FIRE TRAINING PROGRAMS
VISION

The New York State Office of Fire Prevention and Control strives to be a national recognized leader in fire services, delivering the highest quality, state-of-the-art, and most comprehensive training, response, and technical assistance programs and services to emergency responders, local entities, and the citizens of New York State. The Office’s programs enable: the state’s fire service to become the best trained, best prepared and most effective professional emergency response force in the nation; New York State’s colleges, universities, state properties and its citizens, to be the safest in regard to fire prevention and awareness; and the state to maintain arson related fires at the lowest per capita within the United States.

MISSION

The Office of Fire Prevention and Control will deliver a wide breadth of services to firefighters, emergency responders, state and local government agencies, public and private colleges, and the citizens of New York. The Office advances public safety through firefighter training, education, fire prevention, investigative, special operations and technical rescue programs. The timely delivery of these essential services enables the Office to make significant contributions to the safety of all of New York State.

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ABOUT OUR TRAINING PROGRAMS

TRAINING LOCATIONS
The New York State fire service residential training courses are offered at the NYS Academy of Fire Science, in Montour Falls. Certain swiftwater/flood rescue/technical rescue courses are also available at the New York State Preparedness Training Center (SPTC). Outreach courses are offered in various satellite locations throughout the State. The location where a course is given, along with its respective course number, is listed at the end of each course description.

TRAINING AUTHORIZATION
Training Authorization Letters (Form EOSB-1654) are now required for ALL OFPC courses (not just courses requiring the use of SCBA,) except those listed below. A training authorization letter is required for courses taught at all training locations including the Academy of Fire Science, State Preparedness Training Center (SPTC) and Outreach Courses.

The following courses/programs are exempt from the Training Authorization Letters:
• Fire Safety Courses taught to the public, children, college students and OPWDD employees.
• Explorer Weekends at the NYS Fire Academy (Explorers are not allowed to attend OFPC training except for the Explorer Weekends)
• Non-OFPC Programs hosted at the NYS Fire Academy or SPTC.

The Training Authorization Letter was instituted for all courses to ensure that the student, authorizing agency representative (Chief, Training Officer or Supervisor) and the Office of Fire Prevention and Control staff know that an individual has the proper authorization to attend the training course or courses delivered by the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services, Office of Fire Prevention and Control.

COURSE SCHEDULE INFORMATION
Please note that the courses listed within this book are not necessarily offered every year. For a complete and current schedule of courses at the Academy of Fire Science go to: www.dhses.ny.gov/ofpc/training; for the State Preparedness Training Center, go to: www.dhses.ny.gov/training/calendar/?agency=SPTC

CERTIFICATION INFORMATION
For information on both state and national certifications, go to: www.dhses.ny.gov/ofpc/training/fire-academy/certifications.cfm

FIRE SERVICE DEGREE PROGRAMS
Several colleges and universities in New York State offer Fire Service-related degree programs. In some cases, degree credit may be available for OFPC courses. Contact these institutions for further information. See listing at: www.dhses.ny.gov/ofpc/training/fire-academy/advanced-education.cfm

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Essential forms and information are also available online www.dhses.ny.gov/ofpc
Advanced ICS, ICS for Command and General Staff—Complex Incidents I-400

The I-400 course is a classroom-delivered program that discusses advanced management applications of the Incident Command System including Command and General Staff, Unified Command, Major Incident Management, Area Command, and Multi-Agency Coordination. Candidates for this course should have a considerable background in incident management in both academic and practical application.

Designed for: Fire officers, law enforcement supervisory personnel, emergency medical officers and emergency management personnel

Course Length: 16 hours
Prerequisite: Incident Command System Intermediate (I-300)
Course number: 01-11-0158
Course Location(s): Academy, Locally via Outreach

Intermediate ICS, ICS for Expanding Incidents I-300

The complexity of incident management, coupled with the growing need for multi-agency and multi-functional involvement on incidents, has increased the need for a single standard incident management system that can be utilized by all emergency response agencies. Use of the Incident Command System (ICS) by both public safety and private sector organizations continues to increase across the country. The ICS is designed to be used for all applications, fires (wildland and structural), hazardous materials incidents, law enforcement operations, search and rescue operations, air, ground and water accidents, mass casualty incidents, natural disasters and planned events.

Designed for: Fire officers, law enforcement supervisory personnel, emergency medical officers and emergency management personnel

Course Length: 24 hours
Prerequisite: Basic Incident Command System (I-200)
Course number: 01-11-0159
Course Location(s): Locally via Outreach

IS-700.A: National Incident Management System (NIMS), An Introduction

Homeland Security Presidential Directive (HSPD–5) directed the Secretary of Homeland Security to develop and administer a National Incident Management System. NIMS provides a consistent nationwide template to enable all government, private-sector, and non-governmental organizations to work together during domestic incidents. This course will describe the key concepts, principles and benefits of using NIMS.

Designed for: All firefighters
Course Length: 3 hours
Course number : 01-11-0160
Course Location(s): Locally via Outreach

Emergency Medical Technician Refresher

This convenient three-weekend course will help the Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) refresh previously learned material while gaining new knowledge, skills and abilities necessary to be a competent, productive and valuable member of the emergency medical services team. Through both a written and practical skills challenge approach, this course will help evaluate the current skill and knowledge of the refreshing EMT student and provide an opportunity for customizing the course to meet the needs of the individual student. It will also provide a mechanism to acknowledge and provide credit for the experience of the EMT student. All candidates will be required to submit proof of completion of 6 short, on-line courses assigned between the first and second weekends of the course.

Designed for: Current or previously certified NYS Emergency Medical Technicians

Course Length: 100 hours
Prerequisite: Current or previous certification as a NYS Emergency Medical Technician

Materials Fee: $10
Tuition fee: $425 (Waived for members of NYS DOH-recognized EMS Provider Agencies)
Course number : 01-03-0006
Course Location(s): Academy

Emergency Medical Technician Core Content Refresher

This convenient three-day course will help the Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) meet the “Core” refresher training requirements of the Continuing Education Recertification Program (Pilot Program). Topics covered will include a review of the 26 required hours of refresher content. This
course will not meet the additional training hour requirement for an EMT to complete their Continuing Education Recertification Program.

**Certified First Responder**
The New York State Department of Health-Bureau of EMS Certified First Responder course utilizes curriculum from the National Emergency Medical Services Education Standards: National Emergency Medical Responder. Typically, as the first individual on scene, the First Responder performs initial patient assessment and interventions while using a limited amount of medical equipment and assists other Emergency Medical Services providers. Due to the role of the First Responder being an integral component of the health care chain, this course provides the student with the knowledge and skills to successfully recognize the seriousness of the patient's condition or extent of injuries to assess requirements for emergency medical care; administer appropriate emergency medical care for life threatening injuries relative to airway, breathing and circulation; perform safely and effectively the expectations of the job description.

**Course Location(s):** Academy

**Course number:** 01-03-0005

**Prerequisites:**
- Current certification as a NYS EMT or NYS EMT-A
- Current certification as a NYS CLI
- A NYS EMT/AEMT written certification examination within the past three years and scored at least 85%. Candidates who wish to teach advanced courses must also score at least 85% on the advanced portion of the AEMT exam.
- The candidate must achieve certification at or above the desired teaching level.
- Actively providing pre-hospital care with an EMS agency and have a minimum of two years of clinical experience (two of the last three years).
- Note: Clinical Experience Substitution – May be given to RNs, RRTs, PAs, or other NYS licensed allied health personnel who are NYS EMTs and would like to become a CLI or CIC. Clinical experience substitution may be issued by written permission of the NYS-BEMS Central Office

**Course length:** 20 hours

**Prerequisites:**
- Current certification as a NYS EMT or Advanced EMT
- Current certification as a NYS CLI
- A NYS EMT/AEMT written certification examination within the past three years and scored at least 85%. Candidates who wish to teach advanced courses must also score at least 85% on the advanced portion of the AEMT exam.
- The candidate must achieve certification at or above the desired teaching level.
- Actively providing pre-hospital care with an EMS agency and have a minimum of two years of clinical experience (two of the last three years).
- Note: Clinical Experience Substitution – May be given to RNs, RRTs, PAs, or other NYS licensed allied health personnel who are NYS EMTs and would like to become a CLI or CIC. Clinical experience substitution may be issued by written permission of the NYS-BEMS Central Office

**Course location:** Academy. Note: Students are required to register through EMSTAR (www.emstar.org) for this course, but accommodation fees are paid separately to the Academy of Fire Science.

**First Responder Administration of Intranasal Naloxone to Reverse Opioid Overdose**
Drug overdose from opioids (such as heroin, codeine, morphine, fentanyl and others) is a significant problem in all areas of New York State. This training video, and associated print materials, is designed to prepare Non-EMS Fire Department's to administer naloxone using an intra-nasal applicator (mucosal atomizer device) in cases of suspected opioid overdose. Naloxone is a medication that safely reverses opioid overdose. The objective is to treat and...
reduce injuries and fatalities due to opioid-involved overdoses when a Non-EMS Fire Department First Responder (FDFR) is the first to arrive at the scene of a suspected overdose. This training will allow FDFR’s to recognize signs and symptoms of overdose, assemble a mucosal atomizer device for administering Intra-nasal naloxone, and implement opioid overdose prevention activities in accordance with NYS-approved policies and procedures.

**Designed for:** All Non-EMS FD first responders  
**Course Length:** 90 minutes  
**Course number:** 01-03-0019  
**Course location:** Locally via Outreach

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**FIRE/ARSON INVESTIGATION**

**Introduction to Fire Investigation**

Provides knowledge of basic fire chemistry and observational skills necessary to judge fire behavior, as well as an introduction to NFPA 921 and 1033. Students learn to determine the cause and origin of accidental and natural fires and methods of documenting the fire scene. Students also learn the concept of incendiaryism, evidence preservation, scene security and safety. The course provides a basic understanding of fire’s behavior and its value in determining a fire’s origin and cause.

**Designed for:** Attendance restricted to those members of or perspective members of fire, police, or insurance investigator units and prosecutors.  
**Course Length:** 40 hours  
**Prerequisites:** Signed Fire / Arson Investigation Training Program Agency Endorsement Affidavit  
**Course number:** 01-01-0040  
**Course Location(s):** Academy, Locally via Outreach  
**Student Required Equipment/Materials:** Students are required to have a copy of the most current NFPA 921, a current edition of Jones and Bartlett Fire Investigator text book and access to the most current copy of NFPA 1033.

**Fire Investigation**

This extensive hands-on course provides in-depth knowledge and skills necessary to thoroughly investigate fires from fire scene to the courtroom as outlined in NFPA 921. Includes fire dynamics, motives, scene documentation, evidence, case preparation and testimony. Students engage in a hands-on investigation that includes investigating, documenting and collecting evidence from a fire scene, conducting background checks, interviewing witnesses, case preparation, and testifying at a mock trial in a court setting in front of a judge. Course also includes the Fire Investigator National Certification test.

**Designed for:** Attendance restricted to those fire, police, prosecutorial and insurance investigators who are legally bound to investigate and prosecute arson fires.  
**Course Length:** 80 hours with additional evening hours  
**Prerequisites:** Introduction to Fire Investigation (01-01-0040), High School Diploma or equivalent, and Signed Fire / Arson Investigation Training Program Agency Endorsement Affidavit  
**Materials Fee:** $85  
**Course number:** 01-01-0041  
**Course Location(s):** Academy  
**Student Required Equipment/Materials:** Students are required to have a copy of the most current NFPA 921, current edition of Jones and Bartlett Fire Investigator text book, and, access to the most current edition of NFPA 1033. Students will also need appropriate personal protective equipment for fire investigations including head, eye, hands, foot, and clothing including protection for inclement weather.

