



State of Connecticut Commission on Fire Prevention & Control Hazardous Materials Programs

Hazardous Materials Refresher

The Connecticut Fire Academy has completed a Hazardous Materials Awareness / Operations / WMD Refresher course for use by all First Responders. The intent of this program is two fold ... meet the requirements established in [29CFR1910.120\(q\)\(8\)](#) for O.S.H.A. mandates and to use the materials from the [472-2013 Awareness / Operations / WMD Program](#) recently distributed to meet National Certification needs. This will allow experienced responders to be exposed to the same information provided “new” members that were taught using the complete CFA program, as a bridge to potential certification if desired.

The suggested refresher program consist of the following;

Use the CFA “Refresher” PowerPoint presentation: Information taken from:

N.F.P.A. 472-2013 Chapter 5 “Awareness”

N.F.P.A. 472-2013 Chapter 6 “Operations Core”

Include the following Modules from N.F.P.A. Chapter 6 “Mission Specific”:

Module 1 Personal Protective Equipment

Module 2 Mass Decontamination

Module 3 Technical Decontamination

Module 5 Control Techniques

The listed programs will cover the duties and protection that responders are required to be familiar with and the modules can be condensed by the AHJ based on the audience experience.

It is suggested that for “Certification” purposes, the remaining Modules be covered as individual training or drills to provide the knowledge required to meet the complete N.F.P.A. 472-2013.

The remaining modules are:

Module 4 Evidence Preservation and Sampling – Optional

Module 6 Air Monitoring and Sampling

Module 7 Victim Rescue / Recovery

Module 8 Response to Illicit Laboratory Incidents – Optional