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— 2022 —  
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The Academy offers multiple ways of delivering high-quality training and education to meet your needs for 2022. These include: expanded course offerings in virtual training; hybrid classes that begin online and end on campus; traditional in-person instruction on our main campus; training via the OFA's Close to Home series; by request; or by online training via the Ohio Fire Online Training System (OFOTS). See page 9 for more information on the Close to Home series. For by-request courses, call the OFA registrar at 614-752-7196.

### CAMPUS

Campus: Courses provided at the Academy's Reynoldsburg location.

### VIRTUAL

Virtual: Courses delivered entirely through online presentation.

### HYBRID

Hybrid: Courses that begin online and finish on campus.

### CLOSE TO HOME

The Close to Home series brings training to students while offering the same expert instructors and OFA's extensive range of apparatus, equipment and training simulators. Close to Home has three delivery types:  
**Direct Delivery:** Individual courses are offered at the department's location of choice, and at times selected by the department.

**Regional Delivery:** These are courses made available to multiple departments in a region. If firefighters from three or more departments are enrolled, the Academy will provide the course(s) at no cost.

**Custom Delivery:** This selection is for specific training needs designated by your department. The Academy will work with your department to put together a course that meets your needs.

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### Look for these abbreviations throughout

- SFM – State Fire Marshal
- OFA – Ohio Fire Academy
- NFPA – National Fire Protection Association
- IFSAC – International Fire Service Accreditation Congress
- USFA – United States Fire Administration
- ODPS – Ohio Department of Public Safety
- O.A.C. – Ohio Administrative Code
- O.R.C. – Ohio Revised Code
- NFIRS – National Fire Incident Reporting System
- OFIRS – Ohio Fire Incident Reporting System



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# Ohio Fire Academy

## Our Vision:

To be recognized as the national premier leader in the development and delivery of fire, emergency medical services, and emergency responder training programs.

## Our Mission:

To provide fire service personnel and other allied professionals with training, education and accredited courses that are consistent with nationally recognized standards to improve the safety and proficiency of Ohio's Fire Service.



## Academy History

**1967:** Ohio State Firemen's Training Academy, now known as the Ohio Fire Academy, is established. Since then, the OFA has served more than 600,000 first responders.

**1999:** OFA purchased two engines and a ladder, bringing its apparatus to a modern state, and introduced the Mobile Fire Behavior Lab.

**2002:** OFA's third burn building went into service.

**2006:** Several major infrastructure projects were started to improve training grounds that continue today, including a 70-bed dorm facility and renovated classrooms. The OFA built a driver's training pad, purchased Engine 4, installed campus-wide generator/electrical upgrades, added new metal roofs and renovated the apparatus building.

**2011:** Introduced online CEUs for Ohio's fire and EMS providers, which now has over 18,000 users. Engine 3 was

purchased and refurbished. Introduced largest and most comprehensive Grain Bin Rescue Trailer in the nation.

**2012:** Placed S&R Trailer and new Mobile Fire Behavior Lab in service and formed partnership with COTC.

**2014:** Partnered with Findlay Fire Department to use its Mobile FireBlast Live Fire Training Trailer.

**2016:** Implemented Acadis Operating System to manage all OFA day-to-day operations.

**2017:** Introduced Mobile Driving Simulator; purchased Heavy Rescue truck; renovated training tower. Named one of the nation's top fire training academies by FireRescue1 magazine.

**2018:** OFA underwent reaccreditation process with IFSAC, successfully accrediting 35 levels.

**2020:** Purchased a new engine and a 100-foot ladder tower.

## A message from the Marshal



**Kevin S. Reardon**

Dear Fellow Fire Service Member,

As we prepare for the issuance of a new catalog containing the training available from the Ohio Fire Academy, I can't help but think back over the past year and a half to look at the path that we have been down. When COVID arrived we were faced with many challenges, and we had to react to those challenges based on information and data that was sometimes incomplete. In March of 2020, the Division of State Fire Marshal along with many other state agencies and private sector agencies sent people home as a result of the rapid spread of COVID-19. At the time, the Ohio Fire Academy had just started a Firefighter I and Firefighter II training class on our campus. Timing could not have been worse for these students.

We were just like everyone else in the public and private sector trying to find our way through the maze of things to do and not to do. Suddenly, we had to figure out ways of conducting training in a new environment. The Ohio Fire Academy rose to the occasion and immediately recognized that we needed to find new ways to train Ohio's Firefighters. Fast forward to today and I am proud to say that the staff of the Ohio Fire Academy more than met the challenge by converting 26 of our 80 different course offerings into completely online courses or hybrid courses with a mixture of face-to-face training with online training. This took a tremendous amount of work on the behalf of our instructing staff to make sure that these courses were relevant to the Ohio fire service and that they would fill the training gap that we still see in the fire service today.

As an outcome of this action, we have seen that many fire departments are taking advantage of the availability of these online courses. I take great pride in saying that the instructors that we have at the Ohio fire Academy are indeed the best of the best. I have witnessed this over and over as I have periodically observed many different classes while they are in progress. Our instructors are committed and dedicated to providing the highest level of training in the best possible environment so that firefighters are prepared and properly trained to face the hazards of this profession.

I encourage you to look at our many course offerings and consider enrollment so that you too can establish that relationship with our instructing staff to benefit your training as a firefighter. Looking ahead at our future, we are working on plans to bring many new features and many new structures to our training ground to help us begin to prepare the next generation of firefighters for training. A great deal of planning and discussion has gone into this process with the primary focus on making sure that we are creating a training campus for the future that will result in the best trained and best prepared firefighters that we can produce.

As a closing thought I want to thank all of you in Ohio's fire service for your dedication and commitment to serving the needs of Ohioans 24/7. Your commitment and your dedication are critical in helping us protect the lives and properties of millions of Ohioans. I wish you much luck and success in the future and again thank you for considering the Ohio Fire Academy.

Sincerely,

Kevin S. Reardon  
State Fire Marshal

## A letter from the Superintendent



**Jack Smith**

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

“Peoples’ lives depend on how good we are at our jobs.” “Can you ever know enough about a job that can kill you?” “We must be lifelong learners in this job.”

These phrases and others that we read in trade journals and share with our students serve as thought provoking reminders of what is truly at stake every day we go to work, to help us all fight complacency, and to remind us that being a firefighter is more of a calling than a job.

We all know that the constant changes in pre-hospital patient care modalities, building construction, modern furnishings, hazardous materials, and every other aspect of our society demands that we train constantly in order to stay current with the ever-evolving hazards that we are regularly exposed to. To complacently ignore these ongoing changes allows our knowledge, skills, and abilities to age out and gradually become irrelevant which increases our individual and collective risk and reduces our effectiveness as professionals. This is the very definition of the metaphorical “dinosaur” that we all talk about. Even when we move on to retirement, we can lay “dinosaur eggs;” meaning that outdated information, tactics, and strategies continue to live on in our departments.

As an example, in the fall of 2021, I had the opportunity to attend the Underwriters’ Laboratories Fire Dynamics Bootcamp®. This two-day symposium presented the most current research on fire behavior involving modern day household furnishings and modern building construction and how these factors played a role in many firefighter line of duty deaths (LODDs). Yet, when I interact with folks around the state as well as other state fire academy chiefs from across the U.S. and Canada, we continue to find pockets of “dinosaur eggs,” AKA 1950s – 1970s era strategies and tactics still in use today.

It is appalling how many fireground LODDs occur from direct fire exposure when operational hose lines were in place right outside the window because we are afraid of “pushing fire” or “causing steam injuries.” Forensic analysis and full scale recreations of these incidents along with UL-led acquired structure burns all across the nation reveal that properly applied fire streams (i.e. straight streams) drastically cool the interior fire gases, overcoming any nominal steam conversion, and actually have a greater effect on lifting the smoke and heat off the floor and improving the tenability of those spaces for fire victims.

If we are going to improve the fireground survival rate for ourselves and those we are trying to rescue, we need to put the dinosaur eggs in the museum where they belong. We need to stop attempting to cool the fire with indiscriminate ventilation which just gives it all the oxygen it needs to explode and actually prioritize our focus on cooling the fire and the smoke out in front of our advancing line with intelligently aggressive application of water.

The Ohio Fire Academy continues to incorporate these findings into a wide range of classes from recruit to Fire Officer I-IV, Strategies & Tactics, Fire Behavior Lab, and one of our newest classes, Perfecting the Initial Line. You can also access the research findings on the UL’s Fire Safety Academy website at <https://training.fsri.org/>

Stay safe and stay sharp.

Jack Smith II, M.A., EMT-P  
Superintendent, Ohio Fire Academy

# 2022 training options are

The COVID-19 pandemic has forced many changes to the lives of all of us. The Academy has adapted to a changed world by offering multiple delivery options for quality training in the coming year. These include: Expanded course offerings in virtual training;

hybrid classes that begin online and end on campus; traditional instruction on our main campus; via the OFA's Close to Home series; by request; or by online training via the Ohio Fire Online Training System (OFOTS).

## On-Campus Training

This traditional method of training offers in-person, instructor-led classes that are held at the Ohio Fire Academy's Reynoldsburg campus. On Campus training gives students the opportunity

to interact and learn from some of the most respected and experienced instructors from across the state of Ohio.

All on-campus courses throughout the Academy's 2022 catalog will feature this logo:


MAIN CAMPUS

## Virtual Training

Virtual Instructor-Led Training (VILT) uses the Microsoft Teams environment with the instructors and students in separate locations (synchronous learning). All the lectures and in-class activities are conducted online in this format. Some courses

may also require students to complete additional homework assignments on their own. Certification courses require students to demonstrate competency by successfully passing computer-based final exams. These exams can only be completed on campus.

To locate a virtual course offering:

- 1) Go to: <https://ofa.com.ohio.gov/AcadisViewer/Registration/ListOfAvailableTraining>
- 2) Click on the  icon at the top of the page, and type the word virtual in the Keyword box. This will populate a list of all virtual course offerings.

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
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## Hybrid Training

This training starts online with a combination of Virtual Instructor-Led Training (VILT) and online self-paced homework assignments. This computer-based training generally lasts for 4-6 weeks before the course moves to face-to-face instructional activities on our main campus, or at

another predetermined location. Certification courses are then concluded on campus with students successfully completing both hands-on skills assessments and computer-based final exams. Computer-based and practical skills testing for certification courses can only be completed on campus.

To locate a hybrid course offering:

- 1) Go to: <https://ofa.com.ohio.gov/AcadisViewer/Registration/ListOfAvailableTraining>
- 2) Click on the  icon at the top of the page, and type the word hybrid in the Keyword box. This will populate a list of all virtual course offerings.

All hybrid training courses throughout the Academy's 2022 catalog will feature this logo:

HYBRID

## By-Request Training

These are courses that are not regularly scheduled, but can be offered if demand meets minimum enrollment requirements.

Please contact the Ohio Fire Academy Registrar Office at 614-752-7196 for more information.

All by-request courses throughout the Academy's 2022 catalog will feature this logo:

BY REQUEST

## Online Training

Online training is a computer based, self-paced (asynchronous) learning environment that takes place on the internet at your convenience. The Academy has arranged for greatly reduced pricing for online training memberships for all Ohio fire departments, EMS agencies, individual firefighters and EMS providers. Memberships

feature content from Public Safety Group (PSG) RECERT, 24/7 – Fire and 24/7 – EMS and Action Training Systems. This content can be used during initial certification training or for continuing education requirements. Every course is approved by the OFA to meet your department or individual training needs.

To find Online training course offerings, go to: [www.ofots.com](http://www.ofots.com).



# available in many forms

## Close to Home Training

The OFA Close to Home series brings training to students while offering the same expert instructors and OFA's extensive range of apparatus, equipment and training simulators. To better manage time and resources, students can select from a wide range of courses taught at a location and time near them. Times include days, evenings and/or weekends.

Close to Home has three delivery types: Direct, Regional

All Close to Home courses throughout the Academy's 2022 catalog will feature this logo: **CLOSE TO HOME**



Fire Blast Trailer



Chlorine Leak Simulator



Mobile Search & Rescue Training Lab



Grain Bin Trailer

and Custom. Fire departments may choose the delivery type and topics that best suit their needs and OFA will do the rest. Additional information about custom course services is available on request.

To request a Direct or Regional Delivery course, go to [ofa.com](http://ofa.com). [ohio.gov](http://ohio.gov) to submit a web form (one form per each requested course offering). See below for additional contact information.

## Close to Home delivery options

### Direct Delivery:

Individual courses are offered at the department's location of choice, and at times selected by the department. The OFA has a list of designated Direct Delivery courses that departments can select from.

These courses range from the Understanding Fire Behavior course (flashover trailer) to HazMat Awareness. The Academy has designated instructors ready to provide these courses to your department. The Direct Delivery application must be submitted at least 45 days prior to the course start date.

### Regional Delivery:

These are courses offered as a single course or in groups of courses (mini fire schools) made available to multiple departments in a region. If these courses are offered to firefighters from three or more departments and they meet the minimum/maximum student requirements, your offering will meet the requirements for a Regional Delivery and the Academy will provide the course(s) at no cost.

The Regional Delivery application(s) must be submitted by an Ohio fire department at least 45 days prior to the course start date and must be approved prior to offering.

### Custom Delivery:

This selection is for specific training needs designated by your department. There may be a hazard in your coverage area your department needs to know how to deal with, or you may need a more advanced course for an area your department already is proficient in. With Custom Delivery, the Academy works with you and your department to put together a course that meets your department's needs. No matter the subject, the Academy can provide high-quality training at a time and location convenient for you.

**For more information, contact:**

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# OFA accommodations



**TOP:** Academy dorm rooms feature new mattresses installed in 2020, work space and private bathrooms. **ABOVE:** Cybex fitness machines and other equipment including free weights are also available to students during their on-campus stay.

## Convenience, affordability make rooms a good choice

The Ohio Fire Academy offers modern and affordable accommodations that are conveniently located adjacent to the training grounds. Room rates are \$30 per day for a double occupancy room or \$60 per day for a single occupancy room. For the Firefighter I & II and EMT Basic students, dorms are only offered as semi-private rooms.

All rooms feature new mattresses installed in 2020, cable television, closet space, desks, work space, and private bathrooms.

In addition, the academy offers a student lounge equipped with cable television, pool and foosball tables and meeting space for after-hours group coursework or for socializing.

Students also have access to our physical training facility equipped with a wide range of workout equipment including free weights and Cybex machines. An aerobics room also is available.