**Note:** Course includes evening sessions

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**Canine Accelerant Detection Workshop**

Provides certified Accelerant Detection Canine Teams an opportunity to conduct searches under the guidance of experienced K9 Trainers as a means to hone skills on a semi-annual basis. Laboratory verified ignitable liquid prepared samples will be utilized in a variety of search environments to evaluate search techniques and canine team abilities to effectively search and locate, with constructive feedback from trainers.

**Designed for:** Accelerant Detection Canine Teams as annually certified by OFPC  
**Course Length:** 6 hours  
**Prerequisites:** Current OFPC Certification as an Accelerant Detection Canine Team  
**Course number:** 01-01-0039  
**Course Location(s):** Academy  
**Student Required Equipment/Materials:** None

**Canine Accelerent Detection Certification**

Provides extensive, highly specialized training for the development of a new canine accelerent detection team. A canine partner suitable for accelerent detection work will be screened and selected by OFPC and provided to the student handler. Student canines and their handlers will be trained using the praise and play training methodology. Teams will learn to detect families of ignitable liquids as defined by ASTM standards in addition to learning various search techniques, canine health and behavior, and environmental conditioning. Laboratory verified samples will be utilized to test the K9 Teams ability to detect appropriate ignitable liquids in both burned and unburned. A written exam must also
be successfully completed. This course is for experienced fire investigators and requires a municipal / government sponsorship.

**Designed for:** New Canine Accelerant K9 Teams  
**Course length:** 10 weeks  
**Prerequisite:** New York State Fire Investigator Level II Certification or equivalent, and  
**Signed Fire / Arson Investigation**  
**Course number:** 01-01-0006  
**Course Location(s):** Academy  
**Note:** Special circumstances apply. Call the Academy for further information.  
**Note:** Course includes evening sessions

### Canine Accelerant Detection Re-Certification

Provides for testing and re-certification of established canine detection teams for annual state certification. Advanced techniques and field methods are presented with scent recognition and testing conducted by OFPC trainers using laboratory certified samples of ignitable liquids, burned and unburned.

**Designed for:** Investigative teams performing canine accelerant detection  
**Course Length:** 20 hours  
**Prerequisite:** An operating canine accelerant detection team with a certificate attesting completion of initial training by an accredited agency, and  
**Signed Fire / Arson Investigation**  
**Materials Fee:** $100  
**Course number:** 01-01-0007  
**Course Location(s):** Academy  
**Note:** Special circumstances apply. Call the Academy for further information.

### Electrical Fire Investigation

Provides fire investigators with the knowledge and skills to prove or eliminate an electrical fire cause. Students develop an understanding of electricity, electrical power systems including basic wiring, materials and equipment, and proper and improper installations. Students will gain knowledge in the understanding of specific characteristics of electrical arc failures including arcing tracking, open neutrals, high resistance faults, small electrical appliance failures and the characteristic failures of various types of fixtures. The course is conducted in a classroom and laboratory setting and involving many hands-on demonstrations as well as practical application in the use of diagnostic meters used by the fire investigator.

**Designed for:** Fire Investigators  
**Course Length:** 18 hours  
**Prerequisites:** Introduction to Fire Investigation (01-01-0040) or Fire Behavior and Arson Awareness and Principles of Fire Investigation.  
**Course number:** 01-01-0042  
**Course Location(s):** Academy

### Fire/Arson Investigation Seminar

Features expert speakers and presenters from government agencies, commerce and insurance. Provides information and new developments in the field of fire investigation and allows for an exchange of ideas and experiences through peer interaction. Attendance fulfills the annual New York State in-service training requirements for fire investigators.

**Designed for:** Fire, police, Insurance SIU and municipal officials responsible for the legal investigation and prosecution of arson  
**Course Length:** 12 hours  
**Prerequisites:** Introduction to Fire Investigation (01-01-0040), Fire Behavior and Arson Awareness and Principles of Fire Investigation, or equivalent  
**Materials Fee:** $10  
**Course number:** 01-01-0018  
**Course Location(s):** Academy

### Fire/Arson Investigation Specialty-Fire Investigative Photography

Provides fire investigators with the knowledge and skills to photographically document a fire investigation scene. This hands-on program includes operation and maintenance of equipment, flash techniques, fire scene photography, digital photography.

**Designed for:** Fire Investigators  
**Course Length:** 20 hours  
**Prerequisites:** Introduction to Fire Investigation (01-01-0040), Fire Behavior and Arson Awareness and Principles of Fire Investigation, or NYS Academy of Fire Science Fire/
**Vehicle Fire Investigation**

Provides fire investigators with the knowledge and skills to determine the origin and cause of fires in vehicle. Students will develop an understanding of vehicle components, their common fuel packages, and the vehicle fire investigation process. The course is a combination of classroom and “hands-on” group exercises familiarizing the student with proper investigative techniques to include the processing of a vehicle fire through the understanding of vehicle components and the fire investigation process. The course utilizes NFPA 921 as its reference text along with a OFPC student course manual.

**Prerequisites:** Either Fire Investigation (01-01-0041) or Fire/Arson Investigation (01-01-0017)

**Course number:** 01-01-0034

**Course Location(s):** Academy

**Materials Fee:** $50

**Post Blast Investigation**

This course provides instruction related to explosives identification, component recognition, improvised explosive devices, blast effects, and laboratory analysis services. Attendees will observe an explosives demonstration and participate in scene processing and evidence collection exercises.

**Prerequisites:** None

**Course number:** 01-01-0025

**Course Location(s):** Academy

**Student Required Equipment / Materials:**

- Personal Protective Equipment for scene processing

**FIRE INSTRUCTOR DEVELOPMENT**

**Fire and Emergency Services Instructor I**

This is an upper level course designed for the experienced firefighter, fire instructor candidate, fire officer candidate, or other individual who will be delivering instruction within a fire service organization. In addition to the basic knowledge, skills and abilities required for new instructors, this course prepares the candidate to meet the Instructor I job performance requirements as defined in NFPA 1041 “Fire Service Instructor Professional Qualifications,” including delivering instruction from a prepared lesson plan, instructional aids and evaluation instruments, adapting lesson plans, organizing the learning environment, and meeting record-keeping requirements.

Due to the rigorous demands of this course, students are strongly encouraged to obtain lodging at the Academy. There is a lengthy pre-course reading assignment, and students complete a pre-test, final exam, and three presentations during the course. Course includes homework and independent study. There is a dress code for candidates attending this course.

**Designed for:** Fire department training officers/instructors

**Course Length:** 20 hours

**Course Location(s):** Academy
**Course Length:** 40 hours  
**Prerequisite:** None  
**Required Text:** EITHER Fire and Emergency Services Instructor:  
Principles and Practices – 3rd edition  
OR Foundations of Instructional Delivery: Fire and Emergency Services Instructor I – 3rd edition  
**Course number:** 01-11-0162  
**Course Location(s):** Academy

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**Fire and Emergency Services Instructor II**

This is an upper level course designed for the experienced fire service instructor. This course prepares the candidate to meet the Instructor II job performance requirements as defined in NFPA 1041 “Fire Service Instructor Professional Qualifications,” including developing individual lesson plans, scheduling training sessions, budgeting, acquiring resources, developing and analyzing evaluation and feedback instruments, and supervising and coordinating the activities of other instructors.

Due to the rigorous demands of this course, students are strongly encouraged to obtain lodging at the Academy. There is a lengthy pre-course reading assignment, and students complete a pre-test, final exam, independent assignments and one presentation during the course. Course includes homework and independent study. There is a dress code for candidates attending this course.

**Designed for:** Fire department training officers and training program directors  
**Course Length:** 40 hours  
**Prerequisite:** Fire and Emergency Services Instructor I  
**Required Text:** Fire and Emergency Services Instructor: Principles and Practices – 3rd edition  
**Course number:** 01-11-0052  
**Course Location(s):** Academy

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**Principles of Instruction**

An introductory course for individuals who will be conducting training at the company level. Topics include: qualities of a good instructor, job performance requirements, components of a lesson plan, cognitive and psychomotor lesson plans, dealing with adult learners, meeting individual learning needs, factors that affect learning, the instructor’s role in safety, new technologies in course delivery, and learning characteristics of different generations.

**Designed for:** Fire service training officers and company officers  
**Course Length:** 15 hours  
**Course number:** 01-11-0086  
**Course Location(s):** Academy

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**FIRE OFFICER DEVELOPMENT**

**Fire Officer I - (NFPA 1021-2014 ed.)**

**Note:** Fire Officer I is offered in two course formats. This format is the standard offering and all Fire Officer I content is delivered in one course. Students can also complete the requirements of Fire Officer I by completing the five separate Fire Officer I Modules as outreach courses in any order: Leadership and Supervision, Company Training & Community Risk Reduction, Firefighter Health and Safety, Planning and Emergency Response, and Fireground Strategy and Tactics for First Arriving Companies and then applying for a Fire Officer I certificate.

This is the first course in the Fire Officer series, addressing all of the job performance requirements found in Chapter 4 of NFPA 1021, Standard for Fire Officer Professional Qualifications. Topics include assuming the role of company officer, fire department organization, leadership, supervision, communications, building construction, pre-incident planning, and company level training. Additionally, the Fireground Strategy & Tactics for First Arriving Companies course is embedded within the Fire Officer I course and covers topics such as scene size-up, engine company operations, truck company operations, and response to non-fire emergencies.

**Designed for:** Fire officers who lead and manage firefighters and other fire officers  
**Course Length:** 40 hours  
**Prerequisite:** Fire Officer I course completion or Fire Officer I National Certification (Pro Board, IFSAC or DOD)  
**Required Text:** Fire and Emergency Services Company Officer 5th Edition published by IFSTA.  
**ISBN:** 9780879395643  
**Course number:** 01-11-0014  
**Course Location(s):** Academy, Regional Offerings

**Fire Officer II (NFPA 1021-2014 edition) w/FILO**

Meeting the job performance requirements found in Chapter 5 of NFPA 1021, Standard for Fire Officer Professional Qualifications, the Fire Officer II course builds on the skills learned in Fire Officer I.

Additionally, students begin to examine the functions of a “Managing Fire Officer.” Topics include government administration, human resources management, media relations, budgeting and purchasing, origin and cause investigations, conducting accident investigations, analyzing agency data, post-incident analysis, and the development of an incident action plan for a multi-unit response.

The Fire Officer II course includes the Fire Officer II National Certification examination as the course final exam. Those candidates seeking Fire Officer II National Certification are required to complete the Office of Fire Prevention and Control (OFPC) National Certification application and submit the completed application to the OFPC Standards unit.

**Designed for:** Fire officers who lead and manage firefighters and other fire officers  
**Course Length:** 40 hours  
**Prerequisite:** Fire Officer I course completion or Fire Officer I National Certification (Pro Board, IFSAC or DOD)  
**Required Text:** Fire and Emergency Services Company Officer 5th Edition published by IFSTA.  
**ISBN:** 9780879395643  
**Course number:** 01-11-0132  
**Course Location(s):** Academy, Locally via Outreach

**Fire Officer III (NFPA 1021-2020 ed.)**

This program meets all the job performance requirements found in Chapter 6 of NFPA 1021, Standard for Fire Officer Professional Qualifications. Through a combination of reading, lecture, and group discussion, topics...
relevant to the successful management and operation of a fire and emergency services agency are addressed.

Students are required to gather, analyze, and utilize data from their agency or department to complete the assignments that are due throughout the course. Course topics include leadership, personal and professional development, communications, legal issues, human resources, intergovernmental relations, budget and finance issues, strategic planning, working in the community, managing the code enforcement process, and emergency management and response planning.

The Fire Officer III course includes the Fire Officer III National Certification examination as the course final exam. Those candidates seeking Fire Officer III National Certification are required to complete the Office of Fire Prevention and Control (OFPC) National Certification application and submit the completed application to the OFPC Standards unit.

