Information Bulletin

Announcement and Guidance on Scheduling of the New Hazardous Materials Technician Curriculum

The New York State Office of Fire Prevention and Control (OFPC) announces the offering of our new Hazardous Materials Technician Curriculum. The new curriculum is made up of 5 modules that total 84 hours. The modules are as follows:

- **Hazardous Materials Technician Module 1: Primary Skills for the Hazardous Materials Responder** – 24 hours; Terminology, References, PPE, Decon
- **Hazardous Materials Technician Module 2: Interpreting the Hazardous Environment** – 12 hours; Chemistry, Detection and Monitoring Instrumentation, Sampling, WMD/Terrorism
- **Hazardous Materials Technician Module 3: Managing the Hazardous Materials Incident** – 8 hours; Risk based Analysis, ICS, Incident planning, Incident Termination, Container ID.

*(Please see our Course Catalog for full descriptions and prerequisite information @ [www.dhses.ny.gov/ofpc/training/index.cfm](http://www.dhses.ny.gov/ofpc/training/index.cfm)*

This curriculum will be offered regionally, coordinated through the Regional Haz Mat Partnerships (Targeted Grant Regions), and at the New York State Academy of Fire Science in Montour Falls, NY. Please contact the OFPC Special Operations Branch Deputy Chief for your region (see below) for more information on course scheduling. Individuals who wish to take the courses regionally must be affiliated/sponsored by agencies that perform specialized Hazardous Materials functions such as Decontamination, Evidence Collection, Bomb Squads and Hazardous Materials Response Teams. All modules offered at the NYS Academy of Fire Science are open to all interested individuals who meet the pre-requisites to attend.

For more information or to schedule a Hazardous Materials Technician Module for your region, please contact the Special Operations Branch Deputy Chief for your region of the state.

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