

February 20-22, 2024

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COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

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BASIC INCIDENT COMMAND SYSTEM FOR INITIAL RESPONSE - ICS 200

Tuesday, February 20, 2024 and Wednesday, February 21, 2024
8:30 a.m. - 15:30 p.m.

DFS Credit: 1.0 Technical Instructor certification only

*A student must attend both days to receive credit for the ICS 200 course.

Instructors: New Jersey State Police

Course Description:

This 2-day course is designed to enable personnel to operate efficiently during an incident or event within the Incident Command System (ICS). ICS-200 provides training on and resources for personnel who are likely to assume a supervisory position within the ICS.

Prerequisites:

The following courses are mandatory prerequisites to this course and must be included with your application. You will NOT be registered without proper required documents.

Upload the certificates for IS-100.C, IS-700.B, and IS-800.D

FEMA Independent Study courses can be taken at this link Emergency Management Institute | Independent Study Program (IS)

<https://training.fema.gov/is/>

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BUILDING CONSTRUCTION FOR THE NEW JERSEY FIRE SERVICE

**Tuesday, February 20, 2024 and Wednesday, February 21, 2024
8:30 a.m. - 15:30 p.m.**

DFS Credit: 1.0 Instructor Credit

*Students are required to attend both days of class to receive the 1.0 DFS instructor credit.

Instructors: Robert G. Moran, Fire Chief, Brewster, MA and John J. Lewis, Lieutenant (Ret.) City of Passaic FD and Bergen County Fire Academy

Course Description:

To be safe and effective on the fireground it is critical for fire officers and firefighters to have exceptional knowledge and understanding of the types of buildings, building construction methods, occupancies, collapse hazards, construction materials and how the buildings they will be operating in will respond under fire conditions. Frank Brannigan, one of the authors of the building construction textbook adopted by New Jersey said it best when he coined the phrase "The building is your enemy, know your enemy."

This two-day Building Construction Training Program will provide attendees with the requisite knowledge of building construction types, methods, materials, hazards and operational considerations that fire officers and firefighters need to acquire to achieve success on the fireground. Fire officers who attend the program will meet the 12-hour building construction training requirements for Fire Officer I Certification in New Jersey. Students are required to attend both days of class to receive the 1.0 DFS instructor credit. Attendees must hold a New Jersey Certified Firefighter I to attend.

Pre-requisite: Attendees must hold a New Jersey Certified Firefighter I Certification to attend

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DRILL GROUND INSTRUCTOR

**Tuesday, February 20, 2024 and Wednesday, February 21, 2024
8:30 a.m. - 15:30 p.m.**

DFS 0.5 DGI Credit: CEU credit for the Drill Ground Instructor course will only count toward renewal of a Drill Ground Instructor certification, not a Fire Instructor I or II renewal.

Instructor: Michael J. Corbo, Director (Ret.) Atlantic County Fire Training Center

Course Description:

This one-day course is required for anyone wishing to obtain or renew a Drill Ground Instructor Certification issued by the Division of Fire Safety. The intent of this course is to ensure that instructors understand the safety issues and adopted NFPA Standards inherent in SCBA/Smokehouse and Live Burn firefighting training.

The students will be provided with a basic understanding of identifying and correcting unsafe situations as they occur and will review various safety concerns regarding drill ground instructional activities and student performance criteria.

CEU credit for the Drill Ground Instructor course will only count toward renewal of a Drill Ground Instructor certification, not a Fire Instructor II renewal or I.

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FIREGROUND LEADERSHIP; OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE FROM THE STATION TO THE STREETS

Tuesday, February 20, 2024 and Wednesday, February 21, 2024
8:30 a.m. - 15:30 p.m.

DFS Credit: 1.0 Instructor

Instructor: Christopher J. Naum, SFPE

Fireground Leadership; Operational Excellence from the Station to the Streets
Today's demanding fireground leaves negligible margin for errors or omissions requiring new skill sets, proficiencies and high accountability and tactical deployments executed with the highest degree of proficiencies and skill sets under the most challenging of operational demands and personnel risks. Leadership starts at the station and transitions to the streets and incident scene requiring new skill sets, awareness, insights and operational adaptiveness. Leadership and Operations are integral and fundamental to all facets; on and off the fireground. This high focused-high impact program will assimilate three key functional areas that affect today's emerging and practicing company and command officers and firefighter with conversations on *Station Leadership, Training and Operational Leadership on today's demanding fireground. Integrated a focus areas on Operational Excellence on Today's Fireground, Lessons and Learnings from Fireground, Station Leadership, Training and Preparedness and Operational Fireground Leadership and dialog on Rebooting the Fireground through Personal Accountability.*

- **Operational Excellence on Today's Fireground** - Exploring leading edge fire service discussion points from across the American Fire Service with new demands, expectations and risks.
- **Lessons and Learnings from Fireground Near Miss & Line of Duty Events** - The lessons and learnings from the fireground from recent and historical LODD Report recommendations and the hard lessons learned.
- **Fireground Leadership; From the Station to the Streets** - Leadership starts at the station and transitions to the streets and incident scene requiring new skill sets, awareness, insights and operational adaptiveness.
- **Rebooting the Fireground: Personal Accountability** - Rebooting traditional insights, principles and operational practices of modern firefighting while integrating progressive models.