**Designed for:** Current and aspiring Chief Officers  
**Course Length:** 80 hours plus substantial individual research time  
**Prerequisites:** Fire Officer II National Certification  
**Course number:** 01-11-0015  
**Course Location:** Academy

### Fire Officer 1 Modular Series: Company Training & Community Risk Reduction

The Officer Development – Company Training & Community Risk Reduction course provides current and potential fire officers with a basic knowledge of how to determine company-level training needs, teaching from a lesson plan, documentation of training activities, and different methods to conduct company-level training. Additionally, this course covers the basic responsibilities of the fire officer as they relate to community relations, company-level building inspections, and community risk reduction. This course is based upon the requirements found in Chapter 4 of NFPA 1021, Standard for Fire Officer Professional Qualifications.

**Designed for:** Current and prospective fire officers  
**Course Length:** 12 hours  
**Prerequisite:** Firefighter I, or Basic Firefighter, or Firefighting Essentials Required  
**Text:** Fire and Emergency Services Company Officer 5th Edition (IFSTA)  
**Course number:** 01-11-0150  
**Course Location(s):** Academy, Locally via Outreach

### Fire Officer 1 Modular Series: Fireground Strategies and Tactics for First Arriving Companies

Designed for the first arriving officer at any incident. The primary focus of this course is structural firefighting but the lessons learned are applicable for any emergency scene. Elements of this course include scene size-up, decision making, determining incident strategies, and making tactical assignments. Also included are lessons on building construction, fire behavior and growth as well lessons for operating at common non-fire incidents such as motor vehicle accidents, propane and natural gas emergencies, and other typical non-fire emergencies. In addition to lecture and classroom activities this course utilizes scenarios to allow participants to employ their newly learned skills in real time.

**Designed for:** Fire officers and prospective fire officers  
**Course length:** 15 hours  
**Course location:** Academy, Locally via Outreach  
**Prerequisite:** Firefighter I, or Basic Firefighter, or Firefighting Essentials  
**Course number:** 01-11-0143

### First Line Supervisor to Fire Officer I Bridge Course

This course is intended for Fire Officers that have attended the First Line Supervisor’s Training Program (FLSTP) and need, or want, certification as a Fire Officer I. This course addresses the differences in curriculum between FLSTP and the current NYS Fire Officer I course and allows students to take the Fire Officer I National Certification exam. Course completion requires students to successfully complete the practical and written portions of the Fire Officer I National Certification exam.

**Designed for:** Career Fire Officers that have completed the FLSTP  
**Hours:** 16 hours + National Certification Exam  
**Prerequisite:** (1) NYS Firefighter certification (229); (2) Completion of First Line Supervisor’s Training Program; (3) Firefighter II National Certification or Copy of current CPR card and Completed Live Fire Verification forms for Firefighter I and Firefighter II.  
**Course Number:** 01-11-0130  
**Location(s):** Academy, Locally via Outreach

### Fire Officer 1 Modular Series: Leadership & Supervision

The Officer Development – Leadership & Supervision course provides current and potential fire officers with a fundamental knowledge of the duties, responsibilities, and leadership required to be successful as a fire officer. Additionally, this course covers the basic responsibilities of the fire officer as they relate to human resources...
Leadership, Accountability, Courage, and Knowledge (L.A.C.K.)

This program is designed to reach fire officers, training officers, and chief officers and provide the opportunity to learn how Leadership, Accountability, Culture, and Knowledge can guide them toward recognizing how they can improve both their own and or organizational skill set for what each letter represents. (L.A.C.K.)

Designed for: Fire officers who lead and manage firefighters
Course Length: 4 hours
Prerequisite: None
Course number: 01-15-0016
Course Location(s): Academy, Outreach

Leadership so Everyone Goes Home (L.E.G.H.)

This program is specifically designed for the more senior level fire officers who have had opportunities to be command officers at a wide variety of emergency incidents, including fires and hazardous materials responses. Utilizing case studies, the learning objectives become more real to life and the possibility of changing the organizational culture to reduce the possibility of deaths and injuries in the future.

Designed for: Senior Fire officers who lead and manage firefighters and other fire officers
Course Length: 4 hours
Prerequisite: None
Course number: 01-15-0019
Course Location(s): Academy, Outreach

The Role of the Chaplain in Emergency Services

This course explores the vital role the Fire Department chaplains play in the day-to-day operations of emergency services, as well as those times when sickness, injuries or death present difficult problems for the members of fire and EMS departments.

Designed for: All emergency response personnel
Course Length: 12 hours
Course number: 01-11-0045
Course Location(s): Academy

Fire Officer 1 Modular Series: Planning & Emergency Response

The Officer Development - Planning & Emergency Response course provides current and potential fire officers with a basic knowledge of building construction, commonly found fire protection features, conducting a pre-incident plan survey, determining what elements to include in a pre-incident survey, and developing and managing pre-incident plans. Additionally, this course covers the company officer's responsibilities as they relate to the post-incident analysis process. This course is based upon the requirements found in Chapter 4 of NFPA 1021, Standard for Fire Officer Professional Qualifications.

Course Length: 9 hours
Prerequisite: Firefighter I, or Basic Firefighter, or Firefighting Essentials Required
Text: Fire and Emergency Services Company Officer 5th Edition (IFSTA)
Course number: 01-11-0153
Course Location(s): Academy, Locally via Outreach

Tactical Fireground Simulations

This course provides students the ability to practice initial command functions on a fire emergency scene utilizing real time computer based scenarios. It is not intended to teach command functions, but rather reinforce previously learned theories while giving students the opportunity to practice in the command role. Through a series of computer simulations, students will serve as both company officer and initial incident commander. A mobile classroom is available for regional deliveries.

Version 5 Fire Reporting Workshop

Provides the necessary training to participate in the New York State Fire Reporting System for departments using the Version 5 paper report format. It includes an overview of the Fire Reporting System, procedures for completing the Version 5 fire reporting, quality control at the local level, and an understanding of how fire department data may be used.

Designed for: Fire service personnel who prepare Version 5 paper forms
Course Length: 3 hours
Course number: 01-11-0016
Course Location(s): Locally via Outreach

FIRE PREVENTION/CODE ENFORCEMENT

Codes courses are also offered locally throughout the year. For a list of dates, locations and topics, consult the internet site: www.dos.ny.gov/DCEA/edu_train_overview.html

Introduction to Code Enforcement Practices Part I

Regulations, Administration and Enforcement. This program will discuss the role of the Code Enforcement Official and the practices necessary to carry out the job for a local government, including the process — from permit issuance, inspections, records and paperwork, through enforcement actions and legal recourse. In addition, a quick historical side trip will provide a perspective for the laws and regulations that have been enacted to create a uniform statewide approach to code enforcement. This course will include a 1.5-hour final exam.
Introduction to Code Enforcement Practices Part II

Fire Safe Design. A continuation of Part I, this course is designed to understand the basic principles which created a building that will endure the effects of fire and enable its occupants to safely escape. The NYS Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code provides this blueprint. This course addresses the basic concepts in the Code that establish the minimum construction standards for all new buildings and demonstrates how the Code balances the potential hazards of the occupancy with the benefits of fire resistant construction techniques, notifications and suppression equipment and systems and proper planning. This course will include a 1.5-hour final exam.

Designed for: Code enforcement officials, building and fire inspectors
Course Length: 21 hours
Prerequisite: Introduction to Code Enforcement Practices Part I
Course number: 02-06-0016
Course Location(s): Academy, Locally via Outreach

Inspection Procedures for Existing Structures

This course teaches the skills required to conduct inspections of existing buildings using the Fire and Property Maintenance Codes of New York State. The course will consist of a standard lecture on a topic, followed by a virtual inspection that requires the student to utilize the lecture information. An inspection form following the course outline is included in the student handout material. This course will include a 1.5-hour final exam.

Designed for: Code enforcement officials, building and fire inspectors
Course Length: 21 hours
Prerequisites: Introduction to Code Enforcement Practices Part I and Introduction to Code Enforcement Practices Part II
Course number: 02-06-0017
Course Location(s): Academy, Locally via Outreach

General Construction Principles

This course will acquaint code enforcement officials with the systems, equipment and structural requirements of the Code of New York State. In the first module, “Systems and Equipment,” the organization, applicability and content of the Mechanical, Fuel Gas, Plumbing, Energy and Residential Codes of New York State will be addressed. The second module, “Structural Requirements,” will consist of basic load and design theory and the resulting structural requirements in the Building and Residential Codes of New York State. This course will include a 1.5-hour final exam.

Designed for: Code enforcement officials, building and fire inspectors
Course Length: 21 hours
Prerequisites: Introduction to Code Enforcement Practices Part I and Introduction to Code Enforcement Practices Part II
Course number: 02-06-0013
Course Location(s): Academy, Locally via Outreach

Residential Code of New York State

This course will address the construction requirements for one and two family dwellings and low rise multiple dwellings using the Residential Code of New York State as the compliance method. It is designed to take the student through the steps of a typical code enforcement permit process, including code research, plan review and inspection. This course will include a 1.5-hour final exam.

Designed for: Code enforcement officials, building and fire inspectors
Course Length: 21 hours
Course number: 02-06-0018
Course Location(s): Academy, Locally via Outreach

Building Code of New York State

This course will address the construction requirements for commercial structures using the Building Code of New York State as the compliance method. It is designed to take the student through the typical code enforcement permit process for a commercial project, including code research, plan review and inspection. This course will include a 1.5-hour final exam.

Designed for: Code enforcement officials, building and fire inspectors
Course Length: 21 hours
Course number: 02-06-0001
Course Location(s): Academy, Locally via Outreach

Fire Alarm Systems

An overview of the components of a fire alarm system, as well as the operation and design of such systems. It also includes inspecting existing fire alarm systems and fire department operations at alarmed buildings. The final session of this course consists of hands-on training in the fire alarm laboratory.

Designed for: Fire department, municipal and industrial fire marshals and inspectors, code enforcement officials, fire officers
Course Length: 14 hours
Course number: 01-10-0034
Course Location(s): Academy, Locally via Outreach

Fire Inspector I Course

This course is designed to follow the NFPA 1031 Fire Inspector I standard. Students will be introduced to various codes and standards in order to develop a working knowledge of their application in the inspection process. Topics addressed in this course include the fire inspector’s responsibilities and role in code enforcement, general fire prevention practices, inspection competencies, life safety considerations and enforcement, fire safety principles and requirements related to hazardous materials, special hazards of electrical, heating, and cooking equipment and systems, and fire protection systems and equipment. At the conclusion of the course, all students will complete the Fire Inspector I National Certification Examination. There is a $25 registration fee for the exam (in addition to the $25 registration fee for the course), and
registration for the exam will take place on the first day of class.

**Designed For:** Code Enforcement, Building and Fire Inspectors

**Course Length:** 40 Hours

**Course #:** 1-14-0046

**Course Location:** Academy

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**Fire and Life Safety Educator I**

This is an advanced course designed for emergency service personnel and other professionals who deliver fire and/or life safety instruction to the public. In addition to the basic knowledge, skills and abilities required for fire and life safety educators, this course prepares the candidate to meet the Fire and Life Safety Educator I job performance requirements as defined in NFPA 1035 “Fire and Life Safety Educator Professional Qualifications”. Course topics include: organization, injury prevention, partnerships, media, documentation and record keeping, scheduling, presentation, teaching techniques, audience characteristics, lesson plans, presentation and evaluation methods, informational programs, life safety hazards, fire behavior and fire protection. There is a pre-course reading assignment for this course. Students are required to successfully complete assignments, a final exam, and a final presentation. This course also includes homework and independent study. There is a dress code for candidates attending this course.

