

# TIPS FOR IMPROVING FIRE SCENE PHOTOGRAPHS



#### CAMERA DIAL SETTING — MODE

M—Manual (User Sets Shutter and Aperture)

Auto — Camera Selects Shutter and Aperture

A — Aperture Priority (User Selects Aperture/Camera Selects Shutter)

S — Shutter Priority (User Selects Shutter/Camera Selects
Aperture)

P — Program (Camera Selects Exposure but User has More

Controls)



## ISO Setting—Light Sensitivity

Less Sensitive/Needs More Light				More Sensitive/Needs Less Lig			eeds Less Light
50	100	200	400	800	1600	3200	6400
Less Grain/Noise					More Grain/Noise		

#### **Cause of Under Exposure**

Not Enough Light on Sensor

#### **Possible Solution**

Slow Shutter Speed Lower Aperture Setting/Increase Opening Use Flash

# Adjusting Exposure







Correct exposure



Over exposure

#### Cause Of Over Exposure

Too Much Light on Sensor

#### **Possible Solution**

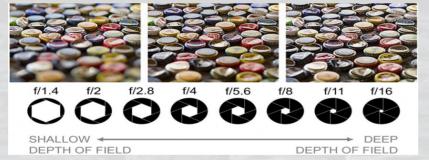
Speed Up Shutter Speed Increase Aperture Setting/Decrease Opening Reduce Flash

# Decrease Aperture Setting

Increase Light to Sensor
Primary Image in Focus
Background Blurry

**General View** 

# **Depth of Field**



### Increase Aperture Setting

Decrease Light to Sensor
Primary Image in Focus
More Area in Focus

### Documentation — Perspective

**Broad Overview of Area** 



More Specific View of Area



Specific View of Item/Area



**Specific View** 



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# Fire Scene Photography Job Aid

NFPA 1033—Job Performance Requirement
4.3—Documenting the Scene
4.3.2 Requisite Knowledge and Requisite Skill

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