponds to burglary in progress?

A. Code 24

B. Code 10

C. Code 5

D. Code 7

Understanding radio codes: recognizing which code maps to a burglar in progress is about knowing how your agency classifies urgent incidents. Burglary in progress means a suspect is actively inside or attempting entry, so responders are dispatched immediately with priority. In this code system, that urgent situation is designated by the numeric code 24, signaling you should respond quickly and coordinate with units on scene and possibly concealment or cover if needed. Because codes vary by agency, this exact mapping helps you interpret the dispatch correctly and act with the right level of urgency. Other numbers in the set correspond to different call types or statuses, so they wouldn't indicate burglary in progress. Rely on your agency's code sheet to memorize the exact mappings for your area.

6. Code 10-43 is used to arrange a meeting at a designated location. What is the correct action described by this code?

A. Meet at a location

B. Vehicle registration check

C. No rush

D. Emergency response

You're being tested on how radio codes convey specific actions quickly. This code tells officers to gather at a predetermined place, meaning you should meet at a location that's been designated. It's about coordinating a face-to-face meeting rather than initiating a traffic stop or checking records, and it isn't an instruction to move without urgency or to respond to an emergency. So the action described is to meet at a location.

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7. Which code indicates that an ambulance should be sent because an employee is involved in an incident?

A. 10-50 Send ambulance (employee involved)

B. 10-55 Body recovered

C. 10-60 Tower light burned out

D. 10-66 Clear for cancellation

The main idea here is recognizing which radio instruction prompts medical help specifically for a staff member involved in an incident. The correct line is the one that explicitly says to send an ambulance because an employee is involved. That phrasing signals EMS to respond for potential injuries to personnel. The other options refer to a different situation (body recovered), a maintenance issue (tower light burned out), or cancellation of a prior action, none of which require ambulance transport for personnel. So the line that directly requests medical transport for an employee involved is the best choice.

8. During a traffic incident, a supervisor is required; which code should be used?

A. 10-53

B. 10-52

C. 10-65

D. 10-51

When a supervisor is needed at an incident, sending a clear, standard radio code to request supervisory presence is crucial for fast, coordinated response. The code that signals this need is 10-51, which directly communicates to dispatch and on-scene units that a supervisor should be assigned to the traffic incident. This helps ensure proper command, safety, and decision-making at the scene. The other codes refer to different on-scene needs and do not specifically request a supervisor, so they aren't appropriate for this situation.

9. Which county borders Sedgwick County on the 119th Street South line?

A. Butler

B. Harvey

C. Sumner

D. Reno

The line labeled 119th Street South marks Sedgwick County's southern boundary. Directly south of that line sits Sumner County, so it borders Sedgwick on that line. The other neighboring counties sit along different edges (Butler to the east, Reno to the west, Harvey to the north) and do not touch Sedgwick along 119th Street South. So Sumner is the county that borders Sedgwick on that line.

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10. Which code means 'tower light burned out'?

A. 10-98 Riot or mass disturbance

B. 10-66 Clear for cancellation

C. 10-60 Tower light burned out

D. 10-81 Call ____

In these radio codes, each number stands for a specific type of report, so crews can communicate quickly and consistently. The phrase "tower light burned out" maps directly to the code that exactly names that issue. That makes it the best fit because it communicates a maintenance problem—tower lights out—rather than an active incident or administrative action. The other codes point to different situations: a riot or mass disturbance, a cancellation, or a generic call, none of which describe a tower light issue. So the code for "tower light burned out" is the one corresponding to 10-60.

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Next Steps

Congratulations on reaching the final section of this guide. You've taken a meaningful step toward passing your certification exam and advancing your career.

As you continue preparing, remember that consistent practice, review, and self-reflection are key to success. Make time to revisit difficult topics, simulate exam conditions, and track your progress along the way.

If you need help, have suggestions, or want to share feedback, we'd love to hear from you. Reach out to our team at hello@examzify.com.

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We wish you the very best on your exam journey. You've got this!

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