**Designed for:** All emergency service personnel and other professionals

**Required Text and Reading Material:**

- IFSTA Fire and Life Safety Educator (3rd Edition), NFPA 1035 - Fire and Life Safety Educator Professional Qualifications

**National Certification Available:** Yes

**Course Length:** 40 hours

**Course Number:** 01-10-002

**Course Location(s):** Academy

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**Fire Sprinkler Systems Workshop**

An overview of wet, dry, deluge, pre-action, and residential sprinkler systems, as well as water supply and design of sprinkler systems. It also includes inspecting existing sprinkler systems and fire department operations at sprinklered buildings. The final session of this course consists of hands-on training in the sprinkler laboratory.

**Designed for:** Fire department, municipal and industrial fire marshals and inspectors, code enforcement officials, fire officers

**Course Length:** 14 hours

**Course Number:** 01-10-0018

**Course Location(s):** Academy

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**Fire Sprinkler Plans Review**

Presents an overview of the four types of sprinkler system occupancy classifications, water supply and pressures, and determination of compliance of sprinkler designs and installations with National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 13 and New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code requirements. It also includes choosing proper system components; determining density and performing remote area calculations, as well as utilizing K-Factor and friction loss formulas; participation in a hydraulic calculation exercise; using a plan review checklist; and conducting an actual automatic sprinkler plan review.

**Designed for:** Fire department, municipal and industrial fire marshals and inspectors, code enforcement officials, fire officers

**Course Length:** 14 hours

**Required Text:** NFPA #13

**Course Number:** 01-10-0017

**Course Location(s):** Academy

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**Alternative Fire Suppression Systems**

This course will introduce the students to various agents used in alternative fire suppression systems. The course will show the chemical makeup of agents, how they work to extinguish a fire, and any potential harm that agents may have on people. Certain applications for alternative systems will also be discussed.

**Designed for:** Fire department, municipal and industrial fire marshals and inspectors, code enforcement officials, fire officers

**Course Length:** 6 hours

**Course Number:** 01-10-0046

**Prerequisites:** None

**Required text:** None

**Materials fee:** None

**Course Location(s):** Academy

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**Fire and Life Safety Educators’ Conference**

Co-sponsored with the NYS Association of Fire Chiefs, this course provides a series of presentations, demonstrations, workshops, and illustrations of successful public fire prevention education programs. It offers attendees new ideas and concepts to improve planning, developing, and presenting programs for both children and adults. Various speakers from private organizations, fire service, government agencies, and industry are involved.

**Designed for:** All emergency response personnel, teachers, and others

**Course Length:** 16 hours

**Materials Fee:** $5

**Course Number:** 01-10-0012

**Course Location(s):** Academy

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**FIRE SUPPRESSION**

**Recruit Firefighter Training**

Provides training established under Executive Law, Section 159-d, Part 426.6. It provides minimum, uniform, basic fire training for probationary and nonpermanent firefighters. Training covers basic firefighter skills, fire department organization, first aid, firefighting tactics and strategies, and
Physical fitness programs.
Designed for: Probationary and non-permanent firefighters of fire departments required to meet NYS Minimum Training Standards
Course Length: 500 hours
Materials Fee: $1000. A special registration form and fee are required. Please contact the Academy.
Course number: 01-05-0038
Course Location(s): Academy
Note: Special circumstances apply. Call the Academy for further information.

Basic Exterior Firefighting Operations (BEFO) 2016 Edition
This course prepares new firefighters to operate in the exterior or non-IDLH areas of the fire scene. Students participate in learning events covering firefighter personal protective equipment (PPE), self-contained breathing apparatus inspection and cylinder changing, fire department communications, building construction and fire behavior, modern fire control research, portable fire extinguishers, rope and knot tying, ground ladders, forcible entry, tactical ventilation theory, water supply, hose and fire streams, loss control, orientation to fire origin and cause determination, fire prevention and life safety initiatives, confined space awareness, overview of first aid and buddy care, and Hazardous Materials First Responder Operations.
Designed for: Fire department personnel who, for whatever reason, will not be classified as an interior structural firefighter.
Course Length: 79 hours
Course number: 01-05-0084
Course Location(s): Locally via Outreach

SCBA / Interior Firefighting Operations 2016 Edition
This course prepares new BEFO graduates to operate as Interior Structural firefighters or in IDLH areas of the fire scene. Students participate in learning events covering firefighter personal protective equipment (PPE), self-contained breathing apparatus donning, doffing and use, SCBA air management and SCBA emergencies, basic firefighter survival techniques, modern fire control methods, building fire search and victim removal techniques, firefighter survival skills, tactical ventilation techniques and basic power saw operation, forcible entry techniques, hose line advancement, vehicle and wildland firefighting theory, vehicle firefighting techniques, coordinated structure fire interior attack and transitional fire attack, and coordinated initial company operations.
Designed for: BEFO course graduates ready to perform interior structural and IDLH firefighting operations.
Course Length: 49 hours
Prerequisites: Basic Exterior Firefighting Operations (BEFO) 2016 Edition Course Completion
OR BEFO 2015 Edition AND Bridge/ refresher training course
OR Scene Support Operations Course Completion AND Bridge/ refresher training course
OR Basic Firefighter or Essentials course completion AND Bridge / refresher training course.
Medical clearance and mask fit test is required to participate.
Course number: 01-05-0045
Course Location(s): Locally via Outreach

Firefighter I - Internet Based Course
This course is designed for the highly motivated, self-directed student with access to high-speed internet who can commit to a very aggressive training schedule in a compressed time format. Students will be expected to read three chapters, complete the respective on-line interactive slide shows and score 80% on three on-line chapter tests each week. Students will be monitored and assisted by an instructor through email and on-line course contact. Corresponding skills instruction and evaluation will occur at a training facility during weeks three, eight and nine.
Course Length: 26 units of on-site skills training & 22 units of independent on-line learning all over a 9 week period
Prerequisites: Completion of an approved CPR course.
Students must be physically capable of wearing SCBA and possess current medical clearance for SCBA use. Students not possessing this prerequisite will not be allowed to participate for their own safety.
Course number: 01-05-0066
Course Location(s): Locally via Outreach

Firefighter II
Designed as the last step in initial level training for interior structural firefighters and/or who will serve as team or group leaders under the general supervision of an officer. Introduces new more advanced areas that will be expanded in other training programs. A firefighter receives the training components equivalent to those found within NFPA Firefighter II Standard.
Firefighter II is based on objectives from NFPA Standard 1001, Firefighter Level II, and consists of performance criteria: incident command implementation, build-ling materials and collapse, special rescue, hydrant flow and operability, hose tools, foam operations, flammable liquid/gases, detection, alarm systems, fire department communications, pre-fire planning, special situations, strategy and tactics.
Note: Firefighter II equivalents are Fire Attack II or Advanced Firefighter
Designed for: Interior structural firefighters and/or firefighters who may serve as team or group leaders
Course Length: 42 hours
Prerequisites: Firefighter I or equivalent and students must also be physically capable of wearing SCBA and possess current medical clearance for SCBA use. Students not possessing this prerequisite will not be allowed to participate for their own safety.
Course number: 01-05-0086
Course Location(s): Locally via Outreach
SCBA Confidence
SCBA Confidence provides a solid indoctrination in emergency procedures and establishes confidence in using self-contained breathing apparatus in a crisis situation.
Designed for: All fire service personnel
Course Length: 12 hours
Prerequisites: Fire Fighter I or equivalent.
Course number: 01-05-0044
Course Location(s): Academy, Locally via Outreach

Firefighter Survival
Based on Chief John Salka’s “Get Out Alive” program, this program is designed for self-rescue and rescue of trapped firefighters. Course content will enable firefighters to recognize the types of events encountered on the fire ground that contribute to firefighter disorientation and/or entrapment, to have knowledge of what is necessary to ensure their safety and that of their partners or crew members, and perform self-rescue techniques when disoriented, separated, or when needing to exit a structure in an emergency. This course requires students to perform a number of practical evolutions with self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA). This course includes the National Fire Academy Calling the Mayday.
Designed for: Fire service personnel
Course Length: 12 hours
Prerequisites: Firefighter I
Course number: 01-05-0076
Course Location(s): Locally via Outreach

Firefighter Assist and Search Team (FAST)
The firefighter as a member of a FAST operation will identify the tools and staffing requirements for a FAST operation, develop a rescue plan for a missing, lost, or trapped firefighter; demonstrate rope search techniques, and demonstrate removing a firefighter/victim up a stairwell, up or down through a hole in a floor/roof, moving a downed firefighter out of a window, and lowering a firefighter down a ladder. This course requires students to perform a number of practical evolutions with self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA).

Truck Company Operations
This course provides instruction for using ladder company equipment including operating ground ladders. Includes duties and responsibilities of the ladder company, operating and maintaining specialized tools, ventilation, forcible entry, search, and building construction.
Designed for: Fire service personnel
Course Length: 24 hours
Prerequisites: Firefighter I or equivalent
Course number: 01-05-0046
Course Location(s): Locally via Outreach

Apparatus Operator - Emergency Vehicle Operation
Provides vehicle operators with a better understanding of the seriousness of emergency vehicle operation. Based on objectives from National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Standard 1002 Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator, Chapter 2, this course stimulates the thought processes to make students aware of the potential for tragedy and financial loss and of the legal and moral responsibilities encountered when operating an emergency vehicle.

Apparatus Operator Emergency Vehicle Operations Equivalents are EVOC Courses offered by VFIS Insurance, ESIP Insurance or Utica National Insurance. Train the Trainers are not accepted as equivalent.

Apparatus Operator - Pump
Designed for: Fire service personnel
Course Length: 24 hours
Prerequisites: Apparatus Operator, and BEFO (formerly known as Scene Support Operations) or equivalent
Course number: 01-05-0005
Course Location(s): Locally via Outreach

Water Supply Operations
Offers firefighters with information and skills in determining water supply requirements for firefighting purposes and water delivery methods. Demonstrations and practice sessions are included.

Apparatus Operator - Aerial Device
Designed to follow the NFPA 1002 Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator Professional Qualifications, provides the student with knowledge necessary to operate, inspect and maintain aerial devices. Course content includes emergency vehicle operations review, classification and typing, vehicle inspection, operation of various types of aerial devices including platforms and ladders, proper location of placement and setup at an incident including driving, spotting and stabilizing. Fire departments must possess an aerial device to offer this program enabling students to fully operate this device.

Live Fire Training – NFPA 1403, 2018 Edition
The purpose and intent of this course is to provide the student with basic understanding of the requirements of NFPA1403 Standard on Live Fire Training Evolutions. It is intended that the student be pro-vided with an introduction to
the necessary knowledge and tools to properly prepare and conduct live fire-training evolutions. This program provides an in-depth analysis of NFPA 1403, addressing evolutions at municipal training centers, gas fired training buildings and exterior props, vehicle fires and acquired structures and exterior class B fires. It is also designed to provide an overview of live fire training requirements, especially for responsible individuals such as commissioners and chiefs who may not be directly involved with the conduct or planning of these evolutions, but with whom may rest the ultimate responsibility for training within their jurisdiction.

**Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting**
Covers specialized areas for the air transportation industry, such as airport and aircraft familiarization, firefighting agents, rescue, ventilation and forcible entry for both civilian and military aircraft.

**Prerequisite:** Fire service personnel  
**Course Length:** 12 hours  
**Course number:** 01-05-0079  
**Course Location(s):** Locally via Outreach

**Basic Wildland Fire Suppression**
Developed by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Forest Rangers and the New York State Office of Fire Prevention and Control for firefighters involved in wildland fire suppression. The course contents include jurisdiction and responsibilities, fire behavior, wildland fire elements and size-up, use of tools and equipment, general concepts related to fire suppression, securing the control line, and standards for safety.

**Prerequisite:** Fire service personnel  
**Course Length:** 12 hours

**Basic Wildland Search Skills**
Developed by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, the Basic Wildland Search Skills Course teaches the most basic skills needed to conduct searches in the wildland environment. Topics covered in this course include, basic search organization (Incident Command System), communications, search techniques, attitude and safety. This course concludes with a field exercise to practice the type 3 search technique (grid search) discussed in the classroom. Graduates of this course will receive a “Green Card” which will identify them as having successfully completed this course. This course is also a prerequisite to other more advanced search courses offered by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation.

