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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.

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!

Questions

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1. Which code is used for a fatality report?

- A. 10-40
- B. 10-30
- C. 10-36
- D. 10-44

2. What does code 10-86 indicate?

- A. 10-50 Send ambulance (employee involved)
- B. 10-55 Body recovered
- C. Advise correct time
- D. 10-89 terminate medical patch

3. Which signal indicates confirmation on mapping number?

- A. Confirmation on mapping number
- B. Incident number
- C. Not wanted
- D. Communicable Disease Present

4. Which code indicates the deputy needs a traffic investigator?

- A. 10-59
- B. 10-52
- C. 10-65
- D. 10-47

5. Starting from the center, what is the first northern numerical street and its name?

- A. 2nd N/Central
- B. 6th N/Central
- C. 4th N/Central
- D. 8th N/Central

6. Starting from the center, what is the first southern numerical street and its name?

- A. 6th S/Maple
- B. 4th S/Birch
- C. 2nd S/Maple
- D. 8th S/Maple

7. What does Signal 12 signify?

- A. Wanted
- B. Habitual Offender
- C. Violent Offender
- D. Communicable Disease Present

8. Which code corresponds to the directive 'Call ____'?

- A. 10-89 terminate medical patch
- B. 10-81 Call ____
- C. 10-98 Riot or mass disturbance
- D. 10-55 Body recovered

9. First northern numerical street and name?

- A. 4th N/Central
- B. 2nd N/Central
- C. 6th N/Central
- D. 8th N/Central

10. Code 10-34 is used for which situation?

- A. Vehicle chase
- B. Fatality report
- C. Trouble at ____ unit
- D. Investigate unoccupied vehicle

Answers

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

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Explanations

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1. Which code is used for a fatality report?

- A. 10-40**
- B. 10-30
- C. 10-36
- D. 10-44

Ten-codes for on-scene status are designed to convey critical information quickly. For a fatality, the code used is 10-40, which tells dispatch and responding units that a death has occurred and that a coroner, investigators, and proper scene security are needed. This keeps messages concise and ensures the right resources are mobilized promptly. The other options refer to different situations and wouldn't communicate a fatality, so they don't fit the purpose of reporting a death on scene.

2. What does code 10-86 indicate?

- A. 10-50 Send ambulance (employee involved)
- B. 10-55 Body recovered
- C. Advise correct time**
- D. 10-89 terminate medical patch

Ten-codes are shorthand used on radios to convey common actions quickly. The code in question is specifically used to request or confirm the exact current time. This matters because accurate timestamps are essential for incident timelines, evidence handling, and coordinating with other units or agencies. By using this code, you prompt everyone involved to synchronize clocks and report the precise time of events. Keep in mind that meanings can vary by agency, so always refer to your unit's code list.

3. Which signal indicates confirmation on mapping number?

- A. Confirmation on mapping number**
- B. Incident number
- C. Not wanted
- D. Communicable Disease Present

The main idea here is recognizing a verification signal that confirms a specific reference number. When you need assurance that the mapping number you're using is correct, the only signal that truly confirms it is the one that explicitly states "Confirmation on mapping number." This is because it flags that the mapping number has been checked and validated, leaving no ambiguity about which reference you're working with. The other signals point to different things: "Incident number" identifies a separate event, not the validation of the mapping reference; "Not wanted" reflects a status about a person or a case, not the mapping reference; and "Communicable Disease Present" conveys a health status unrelated to mapping verification. So the explicit confirmation on the mapping number is the correct signal because it directly communicates that the mapping number has been confirmed.

4. Which code indicates the deputy needs a traffic investigator?

- A. 10-59
- B. 10-52**
- C. 10-65
- D. 10-47

When a deputy needs a traffic investigator, the code sent to dispatch is the one that flags the requirement for specialized traffic investigation at the scene. This code signals that the incident requires in-depth examination of the crash, evidence, measurements, and scene reconstruction, not just a routine response. It ensures the right unit is dispatched promptly to conduct the traffic investigation and gather the necessary details for reporting and potential legal follow-up. The other codes point to different needs, such as medical transport, general assistance, or non-investigative responses, and don't indicate a request for a traffic investigator.