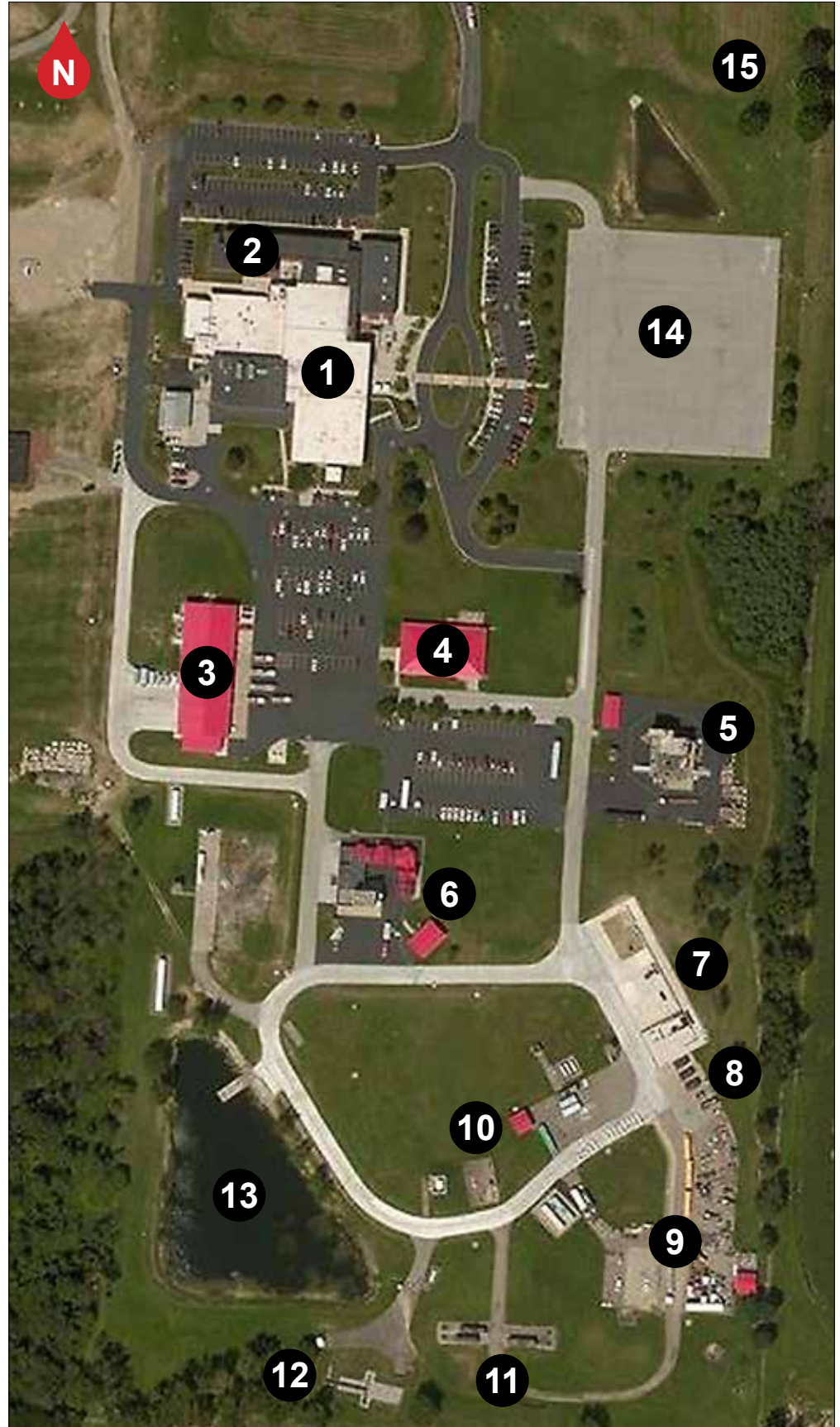
# SFM / Academy grounds

The State Fire Marshal's office is located at 8895 E. Main St., Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068. The Division of State Fire Marshal, under the Ohio Department of Commerce, houses seven bureaus including:

- Bureau of Underground Storage Tank Regulations
- Code Enforcement
- Fire & Explosion Investigation Bureau
- Fire Prevention
- Forensics Lab
- Ohio Fire Academy
- Testing & Registration

The Ohio Fire Academy is the main teaching arm of SFM, offering a wide variety of courses to thousands of students from throughout the state each year. Below is a list of the main areas of our grounds:

1. Main Entrance
2. Dormitories
3. A Building
4. B Building
5. Burn Building
6. Search & Rescue, Training Tower Complex
7. LPG Burn Area
8. Arson Pods
9. Extrication Area
10. Saws Area
11. Rail Cars Area
12. Trench Rescue
13. Drafting Pond
14. Driving Pad
15. Wildland Fire Area



# Our strength: Instructors

NEWS



Instructor Anne-Marie McDonald demonstrates rescue technique to students on fellow instructor Craig Mansperger.

**From those who recently joined the Academy to long-time mentors, our instructors provide students a wealth of fire service knowledge through on-campus or virtual instruction.**



Instructor Woody Woodward discusses hose couplings to cadets.



**LEFT:** Allen Young lectures during an EMT class. **RIGHT:** Instructor Rob Homman works with students on effective rope and knots technique.



EMT instructor Darrell Wallace demonstrates proper cervical collar measuring, while instructor Heidi Stone looks on.



Instructor Walt Cook guides a fire student through pump operations



Craig Mansperger leads cadets on ladder positioning technique.

## 2022 Academy Teaching Staff

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| Mark Lundy        |                    |

# OFA supports initiatives



## Everyone Goes Home® Program

For many years prior to 2004, United States fire service leaders discussed the need to reduce line-of-duty deaths (LODDs). Different organizations had developed programs and strategies to attack the problem, but despite their best efforts, no holistic vision or clear, cohesive strategy to attack the problem had emerged.

Several events were driving the issue to the forefront: the seemingly immovable annual average of 100 or more LODDs, the startling and unexpected multiple impacts of 9-11, and a goal declared by the United States Fire Administration to reduce firefighter LODDs by 50 percent within a decade. By 2004, reducing line-of-duty injuries and fatalities was on everyone's radar.

In March 2004, the Firefighter Life Safety Summit was held in Tampa, Fla. to address the need for change within the fire and emergency services. Through this meeting, 16 Life Safety Initiatives were produced to ensure that Everyone Goes Home®. The goal of the Everyone Goes Home® Program is to reduce the number of preventable firefighter line-of-duty injuries and deaths.

The program, founded by the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation, provides free training, resources and programs to implement the initiatives.



## Firefighter Cancer Support Network

The objective of the Firefighter Cancer Support Network (FCSN) is to provide timely assistance to all fire service members and their families in the event of cancer diagnosis. The FCSN maintains and continuously updates a roster of mentors who have personal experience with many types of cancers and will personally guide those affected through the process of dealing with a specific illness.

In addition to the mentor program, the FCSN is always in need of volunteers to assist by helping to support various committees, specialized task programs, member support activities and specialized events. The FCSN also provides awareness to fire service members and their families about the importance of cancer prevention and screening by coordinating educational opportunities with various health programs.

The FCSN does not provide legal or medical advice, but can offer assistance and guidance for support options like behavioral health services, fire service organizations, Fire Service Chaplains and other cancer support programs.

The FCSN is in collaboration with the American Cancer Society and the Live Strong Foundation, and is made up of fire department members and their relatives, all of whom volunteer their services.

### Five steps to better protection

Limit exposure to carcinogens on the fire scene and at the firehouse by implementing the following guidelines:

1. Make sure all fire apparatus are connected to a Source Capture Exhaust System in the stations. (This is the most effective system per IAFF & FEMA).
2. Do NOT remove your PPE, including the SCBA, until the area has been monitored and deemed safe by your safety officer.
3. DECON yourself by taking a hot shower immediately after any fire
4. Keep PPE out of living and sleeping quarters. Properly store them in a separate enclosed room with an outside exhaust fan.
5. Clean and properly maintain your PPE after each use, as specified in NFPA 1851 and manufacturer's recommendations.

**For more information, go to:**

**[www.everyonegoeshome.com](http://www.everyonegoeshome.com)  
[www.firefightercancersupport.org](http://www.firefightercancersupport.org)**

# OFA Partnerships

The Ohio Fire Academy has many strategic partnerships that allow for the sharing of knowledge and resources with leading agencies, educators, researchers and professional associations. These partnerships create a high-quality learning environment unmatched in Ohio.

## State Agencies

Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation  
Ohio Dept. of Mental Health and Addiction Services  
Ohio Dept. of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry  
Ohio Dept. of Natural Resources, Division of Watercraft  
Ohio Dept. of Public Safety, Division of EMS  
Ohio Dept. of Transportation  
Ohio Environmental Protection Agency  
The Ohio Adjutant General's Dept., Ohio National Guard

## State Associations

Ohio Association of Emergency Vehicle Technicians  
Ohio Fire Chiefs' Association  
Ohio Professional Firefighters Association  
Ohio Society of Fire Service Instructors  
Ohio State Firefighters Association

## Sponsorships and Causes

Firefighter Cancer Support Network  
National Fallen Firefighters Foundation, Everyone Goes Home

## National Agencies and Organizations

National Fire Academy  
U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco & Firearms  
U.S. Dept. of Defense, U.S. Air Force  
U.S. Dept. of Justice, U.S. Marshal's Service

## Partnerships

Central Ohio Technical College  
Diley Ridge Medical Center  
National Testing Network  
QuickClear – TIMS Traffic Management  
The Ohio State University, Agricultural Safety & Health Program  
The Ohio State University, Center for EMS  
The Ohio State University, College of Veterinary Medicine  
The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center  
Tri-Med Tactical

## Associations and Accreditations

International Fire Service Accreditation Service (IFSAC)  
International Society of Fire Service Instructors  
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# Ohio's fire departments eligible for loans, grants



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## Loans

### ■ Small Government Fire Department Services Revolving Loan

This program was created by the Ohio General Assembly to assist local governments in funding certain fire department major expenses. A revolving loan can be used to expedite the purchase of major firefighting, rescue or EMS equipment, as well

as for construction or renovation of fire department buildings. Applications become available in December of each year. Grant award and non-award notifications are forwarded the following spring.

## Grants

### ■ Fire Training Reimbursement Grant

Fire departments providing primary fire protection to an area with a permanent population of 25,000 or less qualify for this grant. Reimbursement is available for specific fire training classes, including the cost of training manuals and student workbooks up

to the maximum amount authorized. Training grant awards are subject to availability of funds. Applications become available in December of each year. Grant award and non-award notifications are forwarded in the spring of each year.

OFA courses eligible for the Fire Training Reimbursement Grant feature this logo throughout the catalog: 

### ■ Individual Fire Department Equipment Grant

This grant funds the purchase of equipment including protective clothing, SCBA, communications equipment and other miscellaneous equipment. Eligible fire departments must serve a population of 25,000 or less, be in compliance with the Volunteer Firefighters' Dependents Fund outlined

in Ohio Revised Code 146, and have submitted incident fire reports for the previous year. Applications become available in December of each year. Grant award and non-award notifications are forwarded in the spring of each year.

### ■ Joint Fire Department Equipment Grant

This grant funds equipment including protective clothing, SCBA, communications equipment and other miscellaneous equipment. Eligible fire departments must serve a population of 25,000 or less, be in compliance with the Volunteer Firefighters' Dependents

Fund outlined in O.R.C. § 146, and have submitted incident fire reports for the previous year. Applications become available in December of each year. Grant award and non-award notifications are forwarded in the spring of each year.

### ■ Multi-Agency Radio Communication System (MARCS) Grant

The MARCS Grant assists fire departments in purchasing systems, equipment, and/or services that are part of, integrated into, or otherwise interoperable with the MARCS operated

by the state of Ohio with respect to providing fire protections services. To be eligible, fire departments must serve a population of 25,000 or less.

### ■ Firefighter I Training Grant

This grant provides funding to cover the costs of providing Firefighter I or Firefighter I Transition certification courses free of charge at SFM-approved class providers. By partnering with eligible providers, this grant eases the costs to local governments, promoting shared services and broadening the

availability of courses throughout the state. Grant funding is limited to \$500,000 statewide and is dispersed to compliant course providers on a first-come, first-served basis. Applications become available in July of each year.

### ■ Volunteer Firefighter Assistance (VFA) Grant (formerly RCFA Grant)

The VFA Grant program is a cooperative effort between the Division of State Fire Marshal's Ohio Fire Academy and the Department of Natural Resources' Division of Forestry. The grant supports training for firefighters who serve rural communities of 10,000 residents or fewer. Successful VFA grant applicants may receive full waivers of tuition and dormitory fees for certain courses. Funds do not cover meals or transportation/mileage.

Support for this program is provided, in part, through a federal grant via the U.S. Forest Service and is matched by the Ohio Fire Academy. Grants are allocated on a first-come, first serve basis. Generally, a fire department may receive one scholarship per class for one student. However, multiple grants for a single class may be offered if funds are available. The maximum amount of an eligible agency is \$1,500 per grant cycle.

# OFA at the forefront of accredited training

## What sets us apart?

Who do you want tying the knots in your rope rescue system or backing you up on the hose line in a structure fire – someone who just sat in a class, or someone who had to demonstrate their knowledge, skills, and abilities in order to earn their certificate?

International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC) accreditation is the third-party stamp of approval that includes all aspects of certification testing including: completeness, fairness, security, validity and correlation to the national standards. Holding an IFSAC accredited certificate says you have passed the most rigorous testing and highest standard of performance in our industry.

## What is IFSAC?

IFSAC is a world-wide organization made up of 114 member entities, including Ohio, 40 other states and 16 foreign countries. IFSAC provides third-party validation of OFA testing procedures that authenticates and validates our education processes. IFSAC assures the compliance with NFPA 1000, the Standard for Fire Service Professional Qualifications Accreditation and Certification Systems. The OFA's compliance with this standard provides many benefits for Ohio firefighters.

- Provides documentation showing competency of individual knowledge and job skill performance requirements that are correlated to industry standards and best practices
- Enables professional mobility through nationally and internationally recognized certification
- Provides credibility to individual firefighters as meeting professional standards in their field
- Produces portable certificates for individual mobility that can be applied to both civilian and military personnel
- Increased employment opportunities
- Acknowledges a firefighter's commitment to ongoing training and life-long learning
- Provides a specific training path for career advancement
- Provides firefighters with credibility and accountability in cases involving litigation
- Enhances fire service professionalism and reliability

## What is the difference between certification and accreditation?

Accreditation is often confused with certification. Accreditation is a validation of the quality of the curriculum or the institution itself, while certification is the professional credential held by an individual.

Accreditation gives official recognition or approval of quality standards, provides credentials and represents standards that qualify its graduates for admission to higher or more specialized institutions or for professional practice.