**Prerequisite:** Fire service personnel  
**Course Length:** 8 hours  
**Course number:** 01-05-0008  
**Course Location(s):** Locally via Outreach

**Courage to be Safe**
OFPC, in partnership with the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation, is delivering this educational initiative to accomplish the goal of the US Fire administration to reduce firefighter fatalities by 25 percent within five years and 50 percent within 10 years. The program is based on 16 initiatives developed during the Firefighter Life Safety Summit.

**Prerequisites:** BEFO (formerly known as Scene Support Operations) or equivalent  
**Course Length:** 12 hours  
**Course number:** 01-05-0034  
**Course Location(s):** Locally via Outreach

**Fire Mobilization and Mutual Aid Awareness**
An awareness level course designed for firefighters who may deploy as part of the New York State Fire Mobilization and Mutual Aid Plan or department officers who may find themselves needing to request assistance through the New York State Fire Mobilization and Mutual Aid Plan during a large scale event. Topics include: an overview of the New York State Fire Mobilization and Mutual Aid Plan, requesting and deploying resources, expectations of deploying resources, documentation, and an overview of the reimbursement process.

**Prerequisite:** Basic Firefighter or Firefighting Essentials  
**Course number:** 01-05-0007  
**Course Location(s):** Locally via Outreach

**Principles of Building Construction: Combustible (NFA)**
This course introduces basic construction principles and the special characteristics of wood and ordinary construction as they concern the fire service. Primary emphasis is on improving the fire officer's ability to ensure firefighter safety by recognizing common causes and indicators of failure and other hazards related to building construction. Course material enables the fire officer to better predict the overall reaction of a building to fire conditions.

**Prerequisite:** Basic Firefighter or equivalent  
**Course Length:** 4 hours  
**Course number:** 01-15-0001  
**Course Location(s):** Locally via Outreach
Courses Offered: Firefighter I, Firefighter II, Apparatus Operator - Pump, Truck Company Operations, Apparatus Operator - Aerial Device

Prerequisites: Basic Exterior Firefighting Operations or equivalent
Course number: 01-05-0043, 3 units, 9 hours; 01-05-0042, 2 units, 6 hours; 01-05-0071, 12 hours
Pre-requisites: Firefighter I or equivalent and Principles of Instruction or equivalent.

Hazardous Materials First Responder Operations
Prepares emergency responders to effectively and safely respond to and stabilize hazardous materials incidents from a defensive position. Meets the training requirements of OSHA 1910.120 for the first responder, both at the awareness and operations levels. Includes recognizing and identifying hazardous materials, classifications and the hazards of each class, transport vehicles and associated hazards, planning for incidents, personal protective equipment and its limitations, confinement methods and decontamination procedures. Case studies identify appropriate operational procedures. This course is also contained in the Firefighter I course. Designed for: All emergency response personnel
Course Length: 16 hours
Course number: 01-09-0098
Course Location(s): Academy, Locally via Outreach

Hazardous Materials Technician Module One: Primary Skills for the Hazardous Materials Responder
Emergency response personnel will learn basic skills to effectively and safely respond to incidents involving hazardous materials in an offensive or defensive mode. This course covers portions of OSHA 1910.120 and NFPA 472 for the Hazardous Materials Technician. Topics include terminology associated with Hazardous Materials responses, use of reference materials at a hazardous materials incident, determining appropriate decontamination methods and the selection and use of chemical protective clothing. Course uses both lecture and hands-on skill stations. Designed for: All emergency response personnel
Course Length: 24 hours
Prerequisites: Hazardous Materials First Responder Operations, and SCBA medical clearance. Student must be affiliated with a hazardous materials response agency to attend regional classes. Academy offerings are open to all.
Course number: 01-09-0099
Course Location(s): Academy, Locally via Outreach

Refresher Training
The Refresher Training course is a unique approach to fire training in New York State. It is designed to address the needs of veteran firefighters who have been trained for some time and are in need of skill refresher opportunities. A course is created by county fire coordinators to provide targeted refresher training and will include specific skills retraining by selecting a series of existing units of instruction from any of the courses listed below. Contact your county fire coordinator for further information.

Designed for: Fire service personnel
Course number and length:
- 01-05-0042, 2 units, 6 hours;
- 01-05-0043, 3 units, 9 hours;
- 01-05-0039, 4 units, 12 hours
Pre-requisite: Firefighter I (15) or equivalent

Courses Offered:
- Firefighter I, Firefighter II
- Apparatus Operator - Pump, Truck Company Operations, Apparatus Operator - Aerial Device

Location: Locally via Outreach
Hazardous Materials Technician Module 3: Managing the Hazardous Materials Incident

OSHA 1910.120 and NFPA 472 require Hazardous Materials Technicians to be trained in the management of Hazardous Materials incidents. This third segment in a series of 5 covers the requirements of those two standards. Course topics include risk based analysis, a Hazardous Materials Technician’s role in ICS, container identification, planning a response and incident termination.

Designed for: All emergency response personnel
Course length: 8 hours
Prerequisites: Hazardous Materials Technician Module One: Primary Skills for the Hazardous Materials Responder. Student must be affiliated with a hazardous materials response agency to attend regional classes. Academy offerings are open to all.
Course number: 01-09-0100
Course location(s): Academy, Locally via Outreach


The fourth module in the Hazardous Materials Technician curriculum gives the hazardous materials responder the knowledge to properly contain and mitigate the hazard posed by a hazardous material in a damaged container. This course will discuss and allow for hands on learning on the following topics: Damage assessment and product behavior, Plugging, Patching, dome cover clamps, overpacking, Chlorine Emergency Kits A, B, C. We will also discuss the special considerations associated with pressurized containers, drums and intermediate bulk containers.

Designed for: All emergency response personnel
Course length: 24 hours
Course number: 01-09-0101
Course location(s): Academy, Locally via Outreach


The last module of the Hazardous Materials Technician curriculum combines the skills and knowledge that a Hazardous Materials Technician must demonstrate to be certified under OSHA 1910.120 and NFPA 472. This course will include discussion and hands on skills on the following topics: Haz Mat RIT procedures, hot and cold tapping, stinger operations, venting, flaring, vent & burn, vacuum and pressure differential transfers, transfer pumps, hoses, sparging, vapor suppression and dispersion.

Designed for: All emergency response personnel
Course length: 16 hours
Course number: 01-09-0102
Course location(s): Academy, Locally via Outreach

Hazardous Materials Incident Safety Officer

This course will provide participants with information as to the role of the safety officer that is required for a hazardous materials incident under OSHA 29 CFR 1910.120. During this course students will learn the functions of the safety officer, the importance of monitoring operations of the hazardous materials operations, the need to provide training to the incident commander, and appropriate actions to be taken in order to provide for the safety of the responders and the public. With the use of scenarios, participants will fulfill the role of the safety officer at various scenes and make appropriate safety considerations.

Designed for: Incident Safety Officers at hazardous materials incidents
Course Length: 8 hours
Course number: 01-09-0033
Course Location(s): Locally via Outreach

Hazardous Materials First Responder Operations Annual Refresher

Provides training to review and refresh the competencies covered in OSHA 1910.120 HAZWOPER for First Responder Awareness and Operations Level Responders. This course provides a review of the nine classes of materials, the use of the US DOT Emergency Response Guidebook, principles of containment, confinement, and extinguishment within the scope of the duties of a first responder at the Operations Level. This training is designed to satisfy annual refresher training requirements of OSHA for hazardous materials.
Hazardous Materials Rapid Intervention Team (RIT)

During this course, students will identify tools and staffing requirements for RIT operations during a hazmat incident. Students will learn how to develop a rescue plan for an injured or trapped responder, move a responder up and down stairs, down through a hole, or out of a window, and lower a responder off of objects such as rail cars and cargo trucks. Students will also demonstrate various techniques to supply air to downed responders in low and no air emergencies. This course requires students to perform several practical evolutions with self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) and Level A PPE.

Designed for: Practicing hazardous materials technicians
Course Length: 16 hours
Prerequisite: Hazardous Materials Technician Basic or Hazardous Materials Technician Module 1 AND Hazardous Materials Technician Module 2
Course number: 01-09-0114
Course Location(s): Academy

Hazardous Materials Technician Basic Refresher

This course is intended to meet the annual refresher requirements for the Hazardous Materials Technician. Through a combination of classroom and hands-on activities, the student will demonstrate the required competencies as outlined in 29 CFR 1910.120. Topics include terminology, DOT hazard classes, identifying hazardous materials, personal protective equipment, decontamination, detection equipment, and tactical options for dealing with a hazardous materials incident.

Designed for: Practicing hazardous materials technicians
Course Length: 16 hours
Prerequisite: Hazardous Materials Technician
Course number: 01-09-0040
Course Location(s): Locally via Outreach

Bath Salts: The Latest Threat to Responders

This course is intended to provide all levels of first responders with the basic knowledge required to recognize a potential bath salts incidents, how to safely approach and handle the effected individuals, proper personal safety precautions, and scene management.

Designed for: All First Responder Personnel
Course Length: 2 hours
Course number: 01-09-0088
Course Location(s): Academy, Locally via Outreach

Cargo Truck Hazardous Materials Specialist

This is an advanced level course that will prepare Hazardous Materials Technicians to meet the competencies set forth in NFPA Standard 472 Chapter 13. The topics covered in handling cargo truck emergencies are extremely hazardous and employ highly skilled operations. Competencies covered include overviews of specification cargo trailers; damage assessment; leak mitigation; product removal techniques, (including flaring and transfers); and up righting overturned trailers. Responders will gain hands on experience with several trailer types, including gasoline, corrosive, propane and cryogenic trailers; and the tools/techniques necessary to plan and implement a response. The majority of the class is outside practical evolutions.

Designed for: Hazardous Materials Technicians
Course length: 24 hours
Prerequisite: Hazardous Materials Technician
Course number: 01-09-0082
Course location(s): Academy
PPE required: Full structural turnout gear, SCBA with spare cylinder, plus work clothes to include steel toed shoes, leather work gloves, eye protection and head protection.

Decontamination

Trains firefighters and emergency services personnel to fully understand and perform decontamination of people and equipment at the scene of a hazardous materials release. Proper protection as well as procedures for emergency and formal decontamination are covered.

Designed for: All emergency response personnel who may be required to perform decontamination.
Course Length: 4 hours
Course number: 01-09-0009
Course Location(s): Locally via Outreach

Chemical Suicide: Information for First Responder

Every year dozens of people in the United States commit suicide using various types of hazardous materials, and too often first responders become exposed to these chemicals. This course is designed to give all first responders the skill set necessary to identify a suicide involving hazardous materials, safely approach the incident using appropriate personal protective equipment, and manage the scene successfully.

Designed for: All first responder personnel
Course length: 2 hours
Course number: 01-09-0080
Course location(s): Locally via Outreach

Decon Trailer Equipment Training

Some counties in New York State opted to receive a decontamination trailer instead of, or in addition to, the level A WMD trailers. This class is classroom and hands-on, utilizing the equipment supplied by the WMD Task Force.

Designed for: Responders assigned to a...
Live Fire Class B Foam Operations

This course provides practical training for mitigating spills and fires involving crude oil, ethanol and other ignitable liquids. Topics covered include: overview of common ignitable liquids; use of class B foam, with emphasis on alcohol resistant foam concentrates; foam nozzles and proportioning equipment; and determining foam needs for various scenarios. There are also hands on practical activities involving vapor suppression with finished foam, confining spills, and live fire extinguishment. During live fire evolutions, foam handlines will be set up and employed for a leaking and burning tank truck. Full structural turnout gear and SCBA with spare cylinder are required for this course for all students.

