



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.
- **Hazardous Materials Technician Module 4: Advanced Skills for the Hazardous Materials Responder** – 24 hours; Plugging and Patching, Specialized Containment Kits, Special Considerations for Pressurized Containers, Drums, and Intermediate Bulk Containers.
- **Hazardous Materials Technician Module 5: Specialty Skills for the Hazardous Materials Responder** – 16 hours; Hot and Cold tapping, Stinger Operations, Venting, Flaring, Transfer Pumps, Bonding and Grounding, Haz Mat RIT.

(Please see our Course Catalog for full descriptions and prerequisite information @ 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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