## Why is accreditation important?

Accreditation is the stamp of approval from a third-party review of an agency's certification system. The review includes all aspects of certification testing, including completeness, fairness, security, validity and correlation to the national standards.

## Why not give yourself the best opportunity to be successful?

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# Certifications offered by OFA



## IFSAAC

Fire and Life Safety Educator 1  
 Fire and Life Safety Educator 2  
 Fire Apparatus Driver  
 Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator-Pumper  
 Firefighter 1  
 Firefighter 2  
 Fire Inspector 1  
 Fire Inspector 2  
 Fire Investigator  
 Fire Officer 1  
 Fire Officer 2  
 Fire Officer 3  
 Fire Officer 4  
 Fire Service Instructor 1  
 Fire Service Instructor 2  
 HazMat Awareness  
 HazMat Ops Core  
 HazMat Ops - Mission Specific: PPE

HazMat Ops - Mission Specific: Mass Decon  
 HazMat Ops - Mission Specific: Technical Decon  
 HazMat Ops - Mission Specific: Evidence Preservation  
 HazMat Ops - Mission Specific: Product Control  
 HazMat Ops - Mission Specific: Air Monitoring  
 HazMat Ops - Mission Specific: Victim Rescue & Recovery  
 HazMat Ops - Mission Specific: Illicit Laboratory Incidents  
 HazMat Technician  
 Rescue Tech: NFPA 1006  
 Rescue Tech: Confined Space 1  
 Rescue Tech: Confined Space 2  
 Rescue Tech: Rope 1  
 Rescue Tech: Rope 2  
 Rescue Tech: Trench Level 1  
 Rescue Tech: Trench Level 2  
 Rescue Tech: Vehicle Level 1  
 Rescue Tech: Vehicle Level 2

## ProBoard

Firefighter I, NFPA 1001  
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### FIRE SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY

COTC's fire science technology program is designed to provide the education and skills essential for those who are seasoned professionals seeking career advancement and for those who are new to fire science and emergency medical services professions and would like to pursue a career in these fields. COTC's associate degree was the first FESHE-recognized program in central Ohio. Our partnership with the Ohio Fire Academy assures you receive the best hands-on training.

For more information, visit [go.cotc.edu/firescience](https://go.cotc.edu/firescience).

### FIRE SCIENCE TECHNICAL RESCUE

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For more information, visit [go.cotc.edu/techrescue](https://go.cotc.edu/techrescue).

### FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION

COTC has one of the lowest tuition rates in the state of Ohio. Financial aid is available in the form of loans, scholarships and grants. Annually the college awards more than \$1 million in scholarships. Every student is encouraged to complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to be considered for financial aid.

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# Course Listings | Fire Services

## ■ Aerial Apparatus Operation

This class will demonstrate the safe and proper use of aerial apparatus with field evolutions. Students will demonstrate a basic understanding of safe aerial operations, aerial apparatus positioning, and setting up and operating elevated streams.

The class is designed for small-to-medium-sized departments that respond with ladder companies.

**REQUIREMENTS:** Must have a valid driver's license and be certified as a firefighter

### MAIN CAMPUS

**Dates:** May 4, July 13, Sept. 8, 2022

**Fee:** \$50

**Hours:** 6

**Deadline:** 7 days prior



### CLOSE TO HOME

**Fee:** \$160/class

**Deadline:** 45 days prior

**Class min/max:** 12/24

**Hours:** 6

## ■ Driving Simulation Lab

Acquired through an Assistance to Firefighters Grant, the Mobile Driving Simulation Lab system is a training resource that is integrated into a driver skills and judgement training curriculum. It provides a bridge between classroom-delivered instruction and actual operation of a motor vehicle on a prepared course or public

roadway. A driver can experience the consequences of making decisions based upon incomplete information. Drivers can practice making decisions in simulated life and death situations similar to those actually encountered on the road that would be too dangerous to perform in the real world.

### CLOSE TO HOME

**Dates:** Based on availability

**Fee:** \$500/Class

**Deadline:** 45 days prior

**Class min/max:** 12/24

**Hours:** 4



## ■ Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator (EVO)

**Formerly known as EVOC,** This 16-hour, multi-part course is designed for students requiring emergency vehicle driver's training for any type of standard fire department vehicle. The first eight hours of online instruction covers NFPA 1002 Chapter 4 General Requirements and the following: 4.1 General, 4.2 Preventive Maintenance, 4.3 Driving/Operating, and 4.4 Fire Department Communications.

That is followed by eight hours of hands-on driving of emergency apparatus. When conducted as a direct delivery course, the fire chief has 180 days to complete the driving skills portion at an approved, designated area, and submit the paperwork to the OFA registrar's office for credit. Directions are provided on submission of required paperwork.

**REQUIREMENTS:** Must have a valid driver's license.

### MAIN CAMPUS

**Dates:** April 2 – 3, 2022

**Fee:** \$85 **Hours:** 16

**Deadline:** 7 days prior



### CLOSE TO HOME

**Deadline:** 45 days prior

**Class min/max:** 12/24

### HYBRID

**Fee:** \$360/class

**Hours:** 16

## ■ Essentials of Structural Fire Attack

This two-day program is designed for firefighters who are looking to gain some valuable experience in basic fire suppression, hose movement, and fire behavior. Students will experience the Mobile Fire Behavior Lab (Flashover unit) in order to gain a better understanding of fire behavior and flashovers. Students will

also have the opportunity to work on their hose advancement and water application skills during live fire evolutions in the OFA burn building. Students will leave this course with valuable hands-on experience and fortified knowledge of firefighting fundamentals.

**REQUIREMENTS:** See online course description.

### MAIN CAMPUS

**Dates:** April 2 – 3, 2022

**Hours:** 15

**Fee:** \$175

**Deadline:** 21 days prior



## Feel The Heat

The OFA developed this course to help local elected officials, such as city council members and township trustees, understand the demands of firefighting. Elected officials experience wearing PPE and SCBA. They can participate in search and rescue operations, auto extrication demonstrations, observe the operation of a ladder truck from its aerial platform, extinguish live fires inside the OFA's burn building and experience the honor of the job.

**SPECIAL NOTE:** Elected officials will need to coordinate with their local fire department for the use of PPE and SCBA. Many of the day's activities require the use of SCBA. Participants with beards or other facial hair that interferes with the SCBA mask may not take part in some activities. A change of clothes is recommended. Participation in each scheduled event is optional. Participants receive several photos.

**MAIN CAMPUS**

**Dates:** To be announced. Visit our website at: [www.fireacademy.com.ohio.gov](http://www.fireacademy.com.ohio.gov) for more info

**Hours:** 6

**Fee:**



**Deadline:** 14 days prior

**BY REQUEST**

## Fire Behavior Lab

This course is a must for all firefighters, both new and seasoned veterans. The OFA brings live fire into the classroom and demonstrate the destructive force and power fire has utilizing the OFA's mobile flashover trailer. A lack of understanding fire behavior

can lead to inaccurate predictions, the destruction of property and the loss of life. All students must possess a current certificate to practice as a firefighter issued under O.R.C. § 4765.55.

**REQUIREMENTS:** See online course description.

**CLOSE TO HOME**

**Dates:** Based on availability

**Fee:** \$400/burn

**Deadline:** 45 days prior



**Class min/max:** 8/12 Burn

**Hours:** 4

## Fire Investigator

This course complies with NFPA 1033, Standard for Professional Qualifications for Fire Investigators and is designed for those with at least five years of experience in fire service and/or law enforcement. Students will learn the fundamentals of fire scene investigation for origin and cause determination through interactive classroom presentations, lecture, group exercises and hands-on practical exercises. Upon completion of this course, students will have the basic knowledge, skills, and abilities needed to participate in a fire origin and cause investigation.

This course emphasizes the practical application of material learned during class time. Evaluations of students' cognitive and

hands-on performance will be conducted throughout the course, as well as with a final exam. Students who successfully complete all course requirements are eligible for certification by IFSAC.

**REQUIREMENTS:** Documentation of completion of National Incident Management System 100 and 700; Employment Verification Letter and Statement of Qualifications forms; Ohio Department of Public Safety Firefighter or Law Enforcement Certification; BCI and FBI Back Ground Check (must be received 45 days prior to the start of class, OFA Code Number 121-08). This information must be sent regular mail to the OFA Registrar's Office.

**MAIN CAMPUS**

**Dates:** May 16 - 25, 2022  
Sept. 24 - Nov. 4, 2022

**Hours:** 129

**Fee:** \$250

**Deadline:** 7 days prior



## Fundamentals of Wildland Firefighting

The Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) designed this course to address the changing roles and training needs of Ohio's local, rural and volunteer fire departments with regards to wildland fire. This course prepares firefighters to engage in wildland fire suppression safely, quickly and efficiently. Topics

include wildland fire suppression techniques, wildfire behavior, basic fire weather and wildland fire safety. This course is available to fire departments within the ODNR Division of Forestry Wildfire Protection Area. For questions, contact ODNR Forestry at 877-247-8733 or the OFA training coordinator at 614-752-7177.

**CLOSE TO HOME**

**Dates:** Based on availability

**Hours:** 6

**Deadline:** 45 days prior

**Class min/max:** 12/24

**Fee:** \$160/Class



## Firefighter I & II

This extensive 50-day firefighter training program is the only one of its kind in the state of Ohio recognized by the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC) and ProBoard. This course exceeds the Ohio Administrative Code (O.A.C.) requirements for firefighters and the standards identified in the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Standards.

Upon course completion, students will have the knowledge necessary to successfully complete the Ohio Firefighter 1 & 2 examination. In addition to basic firefighter job skills, students learn essential job functions including professionalism, leadership, teamwork, honor, firefighter safety, emergency vehicle operation and apparatus pumping. The course runs weekdays from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m., with occasional night lectures. Students must pass written and

practical skill evaluations for successful course completion.

The fast-paced course is mentally and physically demanding, requiring high levels of dedication and commitment from every student. Embedded in this course is a daily one-hour physical training program requires students to run 1.5 miles on the first day. It is recommended that Firefighter Mile certification is obtained prior to class. Information may be found at [nationaltestingnetwork.com/publicsafetyjobs/firefighter\\_mile\\_info](http://nationaltestingnetwork.com/publicsafetyjobs/firefighter_mile_info).

Students are responsible for providing their own turnout gear and course textbooks. The academy does provide Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) rental for an additional fee. Information on obtaining these materials is provided upon official acceptance into the course. **REQUIREMENTS:** See online course description.

### MAIN CAMPUS

**Dates:** Feb. 14 - April 22, 2022  
May 31 - Aug. 5, 2022  
Aug. 22 - Oct. 28, 2022

**Hours:** 429

**Fee:** \$1,550  
(Dorm fees separate)

**Deadline:** 35 days prior



## Interagency Wildfire (S-190/S-130/L-180)

This national certification (Red Card) course is a combination of courses from the National Wildfire Coordinating Group: Introduction to Wildland Fire Behavior, Wildland Firefighter Training, Human Factors in the Wildland Fire Service, and the Work Capacity Test (pack test optional). The course meets the NFPA 1051 Standard for Wildland Firefighter Personnel Professional Qualifications and is offered in two formats: a week-long class held Monday — Friday, and a weekend class held over three weekends. Perfect attendance is required for successful

completion.

This is a 'Red Card' course, an annual national qualification card issued by a wildland firefighter's sponsoring agency. The Ohio Department of Natural Resources will only provide an Incident Qualification Card (Red Card) to students who plan on being available for deployment through the Ohio Interagency Fire Crew.

**REQUIREMENTS:** National Incident Management System Introduction to Incident Command System (IS-100) and National Incident Management System (NIMS) an Introduction (IS-700).

### MAIN CAMPUS

**Dates:** Feb. 26 - March 12, (Weekends)  
Oct. 3 - 7, 2022 (M-F)

**Hours:** 40

**Fee:** \$95

**Deadline:** 14 days prior



## Interagency Wildfire RT-130 Refresher (NWCG)

This wildland firefighting recertification is the equivalent to the National Wildfire Coordinating Group RT-130 course and is required for firefighters planning on western wildland fire support. This course covers the four core Interagency Wildfire Red Book topics: entrapment avoidance, current issues, hazards and safety issues, and fire shelter. Students will also complete the

Work Capacity Test (pack test). The Ohio Department of Natural Resources only provides an Incident Qualification Card (Red Card) to students who will be available for deployment through the Ohio Interagency Fire Crew. For the pack test, students may wear tennis shoes, shorts, t-shirts, sweatshirts or sweatpants.

**REQUIREMENT:** Interagency Wildfire (S-190/S-130/L-180).

### MAIN CAMPUS

**Dates:** Feb. 24, March 18, March 24,  
April 14, May 5, 2022

**Hours:** 6

**Fee:**



**Deadline:** 14 days prior

## Perfecting the Initial Line

"So goes the first line, so goes the incident." The argument can be made that in the first 300 seconds of an incident, there is no more vital action to increase the odds of a positive outcome than a correctly deployed and functioning initial attack line. This three-day class is designed to evaluate that initial line using modern

scientific data and proven tactic- and task-level actions.

Students will get reps in drills covering aggressive hose movement and fire attack strategies to improve the initial attack lines probability of success. Upon completion, students will have a better understanding of what it takes to achieve an effective initial line.

### MAIN CAMPUS

**Dates:** April 25 - 27, June 29 - 30,  
Oct. 11 - 13, 2022

**Hours:** 8

**Fee:** \$50

**Deadline:** 14 days prior

## Pump Operations: Basic Fundamentals

Student learn theory, methods and techniques for operating fire service pumps. Topics include: types of pumps, engine

and pump gauges, maintenance, pressure-relief devices, water supplies, drafting and pumping operations.

**MAIN CAMPUS** Dates: May 3, Aug. 4, Oct. 11, 2022  
 Fee: \$65 Hours: 6  
 Deadline: 7 days prior



**CLOSE TO HOME** Fee: \$160/class  
 Deadline: 45 days prior  
 Class min/max: 12/24 Hours: 6

## Pump Operations: Theory & Hydraulics

This classroom course takes the theory of pump operation and creates practical applications to calculate simple formulas for proper fire apparatus pump pressures. Once completed, students will be able to generate safe and effective fire streams for single pump, multi-unit, supply, relay and fire-attack operations.

This course covers relationships between flow and pressure, mathematical hydraulic formulas, properties of water,

distribution of pressures in dynamic and static systems, friction loss in hoses and pipes, and factors that influence it. Also discussed are principles of fire apparatus and pumps including pump construction, power development and transmission, troubleshooting and producing effective fire streams. Students should have a basic understanding of operating a pump and basic math skills prior to taking the class.