Designed for: All emergency response personnel
Course Length: 12 hours
Prerequisite: Firefighter I or equivalent and Hazmat First Responder Operations.
Materials Fee: $45
Course number: 01-09-0084
Course Location(s): Academy, Locally via Outreach

Flammable Gas Emergency Response Workshop

Develops skills needed to respond and successfully control propane and natural gas incidents. Industry representatives participate and share their ability to serve as a fire department resource. Includes classroom discussion of the properties of propane and natural gas, production and distribution, planning for and responding to fires or other incidents involving these gases. Students will participate in several live fire evolutions as a member of a fire attack team. Students are required to bring approved turn-out gear and SCBA.

Designed for: All firefighters and fire officers
Course Length: 12 hours
Prerequisite: Firefighter I or equivalent
Materials Fee: $25
Course number: 01-09-0023
Course Location(s): Academy

First Responder Decontamination

Trains hospital personnel to fully understand and perform decontamination of victims of hazardous materials or weapons of mass destruction incidents. Proper levels of protection as well as procedures for formal, emergency, and mass decontamination are covered.

Designed for: Hospital personnel
Course Length: 8 hours
Course number: 01-09-0075
Course Location(s): Locally via Outreach

Flammable and Combustible Liquid Emergencies

Develops skills needed to respond to flammable liquid releases in both fire and non-fire situations. Includes familiarization with flammable liquids and their hazards, normal transportation and storage containers, and firefighting foams and their applications.

Designed for: All emergency response personnel
Prerequisite: Firefighter I; or Basic Exterior Firefighting Operations (BEFO) and the SCBA/Interior Firefighting Operations
Course Length: 16 hours
Course number: 01-09-0022
Course Location(s): Academy, Locally via Outreach

High Hazard Train Fires

This course will prepare students to respond to incidents involving High Hazard Flammable Train (HHFT), which transport a single ignitable liquid product such as crude oil or ethanol. Topics covered will include strategic (offensive vs. defensive) and tactical decision making, tank car recognition, water supply, Class B foam operations and the effective use of cooling streams. As the majority of the course will consist of outside skills evolutions, some including live fire, it is a physically demanding course and students must be prepared to work in the various environmental conditions appropriate for the season in which the course is being conducted.

Designed for: Fire service personnel
Course Length: 16 hours
Prerequisite: Firefighter I or equivalent.
Materials Fee: $45
Course number: 01-09-0113
Course Location(s): Academy

Personal Protective Equipment for the Hazardous Materials Operations Level Responder

This course is designed for Operations level responders that may be required to participate in activities requiring the use of chemical protective clothing. It incorporates both classroom presentation and hands on training. Focus is on selection of proper PPE, safety, proper donning/doffing techniques and dexterity.

Designed for: Hazardous Materials First Responder Operations level personnel
Course length: 4 hours
Prerequisite: Hazardous Materials First Responder Operations
Course number: 01-09-0081
Course location(s): Academy, Locally via Outreach

Recognizing Clandestine Drug Lab Operations

Clandestine drug labs can be found in a variety of places, from a residence to a hotel room to a vehicle. They can manufacture a number of substances...
including methamphetamine, MDMA (ecstasy), or even steroids. The processes involved frequently utilize flammable liquids, corrosives, toxic gases, and water reactive materials. This course provides responders with the skills to recognize a potential clandestine lab situation and take the appropriate course of action. The course focuses heavily on methamphetamine production, especially the “one pot” method currently on the increase in New York State, and deals with proper procedures for recognition, isolation, reporting, and dealing with victims and the “cooks” themselves.

**Designed for:** All first response personnel  
**Course length:** 3 hours  
**Course number:** 01-09-0053  
**Course Location(s):** Locally via Outreach

**Respiratory Protection Program**  
This course is designed for the agency's respiratory protection program administrator as defined in 29 CFR 1910.134 OSHA Respiratory Protection Standard. Curriculum content outlines the requirements of the Respiratory Protection Program standard for emergency escape de-vices, air purifying respirators (negative pressure) and self-contained breathing apparatus (positive pressure). In addition, training is provided on the procedures and equipment to conduct a quantitative fit test.  
**Designed for:** Response agency respiratory protection program administrators  
**Course Length:** 6 hours  
**Course number:** 01-09-0054  
**Course Location(s):** Locally via Outreach

**Sampling Techniques for the Hazardous Materials Technician**  
Prepares hazardous materials technicians to effectively collect and submit samples according to local and state protocols. This course will train technicians to collect samples that are suitable for laboratory analysis.  
**Designed for:** Hazardous Materials Technicians  
**Course length:** 4 hours  
**Prerequisite:** Hazardous Materials Technician  
**Course number:** 01-09-0078  
**Course Location(s):** Locally via Outreach

**Advanced Sampling Techniques for the Hazmat Technician**  
This advanced level course will show Hazardous Materials Technicians how to obtain solid, liquid, and gas samples for laboratory analysis from a variety of potential situations while operating in PPE. Competencies covered include techniques for sampling unity and multiphasic liquids, drums and totes, underground tanks, transport and storage trucks, railcars, ponds, rivers, soil and the air.  
**Designed for:** Practicing hazardous materials technicians  
**Course Length:** 24 hours  
**Prerequisite:** Hazardous Materials Technician  
**Materials Fee:** $25.00  
**Course # 89**  
**Note:** This course is academy or locally based only and has a very limited course offering due to equipment and trainer requirements.

**Computer-Aided Management of Emergency Operations (CAMEO)**  
Offers hands-on training using computers to assist in hazardous chemical emergencies. The CAMEO program contains response information and recommendations for thousands of commonly transported chemicals, an air dispersion model to assist in evaluating release scenarios and evacuation options. CAMEO includes several easily adaptable databases and programs that will assist responders to plan for, and respond to, incidents involving chemicals used in their communities.  
**Designed for:** Emergency planners, personnel with hazardous materials responsibilities  
**Course Length:** 36 hours  
**Course number:** 01-09-0007  
**Course Location(s):** Academy

**Hazardous Materials Seminar**  
Each year the Hazardous Materials Seminar brings New York's Haz Mat Responders together to participate in a weekend of learning. Speakers from across the country deliver presentations on current topics of interest as well as the newest developments in the field. Attendees have opportunities to network with their peers, exchanging information and experiences. Many emergency service organizations accept attendance at this seminar as fulfillment of the annual recertification for Haz Mat Operations or Technician level training required by OSHA 1919.120.  
**Designed for:** All emergency response personnel  
**Course Length:** 16 hours  
**Materials Fee:** $5  
**Course number:** 01-09-0036  
**Course Location(s):** Academy

**HEALTH AND SAFETY**

**Fire Police**  
Trains fire police to perform their duties more effectively. It includes defining and interpreting terms, oath of office, relation to regular police officers, general duties, maintaining safe conditions at an emergency, traffic direction and control, pre-planning, and various laws of interest to the fire service. Under the provision of General Municipal Law, Section 209-c, this course, when approved by OFPC, must be completed by every fire police officer who was appointed after September 1, 1980.  
**Designed for:** Fire service personnel designated as fire police  
**Course Length:** 21 hours  
**Course number:** 01-15-0002  
**Course Location(s):** Locally via Outreach

**Health and Safety Officer (NFA)**  
Addresses the health and safety officer's role in identifying, evaluating, and implementing policy and procedures that affect health and safety aspects for emergency responders. Risk analysis, wellness issues, and other occupational safety issues are discussed.  
**Designed for:** Health and safety officers and chief officers  
**Course Length:** 15 hours  
**Course number:** 01-15-0005  
**Course Location(s):** Academy, Locally via Outreach

**Highway Safety for Emergency Responders**  
Students completing this course will have an awareness of the serious nature of highway crash scenes and
the hazards associated with them. Students will have an understanding of the four phases of traffic control that take place in the first hour. They will also possess the ability to select and place the appropriate traffic control devices for various crash sites. Other topics covered are: stopping sight distance requirements for vehicles across a broad range of speeds, how to establish various traffic control zones, where to stand and how to direct traffic.

**Designed for:** All emergency response personnel

**Course Length:** 8 hours

**Pre-requisite:** Traffic Incident Management

**Course number:** 01-15-0006

**Course Location(s):** Academy, Locally via Outreach

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**Traffic Incident Management**

The Strategic Highway Research Program developed a program, by responders—for responders, with the objective that nationally, responders acquire a common set of core competencies for traffic incident management. The process of coordinating resources of several different partner agencies and private sector companies to detect, respond to, and clear traffic incidents as quickly as possible to reduce the impacts of incidents on safety and congestion, while protecting the safety of on-scene responders and the traveling public. The safety of responders and motorists, quick response, and effective communications at traffic incident scenes are highlighted.

**Designed for:** All Emergency Response Personnel, Highway, Towing, and Traffic Management Professionals

**Course Length:** 8 hours

**Prerequisite:** None

**Course number:** 01-15-0018

**Course Location(s):** Academy, Outreach

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**Incident Safety Officer (NFA)**

Examines the safety officer’s role at emergency response situations. It focuses specifically on operations as a safety officer within the incident command system.

**Designed for:** Fire department safety officers

**Prerequisite:** Firefighter I

**Course Length:** 15 hours

**Course number:** 01-15-0007

**Course Location(s):** Academy, Locally via Outreach

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**On-Scene Rehabilitation for Emergency Operations**

This course explains the why, when and how of rehabilitation for emergency responders (firefighters, hazardous materials, EMS, technical rescue, ice and water rescue, etc.). The course shows how and when to meet the requirements of National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 1500 Fire Department Occupational Safety and Health Chapter 6-6, NFPA 1561 Emergency Services Incident Management System Chapters 2-8 and 9.

**Designed for:** Incident commanders, safety officers and emergency service personnel

**Course Length:** 12 hours

**Course number:** 01-15-0008

**Course Location(s):** Academy

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**Public Safety Dispatcher Training**

**Public Safety Dispatcher I (APCO)**

This program is designed to address the basic functional areas needed for a student to become a Public Safety Dispatcher. This course will address the following topic areas: Telephone, radio and other industry related technologies, call-taking skills, call classification and radio dispatching. The training will also discuss stress management and liability issues related to the dispatch profession. This class will follow the APCO Public Safety Telecommunicator I curriculum.

**Designed for:** All emergency service personnel

**Course Length:** 40 hours

**Course number:** 01-05-0049

**Course Location(s):** Academy

**Required Text:** APCO PST1 Student Manual. The student is responsible to obtain a copy of the text prior to class. Instructions for ordering the text will be sent when course registration is confirmed by OFPC. Allow three weeks for delivery from APCO.

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**Public Safety Dispatcher II**

This curriculum serves to provide further education for the modern day Public Safety Dispatcher. This course will focus on current trending issues in the industry and includes the following topics: Domestic violence, handling different types of callers as well as managing the mass-casualty incident (eg. Active shooting). Also included is managing fireground communication including MAYDAY situations. A discussion of legal responsibilities and stress management for the seasoned dispatcher will also be included. Perfect for in-service training credit!

**Designed for:** Active public safety dispatchers

**Course Length:** 40 hours

**Prerequisite:** Experience as a public safety dispatcher

**Course number:** 01-05-0060

**Course Location(s):** Academy

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**Communication Center Supervisor (APCO)**

This course is designed for current or prospective 911 and Communication Center Supervisors. Topics include: The Communications Supervisor Role, Liability Issues, Policies and Procedures, Communication Skills and Employee Evaluation and Motivation. Class will use practical and group exercises to supplement class lectures. This course will follow the APCO Communication Center Supervisor 4th Edition Text. Students are encouraged to bring a copy of their policies and procedures manuals.

**Designed for:** Students who are currently communications supervisors, or under consideration for supervisory positions.

**Pre-requisites:** Students should be experienced in communications center operations and have a working knowledge of the associated policies and procedures.