5. Starting from the center, what is the first northern numerical street and its name?

- A. 2nd N/Central
- B. 6th N/Central
- C. 4th N/Central**
- D. 8th N/Central

Reading a city grid to locate the first northbound numbered street along a named axis: start at the center and move north along the Central corridor. Streets that have numbers appear as you go away from the center, and the numbers increase as you head farther north. The first numbered street you encounter on this path is the 4th on the North Central axis, which is why the correct choice is 4th N/Central.

6. Starting from the center, what is the first southern numerical street and its name?

- A. 6th S/Maple**
- B. 4th S/Birch
- C. 2nd S/Maple
- D. 8th S/Maple

In this grid-style layout, street numbers rise as you move away from the center, and a suffix like South shows your direction from that central point. When you start at the center and go south, you encounter the numbered streets in order, with the cross streets (like Maple and Birch) intersecting them. In the map setup used here, the first intersection you reach with a numbered street on the southern side is with Maple, and that numbered street is the sixth one heading south. So the first southern numerical street you encounter is the sixth Street South, and its name at that crossing is Maple. That's why the correct pairing is 6th South with Maple.

7. What does Signal 12 signify?

- A. Wanted
- B. Habitual Offender
- C. Violent Offender
- D. Communicable Disease Present**

In patrol communications, signal codes are used to quickly convey the nature of a situation. Signal 12 signals that a communicable disease is present. This is the best answer because it communicates a health risk at the scene, prompting officers to take appropriate precautions (such as wearing personal protective equipment, maintaining distance, and coordinating with medical or public health resources) to prevent transmission and to follow any department protocols for handling sick or contagious individuals. The other options describe offender status or specific suspect types, which don't inform responders about a health hazard and thus aren't the correct signal for a disease presence.

8. Which code corresponds to the directive 'Call ____'?

- A. 10-89 terminate medical patch
- B. 10-81 Call ____**
- C. 10-98 Riot or mass disturbance
- D. 10-55 Body recovered

In this radio code system, the directive to initiate contact with someone is encoded as the specific instruction to "Call ____." The code that matches that directive is 10-81, because its purpose is to prompt an officer to place a call to a designated person or unit. That exact function—to initiate a call—is what makes 10-81 the best fit. The other codes correspond to different actions or situations: one relates to terminating a medical patch, another to riot or mass disturbance, and another to a body being recovered. Since they describe distinct actions rather than the act of making a call, they don't fit the directive as precisely as 10-81 does.

9. First northern numerical street and name?

- A. 4th N/Central**
- B. 2nd N/Central
- C. 6th N/Central
- D. 8th N/Central

In this street-grid system, streets run in numerical order as you move away from a central reference line labeled Central, with N indicating the north side. To identify the first northern numerical street, you travel north from Central and look for the first street that carries a numeric name. On the map used in this material, the first numeric street you encounter north of Central is the 4th street, so it's labeled as 4th N/Central. That's why this option is the best answer: it represents the nearest numbered street you reach when heading north from Central. The other choices correspond to streets that would be either closer to Central but not first (2nd N/Central) or farther north (6th or 8th N/Central), so they don't match the first numeric street you'd encounter.

10. Code 10-34 is used for which situation?

- A. Vehicle chase
- B. Fatality report
- C. Trouble at ____ unit
- D. Investigate unoccupied vehicle

Code 10-34 signals that the officer's unit is in trouble and needs immediate assistance. It's a quick way to alert dispatch and nearby units that backup is required right away at the current location. This makes it clear that the situation is an emergency for that unit, not a routine task. The blank in the traditional phrasing is understood as referring to this unit—"trouble at this unit"—so everyone knows exactly where help is needed. This is distinct from other codes that refer to pursuits, fatalities, or routine investigations, which describe different kinds of calls or tasks rather than an urgent request for backup. Keep in mind that codes can vary by agency, but the meaning that 10-34 is an officer in trouble needing assistance is a common and critical concept.

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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.

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

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