**MAIN CAMPUS** Dates: April 2 - 3, 2022 Hours: 12 Fee: \$75 Deadline: 45 days prior

## Search & Rescue Training Lab: Three-day Course

Our Mobile Search & Rescue Training Lab (MSRL) is provided for three days of intense instruction using your own instructors. The MSRL is an exceptional training tool with a unique design of a residential dwelling, as well as a confidence maze that offers quality learning experiences.

From new recruits to seasoned veterans, this unit will meet your training needs. A key feature of this training is to provide your

organization with the lowest possible cost. For organizations that already have qualified training staff, this option provides the most cost-effective way to obtain up-to-date training. OFA includes all the necessary tools for your staff to conduct effective programs. Another feature is the flexibility of delivery options. Whether you are a full-time, combination or volunteer fire department, having the MSRL offers the opportunity to meet most organizations' needs.

**CLOSE TO HOME** Dates: Based on availability Hours: 18 Fee: \$300/Class Deadline: 45 days prior  
 Class min/max: 12/24



## Structural Fire Attack Lab (Fire Blast)

The Mobile Structural Fire Attack Lab (MSFAL), in partnership with the Findlay Fire Department, is available as part of our Close to Home and Regional Delivery package. The MSFAL features three live-fire training props, as well as a roof ventilation simulator.

The unit supports a number of training scenarios including

structural and transitional fire attack, vent-enter-search, basement fires, industrial fires, rescue, and ventilation from ground ladders and aerial devices. This unit meets training demands for all department sizes. Training can be customized to meet specific needs. **REQUIREMENTS:** See online course description.

**CLOSE TO HOME** Dates: Based on availability Hours: 8 Fee: \$650/Class Deadline: 14 days prior  
 Class min/max: 12/24



## Volunteer Firefighter

This 36-hour awareness level course meets the Ohio Administrative Code (O.A.C.) requirements for volunteer firefighters. Students will obtain entry level knowledge of the fire service in the areas of ladders, ropes, ventilation, forcible entry, personal protective equipment, hoses and water movement. This program is a comprehensive, fast-paced course that requires time for studying outside of the classroom.

Students must pass written and practical skill competency

evaluations to successfully complete the course. The course is held over two weekends; each beginning at 18:00 on Friday, and concluding at 18:00 on Sunday.

Attending students must have perfect attendance to be eligible for certification. There are no course fees, and tuition, meals, course materials and dormitories are provided free of charge. Students must supply their own personal protective equipment (PPE) and SCBA. **REQUIREMENTS:** See online course description.

**MAIN CAMPUS** Dates: Aug. 19 - 21 & Aug. 26 - 29, 2022 Hours: 36 Fee: **FREE!** Deadline: 35 days prior



## Ohio Fire Academy First Responders Health And Wellness Courses

### ■ After the Call

This course was created to provide administrators with concepts and techniques used after a traumatic incident to deal with not only their own feelings but that of the personnel in their agency while also simultaneously juggling tasks critical to their job. Officers, just like the personnel under them, can have a

emotional reactions to a traumatic incident. The course stresses that it's okay to ask for assistance in dealing with feelings after an event, and aids in providing guidance and oversight to personnel working through the aftermath of a traumatic event.

<b>MAIN CAMPUS</b>	<b>Dates:</b> March 22, July 13, Oct. 26, 2022	<b>Hours:</b> 2	<b>Fee:</b>	<b>Deadline:</b> 7 days
		<b>Class min/max:</b> 12/100		

### ■ Crisis Awareness

Crisis Awareness training provides students with ways of identifying signs of physical and emotional issues people may exhibit after a traumatic event brought about by an incident at work, in their personal life, or as the result of the cumulative effects of exposure to traumatic situations. It also provides techniques used to help someone in need.

responses to trauma, alcohol/drug issues, and techniques and strategies for working through the effects of a traumatic incident.

This course provides the opportunity to ask questions about trauma and stress, and provides resources and concepts to help someone else. It also includes one hour of addiction awareness, which focuses on both chemical addiction (drugs & alcohol) and process addiction (gaming, shopping, sex etc.).

Issues discussed include physical, cognitive and emotional

<b>MAIN CAMPUS</b>	<b>Dates:</b> Feb. 1, April 7, June 22, Sept. 22, Dec. 1, 2022	<b>Hours:</b> 4	<b>Fee:</b>	<b>Deadline:</b> 7 days
		<b>Class min/max:</b> 12/100		

### ■ Self-Care

Life happens. Our lives outside of work can cause stress, anxiety and issues that we must deal with to be healthy and happy. Often, our own self-care takes a backseat to taking care of others, completing our work responsibilities and just making it through the day.

first take care of ourselves. Physical, emotional, mental, spiritual and behavioral effects are discussed. Techniques and strategies for dealing with these effects in a healthy and safe way are discussed. Concepts and techniques for family and friends are also covered. Lastly, resources are provided for additional assistance.

This course reminds us that in order to take care of others, we must

<b>MAIN CAMPUS</b>	<b>Dates:</b> Jan. 18, June 7, Aug. 9, Oct. 11, Nov. 15, 2022	<b>Hours:</b> 2	<b>Fee:</b>	<b>Deadline:</b> 7 days
		<b>Class min/max:</b> 12/100		

### ■ Retirement: Surviving Being a Member of the Survivor's Club

Retirement is what we all aspire to reach from the day we walk into the Academy, however, for many, this can be more like facing a deep chasm vs. a well-deserved finish line.

member of the Survivor's Club.

This course helps personnel who are ready to retire, or those who have recently retired, begin to think about how they can move into the next chapter in a healthy and happy way.

Knowing what to expect and how to prepare for retirement can help reduce the fear and questions about what it's like to be a

<b>MAIN CAMPUS</b>	<b>Dates:</b> Feb. 23, April 19, Dec. 13, 2022	<b>Hours:</b> 2	<b>Fee:</b>	<b>Deadline:</b> 7 days
		<b>Class min/max:</b> 12/100		

### ■ QPR: Question, Persuade and Refer

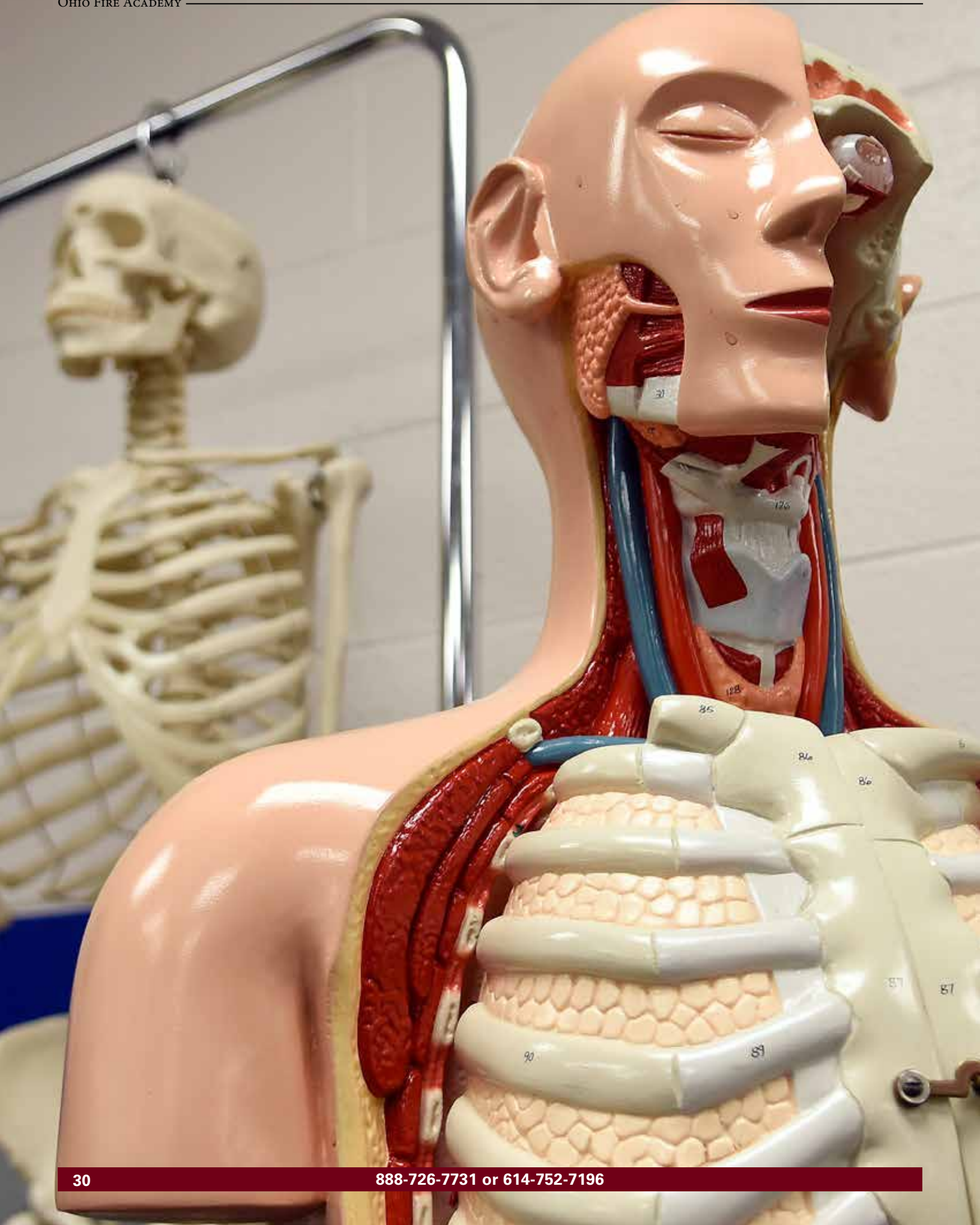
QPR stands for Question, Persuade, and Refer — the three simple steps anyone can learn to help save a life from suicide. The course objective is to save lives and reduce suicidal behaviors by providing innovative, practical and proven suicide prevention training.

and how to question, persuade, and refer someone to help. QPR can be learned in as little as one hour.

Students will learn to recognize the warning signs, how to offer hope and know how to get help for someone with suicidal behaviors.

Students learn how to recognize the warning signs of suicide crisis

<b>MAIN CAMPUS</b>	<b>Dates:</b> March 9, May 18, Aug. 24, 2022	<b>Hours:</b> 2	<b>Fee:</b>	<b>Deadline:</b> 7 days
		<b>Class min/max:</b> 12/100		



# EMS Training

## Advanced Tactical Operations Medical Specialist (ATOMS)

Tri-Med Tactical, LLC takes great pride in producing the most scientifically, statistically, clinically and tactically sound medicine available today and exceeds the National Tactical EMS Initiative and Counsel curriculum. Tri-Med Tactical, LLC uses concepts from Tactical Emergency Casualty Care and Tactical Combat Casualty Care in conjunction with over 200 years of professional staff experience to give students the most realistic and up-to-date training available.

This course is an intense didactic and scenario-based training in austere environments. At the end of the course, students will have a firm understanding of the tactical environment and how to mitigate the most dynamic situations tactical units face today.

**REQUIREMENTS:** Must be an EMT, AEMT, EMT-P, RN, NP, PA, and/or MD. Additionally, students must have an endorsement letter from a law enforcement agency.

**MAIN CAMPUS**
**Dates:** Jan. 3 - 7, 2022  
 May 9 - 13, 2022  
 Aug. 8 - 12, 2022

**Hours:** 72    **Fee:** \$950 (Dorm fees separate)    **Deadline:** 14 days prior

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## Emergency Medical Responder (EMR)

This course was developed for emergency services, law enforcement or industrial personnel who would be first on the scene of a medical/trauma emergency. This course follows the new standards established by the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration (NHTSA) and adopted by the Division of EMS as outlined by O.A.C. 4765. Students will be eligible for

National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT) certification testing upon successful completion of the course.

This course will cover patient assessment, airway management, cardiac emergencies, illness and injury, childbirth and children, automated external defibrillation (AED) and EMS operations.

**REQUIREMENTS:** See online course description.

**BY REQUEST**
**Class min/max:** 12/24

**Hours:** 48    **Fee:** \$140    **Deadline:** 45 days prior

## Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)

This intense program includes classroom and off-site clinical instruction to prepare students to the level of EMT.

This course runs Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. with some Saturday and evening sessions. Embedded in this course is a daily one-hour physical training program. Students will be required to complete squad and hospital clinical time. Attendance is required for all physical training, classroom and clinical sessions. This course emphasizes the practical

application of material learned during class time. Evaluations of students' cognitive and hands-on performance will be conducted throughout the course, as well as with an in-course final exam. Students who successfully pass the in-course testing will be eligible for National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT) certification testing.

**REQUIREMENTS:** See online course description.

**MAIN CAMPUS**
**Dates:** June 21 - Aug. 1, 2022  
 Aug. 29 - Oct. 7, 2022

**Hours:** 212    **Fee:** \$800 (Dorm fees separate)    **Deadline:** 45 days prior

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## Emergency Medical Technician Refresher

This course is offered for EMTs needing to maintain certification and fulfills the requirements for certification renewal and will give students the most current skills and information needed to perform their duties efficiently. Students will learn from traditional classroom lecture and scenario-based instruction.

Students must successfully complete all skill stations and pass the written exam. This course also meets remedial training requirements for candidates needing additional attempts to pass the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT) exam.

**MAIN CAMPUS**
**Dates:** March 14 - 17, 2022

**Hours:** 32    **Fee:** \$100    **Deadline:** 14 days prior

GE

## Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator (EVO)

Formerly known as EVOC, This 16-hour, multi-part course is designed for students requiring emergency vehicle driver's training for any type of standard fire department vehicle. The first eight hours of online instruction covers NFPA 1002 Chapter 4 General Requirements and the following: 4.1 General, 4.2 Preventive Maintenance, 4.3 Driving/Operating, and 4.4 Fire Department Communications.

That is followed by eight hours of hands-on driving of emergency apparatus. When conducted as a direct delivery course, the fire chief has 180 days to complete the driving skills portion at an approved, designated area, and submit the paperwork to the OFA registrar's office for credit. Directions are provided on submission of required paperwork.

**REQUIREMENTS:** Must have a valid driver's license.

### MAIN CAMPUS

**Dates:** April 2 – 3, 2022

**Fee:** \$85    **Hours:** 16

**Deadline:** 7 days prior



### CLOSE TO HOME

**Deadline:** 45 days prior

**Class min/max:** 12/24

### HYBRID

**Fee:** \$360/class

**Hours:** 16

## Paramedic Refresher

This course reviews essential components of Ohio-approved curriculum and provides exposure to scientific advances in emergency medical care concepts. This course utilizes classroom time, including cognitive and hands-on testing. The course covers

the following subject areas: airway management and ventilation, medicine, cardiology and medical emergencies, trauma issues, special populations, obstetrics and gynecology, pediatrics, geriatrics and EMS operations.