**Required Text:** APCO Communication Center Supervisor 4th Edition. Text is the responsibility of the student to acquire. Instructions for ordering text will be sent along with registration confirmation. Allow (3) weeks for delivery from APCO.

**Course Length:** 24 hours

**Course Number:** 01-05-0052

**Course Location(s):** Academy
TECHNICAL RESCUE

All technical rescue courses are based on objectives from National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 1006 – Rescue Technician Professional Qualifications and 1670 – Standard on Operations and Training for Technical Rescue Incidents.

Vehicle Rescue: Operations Level (VROL)
Provides hands-on training in motor vehicle rescue and extrication techniques while stressing the need for scene safety and vehicle stabilization. It includes rescue theory, rescue life cycle, new technology in automotive design and rescue tools and their uses.

Designed for: All emergency response personnel
Course Length: 20 hours
Prerequisites: Firefighter I; Basic Firefighter; or Firefighting Essentials, or BEFO (formerly known as Scene Support Operations), or basic level EMS training
Materials Fee: $60
Course number: 01-04-0001
Course Location(s): Academy, Locally via Outreach

Alternative Fueled Vehicles and New Vehicle Technology
Provides information about the hazards of the alternate fuels, such as ethanol, E85, compressed natural gas, liquefied natural gas and propane. The course also discusses battery powered, hybrid and hydrogen fuel cell vehicles. Safety information on hazards that may be present at incidents involving an alternative fueled vehicle is also presented. The second portion of the program deals with the changing technology of the automobile, including vehicle safety standards and vehicle features. Intended to provide new information for those students who may have completed vehicle rescue training in the past and have a need to update information about changes to newer vehicles.

Designed for: All emergency response personnel
Course Length: 4 hours
Course number: 01-04-0006
Course Location(s): Academy, Locally via Outreach

Amtrak Passenger Train Emergency Response Procedures
This course is presented by Amtrak. Content includes familiarization with railroad systems, equipment, and operational procedures; operation of access and egress devices, as well as emergency operation of the equipment; power systems including locomotives, electric powered equipment; firefighting/search and rescue procedures for rail cars (this includes a practical application from a smoke filled railcar); and victim removal from rail cars using various rescue procedures. All students wishing to participate in the hands-on portion dealing with search and rescue of rail cars, along with victim removal techniques, are required to bring firefighting OSHA compliant protective equipment, self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA), and one spare air bottle.

Designed for: All emergency response personnel
Course Length: 8 hours
Prerequisite: Firefighter I; Basic Firefighter; or Firefighting Essentials, and students must be physically capable of wearing SCBA and possess current medical clearance for SCBA use. Students not possessing this prerequisite will not be allowed to participate for their own safety.
Course number: 01-04-0064
Course Location(s): Locally via Outreach

Concrete Breaching and Breaking
The purpose of this course is to provide the student the basic principles on the safe and effective operations of penetrating concrete debris and damaged slabs or walls to safely extricate trapped victims. The student shall learn the safe and proper techniques to breach, break, cut and burn to gain access through concrete, steel or other structural components during rescue operations in heavy floor, heavy wall, steel and concrete structures. The student will also learn to identify the different types of concrete construction as well as the safety hazards that present themselves to the rescuer at every collapse situation. Students will be able to rapidly identify pre and post tensioned concrete and the specific dangers each represents in a given collapse situation. Designed for: Emergency response personnel with responsibility in structural collapse operations.

Designed for: All emergency response personnel
Course length: 16 hours
Course number: 01-04-0011
Course Location(s): Academy, Locally via Outreach

Basic Structural Collapse Operations
Provides specialized training in the realm of building collapse rescue, a threat in every community. Content will include warning signs, collapse causes, void identification, safety precautions, search techniques, team operations, building construction awareness, and initial fire department operations. Several case studies will be discussed and a table top exercise is included. A test will be given at the end of the class.

Designed for: All emergency response personnel
Course length: 8 hours
Course number: 01-04-0007
Course Location(s): Academy, Locally via Outreach

Confined Space Awareness and Safety
Provides identification and awareness information to allow students to make reasonable judgments in confined-space rescue situations. It includes topics such as regulations, response planning, hazard types, personal protective equipment, retrieval equipment, and air quality. Case histories and student exercises provide opportunities to practice planning skills for confined space rescue response, as well as evaluate past incidents.

Designed for: All emergency response personnel
Course Length: 6 hours
Course number: 01-04-0014
Course Location(s): Academy, SPTC, Locally via Outreach
Confined Space Rescue - Technician Level
This course provides practical training in confined-space hazards; air monitoring and ventilation; space isolation techniques; personal protective equipment, including both supplied air, self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA), and respirators; and retrieval systems and retrieval methods. Practical evolutions enable the student to evaluate a specific confined-space incident and perform the necessary procedures to safely and effectively rescue the victim.
Designed for: All emergency response personnel with responsibilities in confined-space rescue
Course Length: 32 hours
Prerequisites: Firefighter I, Basic Firefighter, or Firefighting Essentials, Rescue Technician - Basic and Confined Space: Awareness and Safety. Signed Training Authorization
Course number : 01-04-00012
Course Location(s): Academy, SPTC, Locally via Outreach

Emergency Boat Operations & Rescue
Emergency Boat Operations & Rescue Training is designed to meet the requirements of NFPA standards for surface water boat operators. Its primary goal is to train firefighter and other emergency response personnel who respond to water rescue emergencies using small watercraft in non-moving water situations.
Designed for: Emergency response personnel with responsibility for the operation of motorized water craft in a moving water or flood environment.
Course Length: 24 hours
Prerequisite: Water Rescue - Operations Level
Course number : 01-04-0066
Course Location(s): SPTC, Locally via Outreach

Ice/Cold Water Rescue - Technician Level
Ice/Cold Water Rescue - Technician Level is a 16-hour training program. Advanced level ice rescue training including self-rescue, shore based ice rescue techniques, and ice rescue techniques. This is a hands-on training program which includes a significant amount of on ice time for skill practice. It also addresses the effects of cold water on victims, ice rescue techniques, off shore techniques, and ice rescue equipment. Course will include several scenarios based ice rescue exercises.
Designed for: All emergency response personnel
Course Length: 16 hours
Prerequisite: Ice Rescue - Technician Level
Course number : 01-04-0021
Course Location(s): Academy SPTC, Locally via Outreach

Medium Level Structural Collapse Concepts
This classroom program is designed to provide the background knowledge necessary to perform rescue operations at a structural collapse incident. The course includes instruction on: structural construction considerations such as types of construction, construction techniques, terminology and mechanism of collapse based on structure type; detailed concepts of structural shoring systems; void search and rescue operations in structural collapse incidents; structural collapse team organization and operations concepts.
Designed for: Emergency response personnel with responsibility in structural collapse operations
Course Length: 12 hours
Prerequisite: Basic Structural Collapse Operations
Course number : 01-04-0040
Course Location(s): Academy, Locally via Outreach

Medium Structural Collapse Operations: Exterior Shoring
This two-day program will thoroughly familiarize the student with the exterior shoring techniques needed to safely construct all the types of exterior shores generally needed to conduct safe rescue operations and stabilize the exterior of the structure. Students in this intensive hands-on course will be tested on the proper construction of the various shores needed to accomplish this task.
Designed for: Emergency response personnel with responsibility in structural collapse operations
Course Length: 16 hours
Prerequisites: Rescue Technician - Basic, Basic Structural Collapse Operations, Medium Level Structural Collapse Operations: Tools and Structural Collapse Concepts (or Medium Construction Related to Building Failure and Emergency Rescue Shoring Concepts in place of Medium Level Structural Collapse Concepts)
Materials Fee: $45
Course number : 01-04-0058
Course Location(s): Academy, Locally via Outreach

Medium Structural Collapse Operations: Tools
This two-day program will familiarize the student with the tools used in structural and excavation collapse related incidents. This is an intensive hands-on course and the students will be evaluated on the proper use of the tools provided.
Designed for: All emergency response personnel
Course Length: 16 hours
Prerequisite: Basic Structural Collapse Operations or Basic Trench Collapse Concepts or Trench Rescue: Awareness Level
Materials Fee: $45
Course number : 01-04-0057
Course Location(s): Academy, Locally via Outreach
**Medium Structural Collapse Operations: Void Search and Rescue**

This is a two-day program with intensive practical void search training. The students participate in numerous void search evolutions with emphasis on team concepts, proper search techniques, safety operations, and size up. Simulated rescue scenarios will be conducted with students required to safely extricate victims from void spaces.

**Designed for:** Emergency response personnel with responsibility in structural collapse operations

**Course Length:** 16 hours


**Materials Fee:** $45

**Course number:** 01-04-0060

**Course Location(s):** Academy, Locally via Outreach

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**Passenger Train Emergency Rescue Procedures**

Partnership between Metro North Railroad and OFPC. Content includes: railroad systems, equipment and procedures; normal and emergency operation of equipment; power systems including locomotives, electric equipment and third rail precautions; search and rescue procedures (practical with smoke); victim removal. OSHA compliant protective equipment, SCBA and one spare bottle are required.

**Designed for:** All emergency response personnel

**Course Length:** 8 hours

**Prerequisite:** Firefighter I; Basic Firefighter; or Firefighting Essentials, and students must be physically capable of wearing SCBA and possess current medical clearance for SCBA use. Students not possessing this prerequisite will not be allowed to participate for their own safety.

**Course number:** 01-04-0027

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**Rescue Heavy Rigging**

The purpose of this course is to provide the student the basic principles on the safe and effective operations of working with heavy rigging equipment and cranes used to safely extricate trapped victims in structural collapse situations. The student shall learn to identify, use and maintain the equipment used to rig loads, implement the process of planning a lift as well as rig, lift, and move objects using various hand tools as well as actual hands-on time with a crane.

**Designed for:** Emergency response personnel with responsibility in structural collapse operations

**Course Length:** 16 hours


**Materials Fee:** $40

**Course number:** 01-04-0028

**Course Location(s):** Academy, Locally via Outreach

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**Rope Rescue - Operations Level**

Rope Rescue - Operations Level is a 32-hour training program that provides information and skills to adequately perform basic vertical rope rescue techniques in an urban/suburban environment. While many of the techniques and skills taught in this program are applicable to the wilderness environment, this is not the intent of this program. The overall objective is to improve rescuer awareness of the safety concerns at rope rescue situations and to develop basic skills in rappelling and high-angle rescue systems. Topics include safety orientation, risk assessment, equipment, basic rappelling and ascending, anchoring, belaying, mechanical advantage, patient packaging, incident management, skills evaluation, and testing.

**Designed for:** Emergency response personnel with responsibility in rope rescue

**Course Length:** 32 hours

**Prerequisite:** Rescue Technician - Basic or equivalent

**Course number:** 01-04-0035

**Course Location(s):** Academy, SPTC, Locally via Outreach

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**Rope Rescue - Technician Level I**

This course provides information and skills to perform advanced vertical rope rescue techniques in an urban/suburban environment. The overall objective is to improve rescuer awareness of the safety concerns at rope rescue situations and to develop advanced skills in high angle rescue techniques and systems. Topics include ascending, pickoffs, knot passing, team operations, advanced litter packaging, rigging and lowering as well as horizontal and high/low tensioned systems. This program also includes written testing as well as skills evaluation.

**Designed for:** Emergency response personnel with responsibility in rope rescue

**Course Length:** 24 hours

**Prerequisite:** Rope Rescue - Operations Level

**Course number:** 01-04-0032

**Course Location(s):** Academy, SPTC, Locally via Outreach

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**Rope Rescue - Technician Level II**

This course provides additional information and skills required to perform advanced vertical and horizontal rope rescue techniques in an urban/suburban environment. The overall objective is to improve rescuer awareness of safety concerns at rope rescue situations and to develop
advanced skills in high angle rescue techniques and systems. Topics include vertical low tensioned systems (offsets) and horizontal and steep tensioned systems (highlines). This program also includes written as well as skill evaluations.

