



Ready, Set, Go! & ISO



The Fire Suppression Rating Schedule (FSRS) contains the criteria ISO uses in reviewing the fire prevention and fire suppression capabilities of individual communities or fire protection areas. The schedule measures the major elements of a community's fire protection system and develops a numerical grading called a Public Protection Classification (PPC™).

FSRS:

FSRS employs nationally accepted standards developed by such organizations as the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), the American Water Works Association (AWWA), and the Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials (APCO) International. The PPC program always provides a useful benchmark that helps fire departments and other public officials measure the effectiveness of their efforts and plan improvements.

The FSRS considers four main areas of a community's fire suppression system:

1. Emergency Communications
2. Fire Department
3. Water Supply

4. Community Risk Reduction (CRR)

RSG:

The **Ready, Set, Go! Program (RSG)**, managed by the International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC), seeks to develop and improve the dialogue between the fire service and the residents they serve. The program helps the fire service to reach individuals who live in high risk wildland fire areas how to best prepare themselves, their families, and their properties against outdoor fire threats. RSG is a program used by organizations and groups in an effort to achieve and maintain Fire Adapted Communities (FAC). FAC encourages individuals to acknowledge and prepare for wildland fire threats at the community level. A fire-adapted community requires minimal assistance from firefighters during the threat of a wildland fire as the community and its residents have accepted personal responsibility to seek out information and take action.



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Community Risk Reduction



CRR: The Community Risk Reduction section of the FSRs offers extra points to improve an ISO rating. The 'extra points' recognize communities that employ effective fire prevention practices, such as the Ready, Set, Go! Program. The RSG! Program can be implemented as a stand-alone program, or in conjunction with existing public preparedness education or Fire Adapted Communities programs to improve your overall FSRs score by providing *valuable information and free resources*. Upon joining the RSG! Program, you will receive a toolkit containing program guidance and resources. As a RSG member, your organization will also have online access to all of our resources. The resources are customizable and can help with the Community Risk Reduction section of the FSRs to help your department better meet ISO standards.

Fire Safety Education

- RSG National Action Guide in English and Spanish
- RSG Spanish Language Toolkit
- RSG Fire Adapted Communities Toolkit
- Go Kit Bags
- Preparedness Magnets
- Postcards/Door hangers
- Situational Specific Marketing Pieces
- Youth Coloring Book
- Access to the many resources on wildlandfireRSG.org



- Information to participate or develop a train-the-trainer program
- 30 to 60 second PSA's
- Guide on creating a Community Coalition
- Guides on how to become a Fire Adapted Community and help pre-mitigate against wildland fires
- Home assessments
- And many more documents about land and home preparation

The RSG! Program provides for active implementation and maintenance of community preparedness education and action. Becoming a RSG member can improve an ISO rating.