### BY REQUEST

**Class min/max:** 12/24

**Hours:** 48

**Fee:** \$170

**Deadline:** 45 days prior

## Stress First Aid for Fire and EMS Personnel

This course is designed to reduce the risk of stress reactions in fire and rescue personnel. It recognizes individuals who are reacting to a wide range of stressors in their work and personal lives and are in need of intervention to promote healing. Stress First Aid offers a spectrum of one-on-one or group interventions to ensure safety, reduce the risk for more severe stress reactions and to promote recovery. The class discusses

the principles of peer teams in fire and EMS services, and how they can be organized to promote healing through the model of firefighter behavioral health as fire departments adapt to new ways of supporting firefighters. Training is delivered by a National Fallen Firefighters Foundation behavioral health specialist and a fire service member trainer. The class is designed for leaders of emergency responders.

### BY REQUEST

**Fee:** N/A

**Deadline:** 45 days prior

**Class min/max:** 12/24

**Hours:** 2



### CLOSE TO HOME

**Fee:** N/A

**Deadline:** 0 days prior

**Class min/max:** 12/24

**Hours:** 2



# 2022 Exam Dates

### ACCUPLACER

Placement Assessment  
for prospective Firefighter I & II,  
EMT and AEMT students  
\*Tests begin at 10 a.m.\*

Jan. 18, 2022	July 19, 2022
Feb. 15, 2022	Aug. 16, 2022
March 15, 2022	Sept. 20, 2022
April 19, 2022	Oct. 18, 2022
May 17, 2022	Nov. 15, 2022
June 21, 2022	Dec. 20, 2022

### Fire Instructor Knowledge Exam

\*Tests begin at 1 p.m.\*

Jan. 18, 2022	July 19, 2022
Feb. 15, 2022	Aug. 16, 2022
March 15, 2022	Sept. 20, 2022
April 19, 2022	Oct. 18, 2022
May 17, 2022	Nov. 15, 2022
June 21, 2022	Dec. 20, 2022

### Fire Safety Inspector Instructor Knowledge Exam

\*Tests begin at 1 p.m.\*

Jan. 18, 2022	July 19, 2022
Feb. 15, 2022	Aug. 16, 2022
March 15, 2022	Sept. 20, 2022
April 19, 2022	Oct. 18, 2022
May 17, 2022	Nov. 15, 2022
June 21, 2022	Dec. 20, 2022

### EMS Instructor Practical Skills Exam

To schedule, contact EMS Training Coordinator Heidi Stone at 614-752-7180 or Heidi.Stone@com.ohio.gov.

### Firefighter I & II IFSAC Certification Exam

Scheduled in April, July and October. Visit: [www.fireacademy.com.ohio.gov](http://www.fireacademy.com.ohio.gov).



# Ohio Weekend at the National Fire Academy

June 24 - 26, 2022 | Emmitsburg, Maryland

## Courses Offered

### WO193 Campus Fire and Life Safety I: Risk Assessment

This two-day course will enable the student to begin to create a comprehensive campus fire and life safety program.

### WO457 Decision-Making for Initial Company Operations

This two-day course is designed to develop the decision-making skills needed by Company Officers (COs) to accomplish assigned tactics at structure fires.

### WO349 Fire Service Safety Culture: Who Protects Firefighters From Firefighters?

This two-day course is designed to assist emergency services personnel in defining and advocating organizational change within the fire service relating to safety.

### WO646 Leadership in Supervision: Creating Environments for Professional Growth

This two-day course presents the supervisor with the basic leadership skills and tools needed to perform effectively in the fire and EMS environment. The course includes concepts related to a successful transition to supervisory and leadership roles.

### WO602 Shaping the Future

This is two-day course is designed to assist first- and second-level supervisors and Company Officers (COs) in developing knowledge and skills in contemporary approaches to organizational problem-solving.

### WO455 Strategy and Tactics for Initial Company Operations

This two-day course is designed to meet the needs of Company Officers (COs) responsible for managing the operations of one or more companies during structural firefighting operations.



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## To Register:



Registration and Payment Information will be available at:

**[www.osfsi.org](http://www.osfsi.org)**

Registration will be ONLINE Only, there will be no paper registrations.

Online payments are highly recommended.

There is a mandatory orientation with classes starting on Friday June 24, 2022 @ 18:30 hrs.



# Development

## ■ EMS Instructor Module

This course meets all the objectives set forth by the Division of EMS for Firefighter I & II instructors or fire safety inspector instructors wishing to become EMS instructors. This is also for

EMS providers wishing to become assistant EMS instructors.

**REQUIREMENTS:** See online course description.

**MAIN CAMPUS**

**Dates:** March 8, June 7, Sept. 20, Oct. 12, 2022 **Hours:** 8 **Fee:** \$50 **Deadline:** 14 days prior

## ■ EMS Instructor Practical Skills Exam

This practical exam is required prior to entry in the EMS instructor training course according to O.A.C. 4765-18-05 (A)(5). This is the hands-on examination part of the entrance testing. Students must bring their valid driver's license and current EMS certification card or ODPS certification printout. Students will be tested to the level in

which they are certified and no prerequisites are required.

**REQUIREMENTS:** The practical pretest examination shall be administered under the auspices of an accredited institution. See online course description for further information.

**BY REQUEST**

**Class min/max:** 12/24

**Hours:** 3

**Fee:** \$25

**Deadline:** 14 days prior

## ■ Fire & Emergency Services Instructor I & II

This course meets all Ohio Department of Public Safety, Division of EMS objectives for Fire Instructor, EMS Instructor, and Fire Safety Inspector Instructor and NFPA 1041, Standard for Fire and Emergency Services Instructor I & II. It provides basic knowledge, skills and abilities needed to deliver effective instruction from a lesson plan while maintaining associated records.

Students learn theories of modern adult education and practice teaching skills with in-class presentations, speeches, demonstrations and teaching from their own lesson plans. Curriculum includes lectures, case studies and class discussion. Students must attend all classes and pass both written and practical exams to complete the course. For certification, students must pass the Division of EMS Instructor Techniques exam and complete student teaching requirements. Those who successfully complete all course requirements are eligible for International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC) certification.

**EMS INSTRUCTOR CANDIDATE:** Possess a certificate as an EMR, EMT, AEMT, Paramedic, RN or PA; in the preceding seven years, have at least five years of experience as an EMR, EMT, AEMT, Paramedic, RN or PA; pass the instructor knowledge exam at the level of certification within last three years, (RN and PA tests at medic level); pass practical skills exams, administered by the sponsoring institution, at the level of certification within last three years, (RN and PA tests at medic level); and comply with O.A.C. 4765-18-03.

**ASSISTANT EMS INSTRUCTOR CANDIDATE:** Possess a certificate as an EMR, EMT, AEMT, Paramedic, RN or PA; in the

preceding five years, have at least three years of experience as an EMR, EMT, AEMT, Paramedic, RN or PA; pass the instructor knowledge exam at the level of certification within last three years, (RN and PA tests at medic level); pass practical skills exams, administered by the sponsoring institution, at the level of certification within last three years, (RN and PA tests at medic level); and comply with O.A.C. 4765-18-18.

**EMS INSTRUCTOR KNOWLEDGE EXAMINATION:** The National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT) provides the assessment examination required for this class. Information may be found at [www.NREMT.org](http://www.NREMT.org).

**FIRE INSTRUCTOR CANDIDATE:** Possess a current firefighter certificate; in the preceding seven years, have at least five years of experience as a certified firefighter; pass instructor knowledge examination at the firefighter II level; and comply with O.A.C. 4765-21-03.

**ASSISTANT FIRE INSTRUCTOR CANDIDATE:** Possess a current firefighter certificate; in the preceding seven years, have at least five years of experience as a certified firefighter; pass instructor knowledge exam at the firefighter I level; and comply with rule O.A.C. 4765-21-03.

**FIRE SAFETY INSPECTOR INSTRUCTOR CANDIDATE:** Possess a current fire safety inspector certificate in good standing; in the preceding seven years, have at least five years of experience as a certified fire safety inspector; pass instructor knowledge examination at the fire safety inspector level; and comply with O.A.C. 4765-21-03.

**HYBRID**

**Dates:**

Jan. 24 (V); March 7 - 11, 2022 (C)  
April 25 (V); June 6 - 10, 2022 (C)  
Aug. 8 (V); Sept. 19 - 23, 2022 (C)

**Hours:** 88 **Deadline:** 7 days prior

**Fee:** \$300



**MAIN CAMPUS**

Oct. 3 - 14, 2022

## Fire and Emergency Services Instructor I

This course is designed for those individuals who wish to become certified as an IFSAC Fire and Emergency Services Instructor I in order to meet the Fire Officer I prerequisite requirement as stated in NFPA 1021 section 4.1. The course will provide participants with the basic knowledge and skills to adapt and deliver instruction effectively from a lesson plan and maintain the associated records. The participants will learn about the theories of modern adult education and their application by using techniques to maximize student learning. The participants will practice teaching skills

during in-class presentations. The course utilizes online instruction, traditional interactive lecture, case studies, class discussion and student participation in presentations and projects. Students will prepare and deliver a speech, give demonstrations and teach from their own prepared lesson plans. Students are required to attend all scheduled classes and pass both a written and practical examination to successfully complete this course. To ensure course content is adequately covered, students can expect online as well as evening and weekend assignments and projects.

**VIRTUAL**

**Dates:** Jan. 3 - Feb. 11, 2022  
March 7 - April 15, 2022  
July 18 - Aug. 26, 2022  
Oct. 17 - Nov. 25, 2022

**Hours:** 32**Fee:****Class min/max:** None

## Fire & Life Safety Educator Level I

This course meets the requirements of NFPA 1035, Public Fire and Life Safety Educator Level I, and focuses on building comprehensive community fire and injury prevention programs aiming to eliminate/mitigate situations that endanger lives, health, property or the environment.

It provides an overview of the responsibilities of a fire and life safety educator, describes how the position works in a typical fire department and highlights various educational programs.

Students will demonstrate the ability to coordinate and deliver fire and injury prevention programs, learn to select age-appropriate educational materials, adapt and present prepared programs for various audiences and learn how to work with media personnel.

Evaluations of students' cognitive and hands-on performance will be conducted throughout the course, as well as with a final exam. Students who successfully complete all course requirements are eligible for IFSAC certification.

**VIRTUAL**

**Dates:** Feb. 22 - March 10,  
Sept. 1 - Sept. 22, 2022

**Hours:** 18**Fee:** \$50**CLOSE TO HOME****Fee:** Free**Deadline:** 45 days prior**MAIN CAMPUS**

**Dates:** Jan. 10-12, July 13 - 15,  
Oct. 18 - 20, 2022

**Deadline:** 7 days prior**Class min/max:** 12/24**Hours:** 18

## Fire & Life Safety Educator Level II

This course meets the NFPA 1035 standard for the level II fire and life safety educators, working at the management level of their positions. Students will work in groups to complete tasks helping them understand political processes, community analysis, community partnerships, intervention strategies and implementation, and determining results using process, impact and outcome evaluation methods. Budget processes, evaluating team performance and determining where high-risk audiences

are located are also discussed. Finally, students will gain an understanding of the development stages of learners and design effective educational and informational materials.

Evaluations of students' cognitive and hands-on performance will be conducted throughout the course, as well as with a final exam. Students who successfully complete all course requirements are eligible for IFSAC certification.

**REQUIREMENT:** Fire and Life Safety Educator I.

**MAIN CAMPUS**

**Dates:** April 13 - 15, 2022  
Nov. 1 - 3, 2022

**Hours:** 18**Fee:** \$50**Deadline:** 7 days prior

## Fire Chiefs Symposium

This symposium is for all chief officers, new or veteran, and command staff officers. It includes an overview of the responsibilities of the SFM, current topics and issues relating to Ohio's fire service, and how the SFM can assist fire departments. It is an excellent chance for new fire chiefs and command staff officers to ask questions, and network with veteran fire chiefs, as well as support those junior officers that are being mentored

for succession planning. Additional topics include fire and EMS training and certification requirements, Volunteer Firefighters Dependents' Fund, vehicle stickers, fire investigation and reporting, code enforcement inspections, legal aspects, and the OFA. There are also presentations from Ohio Fire Chiefs' Association, Ohio State Firefighters Association and National Fallen Firefighters Foundation.

**MAIN CAMPUS****Dates:** Feb. 5 - 6, 2022**Hours:** 12**Fee:** Free**Deadline:** None

## Firefighter I & II, IFSAC Certification Exam

Firefighters certified by the state of Ohio who wish to earn IFSAC certification will need to successfully complete a series of written tests covering content from the following courses: Firefighter I, Firefighter II, HazMat weapons of mass destruction Awareness, HazMat WMD Operations Core, Mission-Specific PPE and Mission-specific product control. Students must

pass with a score of at least 70 percent and also complete 15 randomly selected practical skills.

**REQUIREMENTS:** Students must provide documentation showing successful completion of HazMat Awareness, HazMat Operations and Firefighter I & II courses. Documentation of a completed NFPA 1582 physical must also be submitted.

<b>MAIN CAMPUS</b>	<b>Dates:</b> See Page 32 for dates	<b>Hours:</b> 12	<b>Fee:</b> \$240	<b>Deadline:</b> 45 days prior
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## Fire Instructor Knowledge Exam

This exam is required prior to entry into a fire instructor training course according to O.A.C. 4765-21-02 (A)(3). This is a computer-based, two-hour examination. Applicants must bring a valid driver's

license or current fire certification card or Division of EMS certification printout. Those taking the exam will be tested on knowledge at the Firefighter II level, as defined by NFPA Standard 1001.

<b>MAIN CAMPUS</b>	<b>Dates:</b> See Page 32 for dates	<b>Hours:</b> 3	<b>Fee:</b> \$25	<b>Deadline:</b> 5 days prior
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## Fire Instructor Module

This module is for certified EMS providers or fire safety inspector instructors wanting to transition to be certified fire instructors or firefighters wanting to become assistant fire instructors.

includes an awareness module on the NFPA 1403, Standard on Live Fire Training Evolutions. The Division of EMS requires all fire safety instructor instructors to be certified as fire instructors or assistant instructors. **REQUIREMENTS:** See online course description.