**Designed for:** Emergency response personnel with responsibility in rope rescue

**Course Length:** 32 hours

**Prerequisite:** Rope Rescue - Technician Level I

**Course number:** 01-04-0037

**Course Location(s):** Academy, Locally via Outreach

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**School Bus Rescue**

The School Bus Rescue Course provides advanced training to personnel in the specific hazards and problems associated with performing rescues from school buses. The program focuses on many aspects of school buses including: construction; safety systems; and extrication strategies.

**Designed for:** All emergency response personnel

**Course Length:** 4 hours

**Course number:** 01-04-0038

**Course Location(s):** Academy, Locally via Outreach

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**School Bus Rescue Practical Skills**

This is a practical training session which allows students to apply concepts presented during the School Bus Rescue Course and begin to establish proficiency in related extrication skills. Students attending this course will be provided information relating to: tool placement and staging, anatomy of a school bus, school bus stabilization, primary entry, secondary entry, patient packaging and extrication and bus rollovers.

**Designed for:** All emergency response personnel

**Course Length:** 4 hours

**Prerequisite:** Bus Rescue (# O/39) or School Bus Rescue

**Course number:** 01-04-0039

**Course Location(s):** Academy, Locally via Outreach

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**Structural Collapse Series**

This course is the combination of the following OFPC structural collapse courses: MSCO: Tools, MSCO: Exterior Shoring, MSCO: Interior Shoring, MSCO: Void Search and Rescue, Rescue Heavy Rigging, and Concrete Breaching and Breaking. Separately, the aforementioned courses total 12 days of instruction. In this academy style format of back-to-back in two 5 day weeks, all course content is delivered in a 10 days.

**Designed for:** All emergency response personnel

**Course Length:** 80 hours

**Prerequisite:** Basic Structural Collapse Operations, Medium Level Structural Collapse Concepts, and Rescue Technician Basic

**Course number:** 01-04-0089

**Course Location(s):** Academy, Locally via Outreach

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**Surface Water Rescue**

This course is designed for water rescue in flat or slow moving water in lakes, pond, rivers and bays. It meets the NFPA 1006 standards for Surface Water Rescue at the awareness, operations, and Technician levels. This course covers all aspects of water rescue using the Preach, Reach, Throw, Row and Go methodology. The course is 16 hour long and includes classroom, a pool session, and an open water session. Students should have the ability to swim well and be in good physical condition.

**Designed for:** All emergency response personnel

**Course Length:** 16 hours

**Prerequisite:** None

**Course number:** 01-04-0085

**Course Location(s):** SPTC, Locally via Outreach

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**Swift-Water/Flood - Rescue Technician**

This course provides basic to advanced level swift-water/flood rescue training including self-rescue in swift-water, go rescues, boat based rescues, and rope systems for swift-water rescue. This is a hands-on training program which requires participants to spend a significant amount of time mastering water rescue skills in fast moving water.

**Course also includes several scenario based water rescue exercises.**

**Designed for:** All emergency response personnel involved in water rescue emergencies

**Course Length:** 32 hours

**Prerequisites:** Rescue Technician-Basic or Rescue Operations

**Course number:** 01-04-0051

**Course Location(s):** Academy, Locally via Outreach

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**Trench Rescue - Awareness Level**

This course will discuss problems that can and do occur in trench rescue incidents. Safety techniques, shoring techniques, proper procedures, team operations, and hazard assessment will all be discussed and explained in depth.

**Designed for:** All emergency response personnel

**Course Length:** 8 hours

**Course number:** 01-04-0008

**Course Location(s):** Academy, Locally via Outreach

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**Trench Rescue - Operations Level**

This two-day program consists of intense hands-on training in the field of trench rescue. The students will be taught several ways to shore trenches, the different types of extrication techniques, proper rescue site management, as well as the proper safety concepts needed to complete a safe and successful rescue. There will be live exercises in which the students will actually extricate a trapped victim from an open trench scenario.

**Designed for:** Emergency response personnel with responsibility in trench collapse operations

**Course Length:** 16 hours

**Prerequisites:** Rescue Technician - Basic, Medium Structural Collapse Operations: Tools and Trench Rescue - Awareness Level

**Materials Fee:** $45

**Course number:** 01-04-0042

**Course Location(s):** Academy, Locally via Outreach

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Trench Rescue - Technician Level
Designed to increase the skills learned in the basic trench rescue class. Rescue operations in intersecting, L-shaped, and deep trenches will be covered. Advanced trench rescue shoring techniques and concepts will also be shown.
Designed for: Emergency response personnel with responsibility in trench collapse operations
Course Length: 16 hours
Prerequisites: Rescue Technician - Basic, Trench Rescue - Awareness Level, Basic Trench Collapse Operations or Trench Rescue - Operations Level, and Medium Structural Collapse Operations: Tools
Materials Fee: $45
Course number: 01-04-0043
Course Location(s): Academy, Locally via Outreach

Water Rescue - Awareness Level
This course provides an overview of water safety and rescue issues including: hazard assessment, responder safety, risk management, hypothermia, near-drowning, basic water search techniques, basic shore-based rescue techniques, incident management issues, and water rescue equipment.
Designed for: All emergency response personnel
Course Length: 4 hours
Course number: 01-04-0052
Course Location(s): Academy, Locally via Outreach

Swift Water Rescue Operations
This course is designed to introduce firefighters and EMS personnel to water rescue at the operations (shore based) level of response. The course contains information on: hazards, medical considerations, incident management, on self-rescue, PPE and rescue techniques. Practical training is also provided in self-rescue and shore based rescue skills.
Designed for: All emergency response personnel involved in water rescue emergencies
Course Length: 24 hours
Course number: 01-04-0053
Course Location(s): Academy, SPTC, Locally via Outreach

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

County Fire Coordinator Conference
Includes orientation and training for new or recently appointed personnel as well as basic staff and command training for those with county-level fire service responsibility.
Materials Fee: $5
Course number: 01-14-0005
Course Location(s): Academy
Note: By invitation only

County Weekend
Several weekends are reserved each year for county weekends. A guaranteed enrollment of 150 is required for an exclusive weekend.
Designed for: All emergency response personnel
Course Length: 12 hours
Materials Fee: $5
Course Location(s): Academy

FASNY EMS Conference
This is a two-day seminar conducted by the Emergency Medical Service (EMS) Committee of the Firemen's Association of the State of New York (FASNY).
Designed for: All emergency response personnel interested in emergency medical training
Course Length: 14 hours
Materials Fee: $5
Course Location(s): Academy

Fire Service Explorer Weekend
Fire Service Explorer Weekends allow members of participating Explorer Posts to gain practical experience in the field of firefighting and emergency medical service. The 12-hour program includes activities and instruction on fire and EMS topics, including fire prevention, personal protective equipment, hose and ladder evolutions, search and rescue, firefighter survival, basic rescue skills, accident victim extraction and spinal immobilization. First-time participants focus on basic skills, with more advanced skills being taught each year that the candidate returns. Participants must submit medical clearance, medical history and parental permission forms with their registration.
Designed for: Fire department Explorer Scouts

Instructor Authorization Conference
Involves annual authorization of state fire instructors (SFI), municipal training officers (MTO), municipal fire instructors (MFI), and county fire instructors (CFI).
Materials Fee: $5
Course number: 01-14-0015
Course Location(s): Academy
Note: By invitation only

Fire Service Women of New York State Training Conference
This annual training conference brings together career and volunteer women firefighters from throughout New York State and beyond. Each year a variety of workshops and classes are offered to the attendees. This training conference is co-sponsored by the New York State Office of Fire Prevention and Control and Fire Service Women of New York State, Inc.
Designed for: Female fire service personnel
Materials Fee: $5
Course number: 01-14-0012
Course Location(s): Academy

Regional Fire Administrator Conference
The annual meeting and in-service training of Regional Fire Administrators appointed to coordinate the New York State Fire Mobilization and Mutual Aid Plan.
Materials Fee: $5
Course number: 01-14-0034
Course Location(s): Academy
Note: By invitation only

Technical Rescue Conference
The conference is open to all responders and includes lectures and practical skill sessions in a variety of subjects including rope, confined space, structural collapse, water, vehicle, machinery and trench rescue as well as incident & team management training.
Materials Fee: $5
Course number: 01-04-0071
Course Location(s): Academy, SPTC
Volunteer Fire Police
Association Conference
This is a one-day conference conducted
by the Fire Police Committee of the
Volunteer Fire Police Association of the
State of New York.
Designed for: Fire service personnel
designated as fire police
Course Length: 8 hours
Materials Fee: $5
Course number: 01-14-0022
Course Location(s): Academy
NYS ACADEMY OF FIRE SCIENCE
FEES AND REGISTRATION
INSTRUCTIONS

REGISTRATION FORMS
Academy courses require written pre-registration via mail or fax to the Academy using the approved form. Telephone reservations are not accepted. If you require additional forms, download at www.dhses.ny.gov/ofpc or call the Academy. Contact your County Fire Coordinator or Municipal Training Officer for Outreach Program registration protocol.

COURSE REGISTRATION FEE - NONREFUNDABLE
Outreach Program: no fee
Academy:
   NYS Residents - $25; Out-of-State - $50
   Payable in advance with registration form

MATERIALS FEE
See course descriptions.
Materials fee may be paid upon arrival.
Required text books are not included in materials fee and must be purchased separately. Refer to course description and/or confirmation.

ACCOMMODATION FEE
Academy Resident: $40/day includes lodging and all meals
Academy Commuter: $8/day includes breakfast and lunch
Resident fee shown on course schedule has been adjusted for Sunday night arrivals or Friday afternoon departures (no dinner).
Commuter fee shown on course schedule has been adjusted for 1pm start times (no breakfast). Commuters are invited to purchase dinner meal tickets (by 11am) at $9/day if program requires mandatory evening sessions.
Bagged lunches are available upon request for off campus courses or departing students.
Outreach Program: Student responsibility

PAYMENT METHOD
Fees may be paid by check, money order, or PO/Voucher payable to “Academy of Fire Science.” If MasterCard or VISA is being used, the registration form must include a credit card number, expiration date and signature. Registration fee must accompany the registration form.

PREREQUISITE COURSES
Proof of completion is required for residential courses at the Academy.

ACCEPTANCE
Students receive written notification of acceptance. This notification also details mandatory registration and accommodation fees as well as any associated course material fee referenced in course descriptions.
NYS PREPAREDNESS TRAINING CENTER

REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS
The State Preparedness Training Center uses an Online registration system known as SNAP. To register for OFPC training Courses at the SPTC go to: http://www.dhsses.ny.gov//training/calendar/?agency=SPTC choose the course announcement for the course and follow the directions to register.

COURSE REGISTRATION FEE
NY State Residents: No fees
Out-of-state: at this time SPTC is not accepting out of state students for OFPC courses.

ACCOMMODATION FEE
Off campus lodging at local hotels is available for student. Students who live and work more than 50 miles from the SPTC and are members of a response agency from within NY State are eligible for no cost lodging provided by SPTC. Request lodging option in the registration process, if eligible you will receive lodging information in your acceptance confirmation email. Lunch is provided during classes at the SPTC all other meals are the students responsibility.

PREREQUISITE COURSES
If prerequisite course are required, they will be listed on the course announcement and in the registration process. OFPC Staff will check prerequisites before accepting students into the course. If there are questions about prerequisite courses, you may be contacted to verify prerequisites.

ACCEPTANCE
Students will receive an email to acknowledge registration shortly after completing registration. This acknowledgment is not acceptance into the course, notification of acceptance into the course will be in a separate email from STPC staff. This email will contain additional course information and lodging confirmation.

At this time SPTC is not accepting out of state students for OFPC courses. This issue is currently being reviewed and may change in the future.