The New York State Office of Fire Prevention and Control (OFPC) is proud to announce the 35th Annual New York State Weekend at the National Fire Academy.

NYS Weekend check-in at the NFA begins on April 29, 2022 after 2:00 p.m. The weekend agenda will be distributed at check-in. Classes will commence on Friday, April 29, 2022, and continue Saturday, April 30th and Sunday, May 1, 2022 (see tentative itinerary of events). Those wishing to attend the 2022 weekend must register for ONE specific NYS Weekend 2022 NFA course using the LMS link listed below the specific course you wish to attend NO LATER THAN March 4, 2022.

Effective November 27, 2021 all students participating in resident training at the National Emergency Training Center (NETC) for the National Fire Academy (NFA) or Emergency Management Institute (EMI) must be fully vaccinated*. This additional mitigation measure is in place to provide a safe learning and working environment for all students, instructors, and staff on the NETC campus.

Upon arrival on the NETC campus, students must provide visual proof of their vaccination status to authorized NETC personnel (NETC Housing Desk, Building C-West).

Acceptable documentation includes a physical or electronic copy of:

- The record of immunization from a health care provider or pharmacy.
- Medical records documenting the vaccination.
- Immunization records from a public health of state immunization system.
- Any other official documentation containing:
  - Type of vaccine administered
  - Numbers of doses received
  - Date(s) of administration, and
  - Name of the health care professional(s) or clinic site(s) administering the vaccine(s)

The NETC campus will no longer accept a negative COVID-19 test, or other accommodations, to attend in-person training. On-campus testing will not be available. In addition, please refrain from traveling to NETC if you are “ill” in any fashion.

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Fire Prevention and Control at NYSWeekend@dhses.ny.gov or call (518)474-6746.
How to Apply

New York State Weekend Registration:
Click on ONE of the NYS LMS registration links listed below the specific NFA course you would like to attend on the following pages. Once you are enrolled by OFPC in the course you requested, you will be directed to apply for the course on the National Emergency Training Center (NETC) on-line application website. DO NOT complete the NETC on-line application until directed to do so by OFPC.

Student FEMA Student Identification Number (SID):
NFA no longer uses Social Security Numbers for their application process. Instead, a unique identifier to record class registration, send acceptance and rejection notifications, provide stipend reimbursement (when appropriate), and record course performance and transcripts will be used. A FEMA SID is required to register and to participate in any training provided by FEMA agencies. The FEMA SID serves as your personal identification number and links all your FEMA training records under one account to simplify keeping track of your FEMA training accomplishments.

If you are interested in applying for a National Fire Academy course, you need to register for a FEMA SID.

To obtain a SID:
2. Select "Register for a FEMA SID."
3. Follow the instructions to create your account.
4. You will receive an email with your SID. Save this number in a secure location.

NOTE: This is not the same as your NYS training ID.

Selection will be based on the National Fire Academy’s Selection criteria: as well as the fire service background and description of how this course relates to your current duties as provided on the application.

Cost:
There is no cost to attend training or for lodging at the National Fire Academy. Students attending the NYS Weekend are responsible for their own meals (NFA weekend meal ticket is $96.86) and transportation. Further details will be provided in the confirmation correspondence.

Student Selection:
The National Fire Academy conducts specialized training courses and advanced management programs of national impact. The NFA offers courses and programs in a concentrated, residential setting that is conducive to intensive learning. On-campus programs target middle-and top-level
fire officers, fire service instructors, technical professionals, and representatives from allied professions. Students must have a minimum of five years of firefighting experience and meet the NFA Student Criteria or Target Audience as listed under the course description. The NFA will accommodate 100 students at the 2022 New York State Weekend. Selection preference will be given to members of fire departments participating in the NYS fire reporting system, with submission of reports for 8 out of the 12 months of calendar year 2019.

Students must meet the NFA campus requirement of completion of ICS-100 and ICS-200.

Stand-by:
Applicants rejected because of courses being filled will be placed on a Stand-by list. In the event of an opening through a cancellation, those placed on Stand-by will be notified March 11, 2022.

Substitution:
Only emergency substitutions are permitted after March 20, 2022 per the National Fire Academy.

Cancellations:
Cancellations on April 1, 2022 or later will be considered a NO SHOW, unless absence is caused by an emergency as deemed appropriate by OFPC/NFA. Applicants designated as No Shows will be denied admission for the next 24 months per NFA policy. To cancel contact our office at (518)474-6746 or e-mail NYSweekend@dhses.ny.gov as soon as possible.

Course Selection:
Selection and prioritization are based on applicants meeting NFA course criteria. Students must have a minimum of five years of fire service experience and duty assignment. Early registration is recommended as applications received after the deadline may not be considered.

Course Registration Schedule:
March 4, 2022: Deadline for on-line NYS LMS course registration.
March 11, 2022: Notifications of persons selected will be made. Rejections and stand-by applicants will also be notified. Confirmations and itinerary will be sent.
March 20, 2022: Deadline for cancellations.
March 22, 2022: Stand-by applicants will be contacted to fill spaces created by cancellations.

Tentative Itinerary of Events:
- Friday, April 29, 2022: You may check-in to your lodging room after 2:00 PM. You may join your fellow classmates in the dining hall in building “K” at your designated mealtime.
- Friday, April 29, 2022- 6:00 p.m.: Mandatory Orientation, Building “J” auditorium.
○ **Friday, April 29, 2022- 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.:** All Classes will commence, please report to your classroom immediately following orientation.

○ **Saturday, April 30, 2022:** classes will be held in Building “J.” from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., a brief memorial service will be held at the Fallen Firefighters Memorial at 5:15 p.m. If weather becomes an issue an alternate site will be announced.

○ Following the memorial service, you may eat at the dining hall at your designated mealtime.