The course meets all objectives set forth by the Division of EMS and

<b>MAIN CAMPUS</b>	<b>Dates:</b> March 8, June 7, Sept. 20, Oct. 12, 2022	<b>Hours:</b> 8	<b>Fee:</b> \$50	<b>Deadline:</b> 14 days prior
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## Fire Officer I

This course meets the requirements of the NFPA 1021, Standards of Professional Qualifications for Fire Officer I and is the only Fire Officer I course in Ohio in which students are able to obtain International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC) certification. Students will also receive certificates from both the Ohio and National Fire Academies upon completion of the course. To receive IFSAC certification for this class students must have IFSAC or ProBoard certification for their prerequisites or complete the required knowledge and skills examinations for

those prerequisites in which they are not certified.

Students will learn essential techniques and skills in leadership, supervision, decision making practices, legal responsibilities, communication, report writing, workplace safety, quality assurance, delegation, pre-incident planning and prioritization in both routine and emergency situations. This course is helpful in guiding the firefighter in the transition from peer to officer.

**REQUIREMENTS:** Certification as a Firefighter II, certification as an Instructor I.

<b>VIRTUAL</b>	<b>Dates:</b> April 18 - July 15, 2022	<b>Hours:</b> 80	<b>Fee:</b> \$50	   
<b>HYBRID</b>	<b>Dates:</b> Sept. 12 (V); Dec. 7 - 9, 2022 (C)	<b>Deadline:</b> 7 days prior		





## Volunteer Fire Officer

This course was designed specifically for volunteer and part-time firefighters and fire officers. While This course meets the knowledge and skill requirements of the NFPA 1021, Standards of Professional Qualifications for Fire Officer I, it eliminates the NFPA prerequisite requirements of Firefighter II and Fire Instructor I. This course is not accredited, does not meet the prerequisite for entry into other Fire Officer Courses at the Ohio Fire Academy, and should not be used for promotional processes in paid or combination fire departments. Students who are paid career firefighters and any student seeking certification for Fire Officer II, III, and IV should enroll in the regular Fire Officer I course. Students will receive a certificate of completion from the Ohio Fire Academy at the completion of the course.

supervision, decision making practices, legal responsibilities, communication, report writing, workplace safety, quality assurance, delegation, pre-incident planning and prioritization in both routine and emergency situations. This course is helpful in guiding the firefighter in the transition from peer to officer.

Evaluations will be conducted throughout the course, including skills testing and a comprehensive course final exam covering all Fire Officer I objectives. Students will have the opportunity to put skills to use in practice simulations and role play scenarios. There will be two weekend on campus sessions which will be meeting on Saturday and Sunday.

Course prerequisites: Ohio Volunteer Firefighter, Firefighter I and/or II certification.

<b>HYBRID</b>	<b>Dates:</b> Jan. 10 (V); Feb. 19 - 20, 2022 (C) & April 9 - 10, 2022 (C)	<b>Hours:</b> 80	<b>Fee:</b> \$50	   
		<b>Deadline:</b> 7 days prior		

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## Fire Officer II

This is the only Fire Officer II program in Ohio which allows students to receive both National Fire Academy and International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC) certification. This course is for fire officers in leadership roles for their departments and is designed to meet or exceed NFPA 1021, Standards of Professional Qualifications for Fire Officer II. To receive IFSAC certification for this class students must have IFSAC or ProBoard certification for their prerequisites or complete the required knowledge and skills examinations for those prerequisites in which

they are not certified.

We will expand on management techniques learned in Fire Officer I and focus on public education and community relations, budget preparation and requests, legal responsibilities, time management, handling conflicts in the fire service, dealing with various media agencies, crew resource management, and emergency operations management.

**REQUIREMENTS:** Completion of Firefighter II, Completion of Fire Officer I, Completion of Instructor I.

**VIRTUAL**

**Dates:** Jan. 31 - March 18, 2022  
Aug. 8 - Sept. 9, 2022

**Hours:** 60 **Fee:** \$25



**HYBRID**

**Dates:** June 20 - July 29, 2022

**Deadline:** 7 days prior

## Fire Officer III & IV

This is the only Fire Officer III & IV program in Ohio which allows students to receive International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC) certification. The course meets and exceeds NFPA 1021, Standards of Professional Qualifications for Fire Officer III and Fire Officer IV. This course is intended for students whose primary responsibilities is as a shift commander or above in their department.

Topics covered include the principles of management theory and its application to the fire service including topics on communications, professional development, community and intergovernmental

relations, human resources, legal issues, strategic planning, public education, budget and financial issues and emergency management.

To receive IFSAC certification for this class students must have certification for their prerequisites or complete the required knowledge and skills examinations for those prerequisites in which they are not certified.

**REQUIREMENTS:** Completion of a Fire Officer II program, completion of NIMS 300, certification as an Instructor I, certification as a Firefighter II.

**MAIN CAMPUS**

**Dates:** May 16 - Oct. 22, 2022\*

**Hours:** 80 **Deadline:** 7 days prior

\*Meets on campus May 18-20,  
July 6-8, Aug. 25-26, and  
Oct. 21-22, 2022

**Fee:** \$50



## Fire Safety Inspector Instructor Knowledge Exam

This exam is required prior to entry into a fire inspector instructor training course as outlined by O.A.C. 4765.03. This exam is based on the objectives from NFPA Standard 1031 as established by O.A.C. 4764-11-14 (A).

The two-part test includes a closed-book portion based on the

International Fire Service Training Association Fire Inspection and Code Enforcement textbook and code research using the Ohio Fire Code and the Ohio Building Code.

Students must bring the most current editions of code books to the testing center. **REQUIREMENTS:** See online course description.

**MAIN CAMPUS**

**Dates:** See Page 32 for dates

**Hours:** 3

**Fee:** \$25

**Deadline:** 5 days prior

## Fire Safety Inspector Instructor Module

This module is designed for certified EMS providers or fire instructors looking to transition to become certified fire safety inspector instructors. This module meets all objectives set forth by the Division of EMS and introduces students to the intricacies of teaching the Ohio Fire Code. It covers all requirements from the Division of EMS for the instruction of a certified fire safety

inspector course.

Requirements include knowledge of Ohio Revised Code language and an overview of the Ohio Fire Code and Ohio Building Code. The course is required by the Division of EMS to be certified as a fire safety inspector instructor.

**REQUIREMENT:** See online course description.

**MAIN CAMPUS**

**Dates:** March 8, 2022  
June 7, 2022  
Sept. 20, 2022  
Oct. 12, 2022

**Hours:** 8

**Fee:** \$50

**Deadline:** 14 days prior

## Incident Safety Officer

This course focuses on knowledge, skills and abilities required of an effective incident safety officer and is ideal for any fire officer who has been newly appointed as a safety officer or is likely to fill the incident safety officer role.

The course covers information on issues and trends relevant to the incident safety officer role; requirements of NFPA 1521 as it relates to the incident safety officer; reading buildings, reading

smoke, assessing risk, hazardous energy; preventing firefighter injuries through effective “prehab” and “rehab”; the challenges of interacting with the incident commander on scene; and the Incident Safety Officer Action Model.

Evaluations of student performance will be conducted throughout the course and includes a final exam.

**REQUIREMENTS:** See online course description.

**VIRTUAL**

**Dates:** March 1 - April 1, 2022  
Sept. 6 - Oct. 7, 2022

**Hours:** 40

**Fee:** \$75

**Deadline:** 7 days prior

**GE**

## Live Fire Instructor

This course is designed to deliver a comprehensive live-fire training program in accordance with NFPA 1402, NFPA 1403, and NFPA 1500. Using lecture and practical teaching techniques, students will learn how to apply the above standards to all live-fire training.

This course will discuss all chapters of NFPA 1403 and applicable sections of NFPA 1402 and 1500; review the required NFPA 1403 staff positions, safety requirements, checklist and standard operating procedures. Students will inspect the OFA

burn building, conduct an evaluation of an acquired structure and develop a live-burn plan for NFPA 1403 compliance and review.

The course provides processes to educate students on proper techniques and requirements for live-fire training evolutions, ensuring they are conducted in safe facilities that minimize exposure to health and safety hazards. The course meets requirements for O.A.C. 4765-21-03 (c).

**REQUIREMENTS:** See online course description.

**HYBRID**

**Dates:** March 14 (V); April 27 - 29 (C)  
Sept. 26 (V); Nov. 7 - 9, 2022 (C)

**Hours:** 64

**Deadline:** 7 days prior

**Fee:** \$150

**GE** **\$**

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## National Fallen Firefighters "Everyone Goes Home" Series

### ■ Courage to be Safe ® (CTBS)

This is a provocative and moving presentation by the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation, through the Everyone Goes Home® program, which is designed to change the culture of accepting the loss of firefighters as a normal occurrence.

Firefighters must have the courage to face a multitude of risks to save lives and protect their communities. Their courage allows them to willingly risk their own lives so that others can be saved. A different type of courage is required to stay safe in potentially dangerous situations, avoiding needless risks and tragic consequences. This program is a must for all who care, share, and

have a feeling for the safety of firefighters.

Building on the untold story of line-of-duty death survivors, it reveals how family members must live with the consequences of a firefighter death. This presentation provides a focus on the need for firefighters and officers to change fundamental attitudes and behaviors to prevent line-of-duty deaths.

The central theme promotes the courage to do the right thing to protect yourself and other firefighters and ensure that "Everyone Goes Home" at the end of the day.

**VIRTUAL**

**Dates:** March 25, June 28,  
Sept. 23, Dec. 12, 2022

**Hours:** 2  
**Fee:** N/A

**Deadline:** 7 days prior



### ■ Leadership, Accountability, Culture & Knowledge (LACK)

This compelling presentation by the National Fallen Firefighter Foundation examines the root causes of line-of-duty deaths and the role of Leadership, Accountability, Culture and Knowledge (LACK) as it impacts the result.

Many fire departments "LACK the right stuff" to prevent themselves from being on a path to a line-of-duty death. LACK

are the elements that need to be addressed and managed in those environments. Through education and training, departments can improve their survivability by understanding the root causes of firefighter fatalities and tackling these four elements with special emphasis on understanding fire service culture.

**REQUIREMENT:** Courage to be Safe course.

**VIRTUAL**

**Dates:** March 25, June 30,  
Sept. 23, Dec. 13, 2022

**Hours:** 2  
**Fee:** N/A

**Deadline:** 7 days prior



### ■ Leadership So Everyone Goes Home (LEGH)

A course of the Everyone Goes Home® Program of the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation designed to assist in the reduction of line-of-duty deaths utilizing a series of case studies. Each study will include what happened, why it happened, what could have avoided it, were safety measures available and used and how it can be prevented in the future. The benefit of this program is the

review of cultural change or adaptive challenge, rather than just enacting a technical fix, which in most cases does not work. A great program for senior fire officers and administrative office.

**REQUIREMENT:** Courage to Be Safe and Leadership Accountability, Culture & Knowledge courses.

**VIRTUAL**

**Dates:** March 28, 2022  
Dec. 14, 2022

**Hours:** 4  
**Fee:** \$50

**Deadline:** 14 days prior



### Student testimonials



**TRAVIS BOHN**

Firefighter student, Arcadia, Ohio  
Course taken: Firefighter I & II

"My favorite part of the Ohio Fire Academy is, by far, the instructors. All of them are 100 percent amazing at their job. They'll go out of their way at any moment to answer a question, drag you to the side, or stay over late to help you out. They are all top notch."



## National Fire Academy Managing Officer Program Courses

### Leadership in Supervision

This six-day course is the combination of the three two-day courses within the Leadership in Supervision Series (Course 0646, Course 0647, and Course 0648).

This series presents the fire and emergency medical services (EMS) supervisor with the basic leadership skills needed to perform effectively, to successfully transition to supervisory and leadership roles, and establish a conceptual foundation and

framework for success in leadership roles by exploring creative, analytical, political and critical thinking perspectives.

The course includes the development of a personal plan for active engagement in the provision of leadership in supervision and meets the requirements of the Managing Officer Program for completion of Leadership I, II, and III.

Refer to the listings below for more information.

**MAIN CAMPUS**
**Dates:** Aug. 14 - 19, 2022

**Hours:** 36

**Fee:** \$150

**Deadline:** 7 days prior


### Leadership in Supervision: Creating Environments for Professional Growth

Developed by the National Fire Academy, this course is the first module in the Leadership in Supervision series and is a requirement for the National Fire Academy Managing Officer credential. The course presents the supervisor with the basic leadership knowledge, skills and abilities needed to perform effectively. The course includes concepts related to a successful

transition to supervisory and leadership roles, including that of adaptive leadership; change management; active followership; effective communication, including difficult conversations and advocacy-inquiry based dialogue; ethics; authority; power; decision-making; and active engagement through development of a personal plan.

**MAIN CAMPUS**
**Dates:** March 17 - 18, 2022  
April 2 - 3, 2022  
Oct. 6 - 7, 2022

**Hours:** 12

**Fee:** \$50

**Deadline:** 7 days prior

**CLOSE TO HOME**
**Fee:** \$325/Class

**Deadline:** 45 days prior

**Class min/max:** 12/24

**Hours:** 12

**DEVELOPMENT**

### Leadership in Supervision: Perspectives in Thinking

Developed by the National Fire Academy, this course is the second module in the Leadership in Supervision series and is a requirement for the National Fire Academy Managing Officer credential. It provides the supervisor with the conceptual foundation and framework for success in leadership roles by exploring creative, analytical, political and critical thinking

perspectives. The course addresses skills needed for assessing situations from multiple perspectives, making critical decisions, fostering creativity and innovation, and using persuasion.

**REQUIREMENT:** Leadership in Supervision: Creating Environments for Professional Growth.

**MAIN CAMPUS**
**Dates:** April 4 - 5, 2022  
Nov. 3 - 4, 2022

**Hours:** 12

**Fee:** \$50

**Deadline:** 14 days prior

**CLOSE TO HOME**
**Fee:** \$325/Class

**Deadline:** 45 days prior

**Class min/max:** 12/24

**Hours:** 12


### Leadership in Supervision: Frameworks to Success

Developed by the National Fire Academy, this course is the third and final module in the Leadership in Supervision series and is a requirement for the National Fire Academy Managing Officer credential. It provides the supervisor with the knowledge, skills and abilities to perform successfully in the fire and EMS environments. The course addresses professionalism, resilience,

emotional intelligence, and situational awareness, as well as managing conflict, delegating mentoring, coaching, empowering, and building collaboration and synergy for professional growth.

**REQUIREMENT:** Leadership in Supervision: Creating Environments for Professional Growth and Leadership in Supervision: Perspectives in Thinking.