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NATIONAL FIRE ACADEMY: STRATEGY AND TACTICS FOR INITIAL COMPANY OPERATIONS (F0455)

Tuesday, February 20, 2024 and Wednesday, February 21, 2024
8:30 a.m. - 15:30 p.m.

Curriculum: Incident Management

DFS Credit: 1.0 Instructor Technical

Instructor: Kevin McDonnell

F0455 – “Strategy and Tactics for the Initial Company Operations. “ STICO is designed to meet the needs of Company Officers responsible for managing the operations of one or more companies during structural firefighting operations. STICO is designed to develop the management skills needed by company officers to accomplish assigned tactics at structure fires.

Student Qualifications:

The primary target audience for the Strategy and Tactics for Initial Company Operations” (STICO)course is:

- Newly promoted Co’s.
- Excellent review for experienced Co’s.
- Firefighters who may have acting Co’s responsibilities.
- Firefighters who want to become Co’s.

The course is designed for newly promoted Co’s to learn the use and understanding of strategies and tactics and their importance in ensuring firefighter safety on the fireground.



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NATIONAL FIRE ACADEMY: STRATEGY AND TACTICS FOR INITIAL COMPANY OPERATIONS (F0455) - CONTINUED

Tuesday, February 20, 2024 and Wednesday, February 21, 2024
8:30 a.m. - 15:30 p.m.

Course Goal:

The goal of the course is to develop the management skills needed by Company Officers (Cos) to accomplish assigned tactics for structure fires.

Course Objectives (Learning Outcomes):

The students will be able to:

- Identifying organized approach to safely managing incident scenes.
- Recognize critical size-up factors.
- Recognize that locating the fires origin and identifying flow control issues are critical during the initial stages of an incident.
- Identify and explain the actions required to address rescue, ventilation, support and overhaul.
- Identify and explain the actions required to address water supply, fixed fire protection systems and salvage.

Attendance:

Students are required to attend all sessions of the course to attend NJDFS credit and an NFA certificate.

Registration:

PLEASE NOTE: STUDENTS MUST REGISTER THROUGH THE NJFMBA WEBSITE AND NFA WEBSITE

F0455 – Strategy and Tactics for Initial Company Operations,
<https://apps.usfa.fema.gov/nfacourses/catalog/details/110>

You will receive confirmation and follow up from Karen Grant upon review of application.

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MANAGING THE FIRE INVESTIGATION UNIT

Tuesday, February 20, 2024
8:30 a.m. - 15:30 p.m.

DFS Credit: 0.5 Administrative

Instructor: Bob Disbrow, IAAI-CFI, Fire Captain/Investigator

The administrative course is designed for fire officials, inspectors, and fire investigators. It teaches the tools necessary to manage a local enforcing agency/fire investigation unit. During this full day course, students will discuss the NJ Uniform Fire Code, NFPA 921 & NFPA 1033.

Topics will include, Administration, certification process (both state and national), fire investigator JPR's, fire investigation methodology, fire pattern identification, Curriculum Vitae, depositions & courtroom testimony. Actual case studies will also be discussed. This class is a must for all Fire Officials, Inspectors and Fire Investigators.

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**FIREFIGHTER SAFETY & SURVIVAL;
MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY**



**Tuesday, February 20, 2024 and Wednesday, February 21, 2024
8:30 a.m. - 15:30 p.m.**

DFS Credit: 1.0 Instructor

Instructors: Bob Disbrow, IAAI-CFI, Fire Captain/Investigator and Robert Seeburger, Battalion Chief Special Operations Command

*Students must attend both days to receive credit

**Please note when registering for this course you must select one of the roles listed below in which you will be participating in on Day two's HOT (Hands on Training). Refer to the requirements needed to ensure you are prepared.*

- *Hands on participant (company level officer/firefighter)*
- *Mayday Incident Commander*
- *Dispatcher*

Course Description:

**Day 1- (Tuesday, February 20, 2024)
Firefighter Safety & Survival**

Day One's seminar will consist of strategies and tactics to keep our members safe during emergency operations. We will discuss multiple case studies on Mayday incidents both successful and unsuccessful.