○ **Sunday, May 1, 2022:** check – out, classes will continue at 8:00 a.m.

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**2022 NEW YORK STATE WEEKEND COURSE OFFERINGS**  
**APRIL 29- MAY 1, 2022**  
**NATIONAL FIRE ACADEMY, EMMITSBURG, MARYLAND**

**W0770 – Fire Investigation: First Responders – (NEW)**

**W0770 course LMS registration link:**

W0770 - FIRE INVESTIGATION: FIRST RESPONDERS (01-11-0171) - 001

This two-day course presents a basic overview of a fire investigation for the first responder. Students will review the basics of fire chemistry and develop an understanding of the role of the first responder in relation to fire suppression and fire investigation.

The course will stress the importance of fire scene awareness, evidence identification, preservation, and the basics of a fire investigation. Students will develop an appreciation of the convergence of suppression, investigation, science, and law.

**Selection criteria:**

Fire and emergency services personnel who respond to fires or might conduct preliminary investigations into the origin and cause of fires.

**Course Syllabus Link:** [https://nfa.usfa.fema.gov/ax/syll/syllabus_w0770.pdf](https://nfa.usfa.fema.gov/ax/syll/syllabus_w0770.pdf)
This two-day course is designed to assist emergency services personnel in defining and advocating organizational change within the fire service relating to safety.

Topics include:

- Safety and risk cultures within organizations.
- Influences on safety culture and risk categories.
- Concepts, goals, and processes of risk management.

The course incorporates facilitated student-centered methodologies including lecture, small and large group activities, and individual assessments.

Selection criteria:
The primary target audience includes anyone in emergency services with an interest in changing culture in his or her organization.
The secondary target audience includes all interested individuals and community people who are responsible for risk management.

Prerequisites:
Incident Command System (ICS)-100-level and ICS-200-level training. Preferred courses are Q0462 and Q0463, available through NFA Online. Chief's signature attests that the applicant has completed this required training.

Course Syllabus Link: [https://nfa.usfa.fema.gov/ax/syll/syllabus_w0349.pdf](https://nfa.usfa.fema.gov/ax/syll/syllabus_w0349.pdf)

Instructions to download student manual:
[https://nfa.usfa.fema.gov/ax/pcm/BYOD_Instructions_0349.pdf](https://nfa.usfa.fema.gov/ax/pcm/BYOD_Instructions_0349.pdf)
conversations and advocacy-inquiry based dialogue; ethics; authority; power; decision-making; and active engagement through development of a personal plan.

Selection criteria:
The primary target audience for this course are those individuals who are at the first line level of supervision. For purposes of student selection first line level is considered to be those at the Company Officer or Unit (fire prevention, fire education, communications, EMS, etc.) Supervisor level.

More specifically primary selection criteria are as follows:
- First line supervisors in fire and emergency medical services organizations.
- Fire and emergency medical services personnel due for promotion/appointment to a first line supervisory position within 18 months.
- Fire and emergency medical services personnel who are regularly assigned acting supervisory positions.

Fire and EMS personnel currently enrolled in the National Fire Academy Managing Officer Program will be provided priority selection.

The secondary target audiences are fire and EMS personnel at the first line management level (Chief Officer or above). Students at this level may be given consideration on a space available basis.

Prerequisites:
ICS-100-level and ICS-200-level training. Preferred courses are Q0462 and Q0463, available through NFA Online. Chief's signature attests that the applicant has completed this required training.

Course Syllabus Link: https://nfa.usfa.fema.gov/ax/syll/syllabus_w0646.pdf
Instructions to download Student Manual:

W0761 – New Fire Chief: Administrative Issues

W0761 course LMS registration link:
W0761-NEW FIRE CHIEF II: ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES (01-11-0147) - 001

This two-day course is to provide students with the managerial, administrative and leadership skills and awareness necessary for new or recently appointed or elected chiefs to effectively meet their obligations of the position.
Selection criteria:
The primary audience is newly appointed fire chiefs in volunteer, combination or career departments, as well as Emergency Medical Services (EMS) chiefs.

The secondary audience is department leaders and current officers who may become fire chiefs, as well as local government administrators and elected officials who are involved in the administration of a fire department or EMS.

Prerequisites:
ICS-100-level and ICS-200-level training. Preferred courses are Q0462 and Q0463, available through NFA Online. The chief's signature attests that the applicant has completed this required training.

Course Syllabus Link: [https://nfa.usfa.fema.gov/ax/syll/syllabus_w0761.pdf](https://nfa.usfa.fema.gov/ax/syll/syllabus_w0761.pdf)

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**W0458 – Preparation for Initial Company Operations**

*W0458 course LMS registration link:*

W0458-PREPARATION FOR INITIAL COMPANY OPERATIONS (01-11-0173) - 001

This two-day course is designed to develop a better understanding of the role and responsibilities of Company Officers (COs) in preparing their company for incident operations and to clarify the transition from firefighter to CO and the new roles relating to leadership and safety.

This course is designed for COs, acting COs, or senior firefighters responsible for the management of a single fire company at an emergency incident, including those officers who are responsible for company readiness, personnel safety, and leadership as it relates to company operation.

Selection criteria:
COs, acting officers, or senior firefighters who command a fire company during emergency operations. Those officers who are responsible for maintaining skills and company readiness.

Prerequisites:
Incident Command System (ICS)-100-level and ICS-200-level training. Preferred courses are Q0462 and Q0463, available through NFA Online. The chief's signature attests that the applicant has completed this required training.

Course Syllabus Link: [https://nfa.usfa.fema.gov/ax/syll/syllabus_w0458.pdf](https://nfa.usfa.fema.gov/ax/syll/syllabus_w0458.pdf)

Instructions to download student manual:
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