**MAIN CAMPUS**
**Dates:** May 16 - 17, 2022  
Dec. 1 - 2, 2022

**Hours:** 12

**Fee:** \$50

**Deadline:** 14 days prior

**CLOSE TO HOME**
**Fee:** \$325/Class

**Deadline:** 45 days prior

**Class min/max:** 12/24

**Hours:** 12


## National Fire Academy Managing Officer Program Courses

### ■ Shaping the Future

Developed by the National Fire Academy, this course is designed to assist first- and second-level supervisors and company officers in developing knowledge, skills and abilities in contemporary approaches to organizational problem-solving. Topics include the use of creative approaches to identifying trends within their organizations, applying problem-solving methodologies, the importance and application of continuous

improvement within organizations, how to quantify problems and solutions, factors in organizational and individual resistance to change and strategies for implementing change.

The course incorporates facilitated, student-centered methodologies, including lecture, small and large group activities, and individual assessments and is one of the required courses for the National Fire Academy Managing Officer Series.

**VIRTUAL****Dates:** Jan. 10 - Feb. 3, 2022  
Nov. 1 - Dec. 23, 2022**Hours:** 14 **Fee:** \$150**Deadline:** 40 days prior

### ■ Strategy and Tactics for Initial Single Company Operations

Initial Single Company Operations is designed to meet the needs of Company Officers responsible for managing the operations of initial arriving companies during structural firefighting operations. This course will develop the skills needed to determine and accomplish initial tactics at structure fires. Information presented is based on experience, research completed

by NIST & Underwriters Laboratory and the Firefighting Strategies & Tactics Text. (Fourth Edition)

Topics covered include; Fire Dynamics, Coordination & Control, Extinguishing Agents, Reading Smoke, Fireground Cues & Clues, Incident Management, SLICERS, Safety & RIT, Ventilation and Line Placement.

**VIRTUAL****Dates:** March 21 - April 22, 2022  
Sept. 12 - Oct. 14, 2022**Hours:** 14**Fee:** \$75**Deadline:** 7 days prior

### ■ Strategy and Tactics for Initial Multiple Company Operations

Multiple Company Operations is designed to meet the needs of Officers responsible for managing the operations of the companies on the initial and subsequent alarm assignments during structural firefighting operations. This course will develop the skills needed to determine and accomplish appropriate strategies and tactics at structure fires. Information presented is based on experience,

research completed by NIST & Underwriters Laboratory and the Firefighting Strategies & Tactics Text. (Fourth Edition)

Topics covered include ICS, Built in Fire Protection, strategies, tactics and building construction in; 1 & 2 Family Dwellings, Multiple Family Dwellings, Commercial Buildings and Places of Assembly.

**VIRTUAL****Dates:** May 10 - June 10, 2022  
Oct. 31 - Dec. 9, 2022**Hours:** 12**Fee:** \$75**Deadline:** 7 days prior





**WINCHESTERBURG**  
**FIRE / RESCUE**

**HYDRAULIC - SYSTEM**  
Hydraulic system  
Capacity: 1000 GPM  
Flow: 100 GPM  
Stroke of Charge: 100 FT  
System Demand: 100 PSI  
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# Prevention

## ■ Fire Safety Education for Frontline Firefighters

This course was developed by the SFM Fire Prevention Bureau and it meets NFPA 1001 6.5.2, NFPA 1021 4.3, NFPA 1035 4.4.1

This course introduces the Frontline Firefighter to fire safety and Public education as it pertains to the fire services' mission. This course will cover how to effectively deliver age-appropriate messaging and the overall importance of public and fire safety.

This class is designed for those Firefighters who help with prevention education efforts in their community or aspire to become a fire prevention educator.

This is an introductory class to Fire Life Safety Educator 1 and will give the student a basic understanding of Fire safety education.

**VIRTUAL**

**Dates:** Jan. 20, March 23, April 19, July 26, Sept. 8, 2022

**Fee:****Deadline:** 7 days prior**Hours:** 2

## ■ Fire Safety for Healthcare Facilities - Train the Trainer

This Course was developed by the SFM Prevention Bureau.

Communities throughout the State of Ohio are comprised of healthcare facilities tasked with caring for patients experiencing a myriad of health and rehabilitation issues. These facilities have specific Ohio Department of Health requirements for fire safety education including P.A.S.S., R.A.C.E., Fire Drills and the use of Fire Extinguishers.

This course teaches fire departments to not only address these issues with facilities in their response districts but also teaches them critical fire safety education techniques and skills specific to healthcare.

At the end of the class, departments will have the ability to launch their own healthcare facility fire safety education that is tailored to their own communities.

**VIRTUAL**

**Dates:** Feb. 3, April 25, May 25, Aug. 10, Dec. 15, 2022

**Fee:****Deadline:** 7 days prior**Hours:** 1

## ■ Fire Safety Inspector Continuing Education

The fire safety inspector continuing education course meets the recertification requirements for inspectors certified by the Division of EMS under O.A.C. 4765. The course will help refresh

inspectors on elements of inspection and review components of the Ohio Fire Code. Specifics topics and rules covered for each one of the four sessions will be published on the OFA website.

**MAIN CAMPUS**

**Dates:** April 6 - 7, 2022  
Sept. 6 - 7, 2022

**Hours:** 6**Fee:** \$45**Deadline:** 7 days prior

## ■ Fire Safety Inspector

This course is designed to meet the requirements for Fire Safety Inspector as prescribed by the O.A.C. 4765-20-03 and NFPA 1031. Students learn the skills necessary to conduct fire safety inspections from the OFA in conjunction with the SFM Code Enforcement Bureau. This course meets certification eligibility requirements for IFSAC Fire Inspector I and Fire Inspector II certification. Students will gain an understanding of the fire inspector's role in code enforcement, general fire prevention practices, fire safety requirements related to hazardous materials, electrical systems and fire protection systems. Students must

attend all classes and pass all written and practical exams to successfully complete the course. For certification, students must pass the Division of EMS Fire Safety Inspector exam.

**REQUIREMENTS:** Documentation of competency of NFPA 472, 2013 edition; Chapter 4 HazMat Awareness requirements, or the equivalent. For Ohio Certification, students must also submit: Documentation of completion of National Incident Management System 100 and 700; Employment Verification Letter and Statement of Qualifications forms; Ohio Department of Public Safety Firefighter Certification.

**HYBRID**

**Dates:** Feb. 7 (C then V); April 18 - 20, 2022 (C)  
Aug. 8 (C then V); Oct. 17 - 19, 2022 (C)

\*NOTE: Class starts with an on-campus orientation day before moving to virtual.

**Deadline:** 7 days prior**Hours:** 100**Fee:** \$300

## Fundamentals of Sprinklers and Standpipes

This course covers the history and evolution of sprinklers, requirements for different systems, and hands-on practice with multiple standpipe and sprinkler systems in our lab. Students learn operations and maintenance procedures of all types of automatic

sprinkler and standpipe systems. The course is approved for 12 hours of Board of Building Standards (BBS) continuing education credit, BBS 2013-199a and BBS 2013-199b; and 12 hours of continuing education for fire safety inspectors, per O.A.C. 4765-20-16.

**MAIN CAMPUS**

**Dates:** Aug. 2 - 3, 2022  
Dec. 6 - 7, 2022

**Hours:** 12  
**Fee:** \$50

**Deadline:** 7 days prior



## Ohio Fire Incident Reporting System (OFIRS)

This course provides students with both instructions for reporting data in NFIRS and an understanding of the data elements collected by the system. The course identifies NFIRS as a tool fire departments use both to report fires and other incidents to which fire departments respond and to maintain records of these incidents in a uniform manner. Through this course, students will learn efficient methods of accessing coding

hierarchy and reduce errors.

Students will gain an understanding of the benefits of NFIRS and NFIRS data, learn methods of using their data for funding opportunities, define a reportable incident, identify NFIRS modules, gain a working knowledge of how to use the USFA NFIRS Complete Reference Guide and how to submit their incidents to OFIRS.

**VIRTUAL**

**Dates:** Jan. 13, Feb. 1, Feb. 17, March 14, April 5, April 28, May 16, June 13, June 30, July 11, Aug. 2, Aug. 25, Oct. 11, Oct. 27, Nov. 17, Dec. 13, 2022

**Deadline:** 7 days prior

**Fee:** N/A

**MAIN CAMPUS**

**Dates:** March 22, June 9, Sept. 6, Dec. 8, 2022

**Hours:** 6

## Ohio Prevention Educators Network

The "Ohio Prevention Educators Network" was created by members of the SFM Prevention Bureau.

This Network's mission is to share Fire Safety Education messages from fire departments across the state of Ohio. There are two Virtual meetings monthly at the beginning and end of each month.

The first meeting of the month is a round table discussion, while the second provides Continuing Education Units covering a specific topic of discussion derived from combined discussions, typically addressed during the monthly meeting. Much of the topics covered are real time views and problems that other departments face and have overcome.

**VIRTUAL**

**Dates:** Jan. 4 & 25, Feb. 8 & 22, March 8 & 22, April 12 & 26, May 10 & 24, June 12 & 28, July 12 & 26, Aug. 9 & 23, Sept. 12 & 27, Oct. 11 & 25, Nov. 8, Dec. 13, 2022

**Fee:**



**Deadline:** 7 days prior

**Hours:** 2

## Plan Review for Fire Officials

This class is designed for fire safety inspector recertification and is a three-day basic course designed to meet the needs of the fire prevention officer. This course uses a combination of classroom instruction and hands-on skill building. It addresses code application during building construction, interpersonal communication, code interpretations, acceptance testing and maintenance of fire protection systems.

Course objectives include: determining the need for a plan review; the steps of the plan review process; the general elements of a systematic plan review; site plans; building plans and

construction drawings for plans review; determining if plans meet egress code requirements; types of fire protection systems; what is required for a plan review and whether the system plans are code compliant.

Also covered are topics including: water supply requirements for automatic sprinkler and standpipe systems; design requirements for sprinklers; practical exercise on water supply calculations and basics system demand for varying types of sprinkler systems; plan review and approval standards for sprinkler systems; fire alarm systems; means of egress and fire department access.

**MAIN CAMPUS**

**Dates:** Jan. 18 - 20, 2022  
June 13 - 15, 2022  
Nov. 14 - 16, 2022

**Hours:** 24

**Fee:** \$125

**Deadline:** 7 days prior



## Underground Storage Tanks Inspector

This course prepares students to perform underground storage tank (UST) inspections with an emphasis on general practices and rules governing work activities. The course leads students through installation, removal, abandonment in place and major repairs of UST systems. The emphasis of this program is on how to inspect UST sites. Course content includes Bureau of Underground Storage Tank Regulations (BUSTR) and Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) regulations, field inspection

reports, permit application and review procedures, and operational compliance monitoring. The course addresses UST requirements found in O.R.C. § 3737.881; O.A.C. 1301:7-9; API-1604; API-1615; PEI-RP-100; PEI-RP-1000 and NFPA-407. An exam fee of \$25 is required, payable to Treasurer, state of Ohio, on the first day of class. This fee is not included with enrollment. **REQUIREMENTS:** Copy of current Ohio Fire Safety Inspector certification and Completion of Underground Storage Tank: Installer course.

**MAIN CAMPUS**
**Dates:** March 21 - 24, 2022

**Hours:** 30

**Fee:** \$100

**Deadline:** 14 days prior

## Underground Storage Tanks Installer

This course prepares students to perform underground storage tank (UST) installations. It covers general practice and rules governing work activities as related to the installation, removal, abandonment in place, major repairs and testing of UST systems. It also includes Bureau of Underground Storage Tank Regulations (BUSTR) regulations, delegated authority, enforcement, American Petroleum Institute (API) standards, compliance checks, Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) safety and health regulations, confined space entry, safety manuals, material

data sheets, record keeping, tank upgrades, unattended sites, cathodic protection, testing and backfill techniques.

Requirements found in O.R.C. § 3737.881; O.A.C. 1301:7-9; API-1604; API-1615; PEI-RP-100; PEI-RP-1000 and NFPA-407 are addressed. This course is a prerequisite for the UST Inspector course and is designed specifically for certified fire safety inspectors planning to become UST inspectors. Anyone wishing to become a certified UST installer must seek training through a private course sponsor. **REQUIREMENTS:** See online course description.

**MAIN CAMPUS**
**Dates:** Feb. 28 - March 4, 2022

**Hours:** 36

**Fee:** \$100

**Deadline:** 7 days prior

## Youth Firesetter Intervention Specialist

This course was designed by the SFM Fire Prevention Bureau and introduces the concepts of NFPA 1035 Juvenile Firesetter Intervention Specialist I. The class is designed for those assigned to fire and life safety education duties and other professionals having youth firesetter responsibilities.

Through group activities, students will learn if the child's fire

setting behavior can be treated through fire safety education, or if it is a symptom of problems requiring a referral program. Characteristics of fire-setting behavior for age groups 4-7, 8-11, and 12-14 are covered in this course. Interviewing techniques to classify fire-setting behavior and methods of establishing a community firesetter's referral program are also discussed.

**VIRTUAL**
**Dates:** May 3 - 12, 2022  
Oct. 4 - 13, 2022

**Hours:** 12

**Deadline:** 7 days prior

**GE**
**Fee:** \$50

**MAIN CAMPUS**
**Dates:** Feb. 15 - 16, June 2 - 3,  
Sept. 19 - 20, Nov. 14 - 15, 2022

## Youth Firesetter Program Manager

This course is designed for those responsible for leading a youth firesetting prevention and intervention program. The course covers the following: review of NFPA 1035 for Youth Firesetting Intervention Specialist Level II; leading a youth firesetting prevention and intervention program; program development; and program evaluation.

At the completion of this course, students will be able to: explain the differences in NFPA Standard 1035 between Youth Firesetting Prevention and Intervention Levels I & II; summarize the overall job performance requirements of a youth

firesetting prevention and intervention program; develop a youth firesetting prevention and intervention program in their community; and demonstrate how to evaluate a youth firesetting prevention and intervention program.

Students are encouraged to partner with other agencies for this training. Partners can include fire investigators, law enforcement, mental health, social services, juvenile justice, or other stakeholders who can assist in building and maintaining programs in their communities.

**REQUIREMENT:** See online course description.

**MAIN CAMPUS**
**Dates:** Jan. 24 - 26, 2022  
June 22 - 24, 2022

**Hours:** 12

**Deadline:** 14 days prior

**GE**
**Fee:** \$50





# Rescue / HazMat

## Chlorine Emergencies Lab

This course provides students with the skills to handle a variety of chlorine emergencies. Students will gain hands-on experience applying chlorine emergency kits on simulated leaks. Topics

include chlorine and its properties, leak control, PPE and risk assessment. **REQUIREMENT:** Documentation of Hazardous Materials Operations or equivalent.