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FIREFIGHTER SAFETY & SURVIVAL; MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY - CONTINUED



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**Day 2 - (Wednesday, February 21, 2024)
Mayday / FF Rescue HANDS ON TRAINING**

The hands-on portion is designed for Firefighters to Chief Officers.

Day 2 will take place at the **Atlantic County Fire Academy** and consist of multiple scenarios based on recent Maydays in the fire service. Maydays are dynamic events that occur on a regular basis in the fire service. The HOT portion is designed for all ranks. Members will work on dealing with the stresses of a mayday at the company level to the IC.

Chief Officers will be placed in command positions to manage not only fire ground operations but mayday operations. The IC will be given the tools to successfully manage the fireground. Fireground Command and Control skills will be discussed. Tactical worksheets and communications plans will be provided. **PPE/SCBA is not required for chief officers, but is recommended, All members operating outside of the IDLH are required to have helmets and eye protection.**

Company Officers and Firefighters will operate on the fire ground in real-world situations. Companies will perform Engine, Ladder, and RIT Company tasks. The companies will practice the skills required to correctly announce a Mayday at an incident. The RIT teams will be deployed to locate, package, and remove a downed member. **The company-level participants are required to have PPE/SCBA to operate within the IDLH.**

The scenarios will be as close to the real world as possible including assistance from dispatch. **Trained dispatchers will be on hand to provide the tools necessary including portable radios, frequencies, evacuation signals, and time stamping of the incident.**

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SEEING THE ELEPHANT: A FIRE CHIEF'S GUIDE TO PERFORMING UNDER STRESS

Wednesday, February 21, 2024
8:30 a.m. - 15:30 p.m.

DFS Credit: 0.5 Administrative

Instructor: Deputy Chief Thomas Dunne, New York City Fire Department

Course Description:

Accidents, severe weather, work place pressures, deadlines. We are plagued each day by numerous forms of stress ranging from the routine challenges of life to the unexpected trauma of fires and other disasters. This class is designed to help you function safely and effectively in a stressful environment. It is based on lessons learned from many years of managing fire and emergency operations with the New York City Fire Department.

Personal fire experiences and videos are used to illustrate how the tools used to manage stress on the fire ground can also be applicable for everyone. The presentation combines an analysis of stress psychology with practical recommendations for emergency responders.

Channelized attention, task saturation, communication issues, social influences, and other factors that negatively affect the decision making process are analyzed. The command bubble, the imposter syndrome, the size up process and other fire service concepts are presented in a manner designed to improve a firefighter's situational awareness and capability under crisis conditions.

The class offers relevant material for firefighters, company officers, chiefs, and fire safety educators. See how the decision making process that occurs on the fire ground can allow you to function safely and confidently both as a firefighter and a leader. Learn the tools that allow you to refocus from disabling fear to positive action in any challenging situation.

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WE'RE ONLY HUMAN: UNDERSTANDING FIRE GROUND BEHAVIOR

Tuesday, February 20, 2024
8:30 a.m. - 15:30 p.m.

DFS Credit: 0.5 Administrative

Instructor: Deputy Chief Thomas Dunne, New York City Fire Department

Course Description:

We have all learned how to fight the fire, but how many of us will be able to accurately predict the behavior of the people affected by the fire? Most firefighters are well trained in strategy and tactics. However, they receive little or no training in the behavior patterns of the public they serve. An understanding of their responses can be a great asset for firefighters in sizing up a fire, organizing a building evacuation, or managing a catastrophic event.

This class teaches how civilians typically react to the stress and uncertainty of a fire or other threatening situation and provides firefighters with a guide to safely managing them. Videos, case studies, and personal fire ground experiences are used to highlight the genetic and social factors that determine human responses to danger. Practical, hands-on tactics designed to facilitate search and evacuation, improve fire alarm response, guide people in smoke conditions, and enhance safe crowd control are discussed along with high rise challenges and means of improving stairway movement.

Civilian behavior at incidents such as the 9/11 World Trade Center terrorist attack, the Station nightclub fire, the Beverly Hills supper club, and my own personal fire experience is analyzed. Strategies and tactics for firefighters are drawn from these and other incidents. Fire scenarios are presented to the students allowing them a "hands-on" opportunity to size up fire and emergency situations and discuss potential issues in managing and protecting civilians.

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WE'RE ONLY HUMAN: UNDERSTANDING FIRE GROUND BEHAVIOR - CONTINUED

This presentation is primarily developed for the fire service and is relevant for firefighters, company officers, and chiefs. A firefighter who understands human behavior in crisis is better prepared to effectively search, evacuate, and manage civilians at fires and other emergencies. The lecture is also relevant for EMS personnel, members of emergency response agencies, and disaster relief services, all of whom must successfully manage people affected by fires, weather challenges, and other life threatening situations.

Learn how people think and you will be able to think like a more capable firefighter.