**CLOSE TO HOME**
**Class min/max:** 12/24

**Hours:** 6

**Fee:** \$160

**Deadline:** 45 days prior

## Common Passenger Vehicle Rescue Technician

This hybrid style course meets the job performance requirements defined in NFPA 1006, 2021 edition, Chapter 8. These rescue skills are applicable to vehicle events involving common passenger vehicles and environments where rescuer intervention does not constitute a high level of risk based upon the environment or other factors.

Students will be introduced to many different aspects covering vehicle design, access, and disentanglement of victims while

developing a planned response all the way through termination of the event. Equipment stabilization and energy isolation play a large part in vehicle events and will be covered in this class. Resources are added and updated constantly so scenarios will not be finalized until the first day of class. With some of the best instructors in the country, students are sure to gain valuable knowledge and experience to be used in the real world and shared among their departments and peers.

**HYBRID**
**Dates:** Feb. 7 (V); March 21 - 25, 2022 (C)

**Hours:** 40

**Deadline:** 7 days prior

May 9 (V); June 13 - 17, 2022 (C)

**Fee:** \$375


## Confined Space Rescue Technician

This hybrid style course combines the knowledge, skills, and abilities for awareness, operations, and technician levels of Confined Space Rescue and will include all of the objectives in NFPA 1006, Chapter 7, 2021 edition. Beginning with atmospheric monitoring and basic equipment overview and progressing through to execution of a confined space rescue with the aid of a complete pre-plan, the student shall cover all

job performance requirements (JPRs) within Chapter 7. Rescuer care, air monitoring, patient packaging within the confined space environment, and development of a confined space pre-plan are covered. Students will gain access through openings as small as 16 inches in diameter.

Rope Rescue Operations level training is a prerequisite for this course.

**HYBRID**
**Dates:** Jan. 31 (V); March 14 - 17, 2022 (C)

**Deadline:** 7 days prior

June 15 (V); July 17 - 21, 2022 (C)

**Fee:** \$150

**Hours:** 24


## Farm Rescue Awareness

This course is for first responders serving in rural areas. It prepares emergency personnel for a variety of agricultural emergencies, including tractor and machinery incidents, grain bin entrapments, and exposure to toxic gases, chemicals, and

pesticides used in agricultural areas. This course develops the knowledge, skills, and abilities needed to respond to these types of emergencies. Students must complete written and hands-on skill competency evaluations to successfully complete the course.

**BY REQUEST**
**Class min/max:** 12/24

**Hours:** 12

**Fee:** Call for quote

**Deadline:** 45 days prior

## Grain Bin Rescue Awareness

Students completing this Grain Bin Rescue Level I course gain knowledge to safely evaluate hazards associated with grain bins and successfully extricate trapped victims. Students use the OFA's Grain Bin Rescue Trailer, review safety equipment, victim removal

procedures, and conduct hands-on rescues from both a grain bin and gravity wagon. This course reviews agricultural equipment injuries and emergencies, farm chemical exposures, fires and spills, and challenges responders face when confronting farm emergencies.

**CLOSE TO HOME**
**Class min/max:** 12/24

**Hours:** 6

**Fee:** \$650/Class

**Deadline:** 45 days prior


## Hazardous Materials: Awareness

Students will gain an understanding of what hazardous substances are and the risk associated with them. Students will learn to recognize the presence of hazardous substances, understand roles of emergency responders at the awareness level (including site security/control), gain an understanding of the U.S. Department of Transportation Emergency Response

Guidebook, and recognize the need for additional resources, call for appropriate assistance, and to make appropriate notifications to the community.

This course meets NFPA 1072 Standard, 2017 edition and OSHA CFR 29.1910.120 (q); and is eligible for IFSAC certification.

CLOSE TO HOME

Class min/max: 12/24

Hours: 6

Deadline: 45 days prior

GE



VIRTUAL

Fee: \$160/Class

## Hazardous Materials: Operations Core

This course provides responders with the knowledge, skills, and abilities necessary to analyze, plan, and implement performance-defensive response actions for hazardous materials incidents. During this course, students receive instruction and hands-on experience in the knowledge, activities and responsibilities required of operations-level HazMat responders. This course

meets or exceeds NFPA 1072 Standard, 2017 edition, OSHA 29 CFR 1910.120, and is eligible for IFSAC certification.

**REQUIREMENTS:** Documentation demonstrating ProBoard or IFSAC certification in HazMat Awareness or successful completion of NFPA 472, 2013 edition or NFPA 1072, 2017 edition, Chapter 4: Competencies for Awareness Level Personnel.

CLOSE TO HOME

Class min/max: 12/24

Hours: 16

Deadline: 45 days prior

GE



HYBRID

Fee: \$200/Class

## Hazardous Materials: Technician

Students gain the necessary skills for making entry into hazardous material hot zones to control spills and leaks while using measures to protect property and the environment. Through lecture and hands-on exercises, students are prepared to recognize, respond to, and terminate a weapon of mass destruction event. The course covers NFPA 1072, Chapter 7: Hazardous Materials Technicians.

Students are exposed to proper use of incident command system, CBRNE, prevention and deterrence, clothing protection, basic chemistry, air monitoring instruments, control, containment, and confinement techniques, and terrorism threat

assessment.

Evaluations of student performance are conducted throughout the course and end with a final exam. Students who complete all course requirements are eligible for IFSAC certification.

**REQUIREMENTS:** Documentation demonstrating ProBoard or IFSAC certification in HazMat Awareness, Operations, and Technician; or successful completion of NFPA 472, 2013 edition or NFPA 1072, 2018 edition, Chapter 4: Competencies for Awareness Level Personnel, Chapter 5: Core Competencies for Operations Level Responders, and Chapter 7: Competencies for Hazardous Materials Technicians, or equivalent.

HYBRID

Dates: March 28 (V); May 23-27, 2022 (C)

Deadline: 7 days prior

GE



MAIN CAMPUS

Aug. 22 - Sept. 2, 2002

Fee: \$250 Hours: 80

## Hazardous Materials Officer/Safety Officer

This course covers the competencies in NFPA 1072-2012, Chapter 10: Competencies for Hazardous Materials Officer and Chapter 11: Competencies for Hazardous Materials Safety Officers. This course provides students with the necessary skills, knowledge and tools to perform functions of both the Hazardous Materials Officer and Hazardous Materials Safety Officer within the incident command system at a hazardous

materials/WMD incident.

**REQUIREMENTS:** Documentation demonstrating ProBoard or IFSAC certification in HazMat Awareness, Operations, or successful completion of NFPA 472, 2013 edition or NFPA 1072, 2018 edition, Chapter 4: Competencies for Awareness Level Personnel, Chapter 5: Core Competencies for Operations Level Responders, or equivalent.

CLOSE TO HOME

Dates: Based on availability

Hours: 40

Fee: \$100/Class

Deadline: 45 days prior

Class min/max: 12/24

## Modern and Hybrid Vehicle Technology

This course provides students with the knowledge and skills, to respond to incidents involving vehicles with modern materials and alternate/hybrid fuel sources while addressing safety practices.

Course topics includes: descriptions and graphics of the latest in new vehicle construction technology; metals and

metal combinations; hybrid designs; and updated extrication techniques.

Upon successful completion, students are equipped with the knowledge, skills, and abilities to utilize the latest techniques for safe, rapid patient extrication from accidents involving the safest, five-star crash-rated vehicles and alternative power sources.

### BY REQUEST

**Fee:** Call for quote

**Deadline:** 45 days prior

**Class min/max:** 12/24

**Hours:** 8

### CLOSE TO HOME

**Fee:** \$150/Class

**Deadline:** 45 days prior

**Class min/max:** 12/24

**Hours:** 8

## Rope Rescue Technician

This hybrid course covers material in NFPA 1006, Standard for Technical Rescue Personnel Professional Qualifications, Chapter 5.1 – 5.3: Job Performance Requirements (JPRs) for Rope Rescue Awareness, Operations, and Technician. The unique course will provide fire personnel with little to no rope rescue skills, as well as personnel who have had rope training in the past and wish to refresh their skills and deepen their rope understanding, with knowledge, skills, and abilities outlined by the specified JPRs.

Students will be required to attend five (5) online virtual instructor-led classes followed by seven (7) days on campus at the Ohio Fire Academy (includes the weekend).

Critical angles, mechanical advantage systems, rappelling, ascending, self-rescue techniques, lowering systems, high angle

techniques, low angle rescue techniques, as well as lead climbing man-made structures, high-lines, and rope rescue leadership will be some of the skills covered and placed into practical application during the 7 days you will be on campus at the Academy as well as at other off-campus sites.

Additional information will be available upon course confirmation. Students must complete written and hands-on skill competency evaluations to successfully complete the course. Evaluations of student performance will be conducted throughout the course, and will conclude with a final exam. Students who successfully complete all course requirements are eligible for International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC) certification.

### HYBRID

**Dates:** April 6 (V); May 14 - 20, 2022 (C)  
Aug. 24 (V); Oct. 1 - 7, 2022 (C)

**Fee:** \$75

**Deadline:** 7 days prior

**Hours:** 32

GE



## Structural Collapse Rescue Operations

This course meets the job performance requirements (JPRs) defined in NFPA 1006 chapters 6.1 and 6.2, 2021 edition, and provides students with the operational knowledge, skills, and abilities to perform patient rescue at structural collapse incidents involving light frame and unreinforced masonry structures.

This intense, physically demanding course prepares students to operate safely and efficiently at a building collapse incident. It offers practical scenarios in cutting, breaching, lifting, stabilizing, searching, shoring, packaging, and removing victims from a simulated collapse

environment. Students will gain competence and confidence in responding to structural collapse incidents.

Additional information will be available upon course confirmation. Students must complete written and hands-on skill competency evaluations to successfully complete the course. Evaluations of student performance will be conducted throughout the course, and will conclude with a final exam. Students who successfully complete all course requirements are eligible for International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC) certification.

### HYBRID

**Dates:** Sept. 14 (V); Oct. 17 - 21, 2022 (C)

**Hours:** 32

**Deadline:** 7 days prior

**Fee:** \$350

GE

## Swiftwater Rescue Operations

This combined surface and swiftwater course meets the current NFPA 1006 standard as an operations trained responder for surface and swift water rescue. Students will learn material through online classroom lecture and hands-on applications. Remote or indirect rescues will be stressed and

boat handling skills will be presented. Hands-on applications will be conducted at regional facilities and locations.

Additional information will be provided at course registration.

**REQUIREMENTS:** Students must complete the Watercraft Boaters Education Course, regardless of birthdate or age.

### HYBRID

**Dates:** Feb. 21; (V); April 4 - 8, 2022 (C)

**Hours:** 40

**Deadline:** 7 days prior

**Fee:** \$250

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## Swiftwater Rescue Technician

This course meets the current NFPA 1006 standard as a technician trained responder for swift water rescue. Students will learn material through online classroom lecture and hands-on applications. Remote or indirect rescues will be stressed and boat handling skills will be presented. Hands-on applications will be

conducted at regional locations. Additional information will be provided at course registration.

**REQUIREMENTS:** Students must complete the Watercraft Boaters Education Course, regardless of birthdate or age.

**HYBRID**
**Dates:** April 11; 25 (V); May 2 - 6, 2022 (C)

**Hours:** 40

**Deadline:** 7 days prior

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**Fee:** \$250

## Swift Water Rescue Awareness

This program was developed by members of the Ohio Water Technical Advisory Committee. This training is designed for personnel who respond to incidents involving water rescue emergencies as part of the initial response. Students will learn

how to properly respond, evaluate and identify the resources necessary to conduct safe and effective water operations.

Training is conducted in accordance with NFPA 1670 Chapter 9: Water Search and Rescue - Awareness Level.

**CLOSE TO HOME**
**Class min/max:** 12/24

**Hours:** 4

**Fee:** \$50/Class

**Deadline:** 45 days prior

## Trench Rescue Technician

This course meets the awareness, operations, and technician level job performance requirements (JPRs) defined in NFPA 1006, 2021 edition, Chapter 12. Students will begin with the concrete Trench Training Prop and finish with multiple live trench scenarios.

Students will learn various shoring techniques, assorted trench layouts, hazard control scenarios, scene management, rescue vs. recovery operations, and termination procedures of a trench incident.

Additional information will be available upon course confirmation. Students must complete written and hands-on skill competency evaluations to successfully complete the course. Evaluations of student performance will be conducted throughout the course, and will conclude with a final exam. Students who successfully complete all course requirements are eligible for International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC) certification.

**HYBRID**
**Dates:** Sept. 28 (V); Oct. 31 - Nov. 4, 2022 (C)

**Hours:** 40

**Deadline:** 14 days prior

**GE**
**Fee:** \$300




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# Industrial Services

## Ohio Fire Academy builds customized courses around company's needs

From basic fire brigade training to more advanced education in high-intensity live-fire situations, the OFA can customize and build courses to suit your department's needs. Course length can range from six to 40 hours. The OFA has developed courses to help industries comply with NFPA standards 600 and 1081, and Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) requirements.

These regulations and standards detail the requirements for an industrial fire brigade and their members. Each industry has its own level of training and requirements, which are set in-house. By customizing each class, the OFA can assist in completion of the requirements set by the NFPA and OSHA. Classes will vary depending on the level of training required. OFA can develop any type of training program to meet specific goals.



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### Industrial Fire Brigade Series

The Industrial Fire Brigade Series offers a wide variety of courses customized to meet the needs of your department. All OFA fire brigade classes comply with the NFPA 600 and 1081 Standard on Industrial Fire Brigades, and Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA) regulation 29CFR1910.156 for fire brigades. Additionally, all live-fire training will conform to and meet the NFPA 1403 Live Fire Training standard.

Course training hours are customized to meet students' needs

and can include basic fire brigade training, hazardous material refresher, first aid and live-fire training. Live-fire training can utilize any number of OFA's training facilities including: the extinguisher pit, 2,400 square-foot flammable liquid pit, vehicle fire prop, liquified petroleum gas (LPG) tank prop, elevated industrial pipe flange fire prop, industrial barrel rack fire prop, Class A and interior firefighting in the OFA's three-story, high-intensity burn building.

**BY REQUEST**

**Hours:** Varies

**Fee:** Call for quote

### LPG and Flammable/Combustible Liquid Fires

Students will be introduced to the properties and behaviors of flammable liquids in bulk, fire extinguishing agents, safety considerations, a variety of suppression tactics and procedures required to safely control and extinguish flammable liquid fires,

emergency communications and environmental concerns.

Students will also learn the hazards associated with liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) and basic tactics for LPG emergencies.

**BY REQUEST**

**Hours:** Varies

**Fee:** Call for quote

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