



**State of Connecticut
Department of Emergency Services & Public Protection
Commission on Fire Prevention and Control**

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1. 2017 Connecticut Fire Officers Weekend

Registration for the 2017 Connecticut Fire Officer Weekend in Emmitsburg, Maryland at the National Fire Academy is now open. We will be attending March 10-12, 2017.

Please review the attached documents for course information, Student ID requirements, application, and Driver License requirements.

Applications are due to the CT Fire Academy on January 27, 2017. Please prioritize your course choices as noted on the application. Also, note that the application has an expiration date of November 2016. The NFA has granted an extension on the application expiration date and will accept the form provided.

Updated Fire Marshal credit information for Officer Weekend courses in Emmitsburg, Maryland in March of 2017.

Youth Firesetter Intervention Specialist: 7 FM credit hours.

Building Organizational Support for Community Risk Reduction: 10 FM credit hours.

Any questions, please contact Program Manager Jason Decremer at 860-264-9242 or jason.decremer@ct.gov

2. CT Fire Academy Seminar Series 2017 – Modern Fire Attack

Modern Fire Attack - Thursday, February 9, 2017
Chief Peter Van Dorpe

Course Description: Lightweight energy efficient construction, modern fuels, firefighter encapsulation and manpower reductions have combined to make today's residential firefight a dramatically new challenge for even the most experienced firefighter. This workshop brings together cutting edge research and best practices to help firefighters develop strategies and tactics for mounting interior fire attacks in modern residential construction. It will assist participants in developing best practices for mounting an intelligent fire attack within these structures, particularly in attics and basements, and whenever they encounter ventilation limited or post flashover conditions. This workshop will cover the following objectives:

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3. Connecticut General Assembly 2017 Legislative Session Update

The 2017 Connecticut Legislative Session began on January 4th and we are tracking bills and monitoring daily activities in the state House and Senate. Already, there are a number of bills from various Representatives and Senators that could either directly or indirectly affect the Fire Service.

Click the following link to download the full [House Bill Status Report for January 18th, 2017](#)

The current bills we are tracking at this time that are of concern to the Fire Service include:

H.B. 5177 – AN ACT INCORPORATING THE INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE INTO THE STATE BUILDING CODE.

H.B. 5207 – AN ACT IMPOSING A SURCHARGE ON CERTAIN PERSONAL RISK INSURANCE POLICIES TO FUND REGIONAL FIRE SCHOOLS' OPERATING BUDGETS AND CERTAIN FIREFIGHTER TRAINING COSTS.

H.B. 5294 – AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF TOBACCO SETTLEMENT FUND DISBURSEMENTS FOR TOBACCO USE CESSATION PROGRAMS.

H.B. 5296 – AN ACT CONCERNING THE SALE OR DELIVERY OF BODY ARMOR TO FIREFIGHTERS, EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PERSONNEL.

H.B. 5297 – AN ACT CONCERNING INTIMIDATION ON ACCOUNT OF OCCUPATION AS PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL.

H.B. 5675 – AN ACT CONCERNING A GRANT PROGRAM FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL PERSONNEL TO OBTAIN BULLETPROOF VESTS.

H.B. 5727 – AN ACT EXEMPTING STIPENDS PAID TO VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS FROM THE PERSONAL INCOME TAX.

S.B. 27 – AN ACT INCLUDING CERTAIN MENTAL OR EMOTIONAL IMPAIRMENTS WITHIN THE DEFINITION OF “PERSONAL INJURY” UNDER THE WORKERS’ COMPENSATION STATUTES.

H.B. 5207 has been re-introduced this session by Representative Linda Orange and referred to the Joint Committee on Insurance and Real Estate on January 5th.

We are monitoring H.B. 5294 as it relates to possible funding for a program that benefits firefighters. The most recent activity of the bills we are following: January 9th, S.B. 27 referred to the Joint Committee on Labor and Public Employees. January 13th, H.B. 5675 referred the Joint Committee on Public Safety and Security. January 17th, H.B. 5727 referred to the Joint Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding, H.B. 5755 referred to the Joint Committee on Public Health, H.B. 5767 referred to the Joint Committee on Public Safety and Security.

Please contact me if you have any questions or requests related to legislative issues.

Sincerely,
Leon Collins
Legislative Representative
The Connecticut State Firefighters Association
<http://csfa.org> website

4. Open Enrollment Forcible Entry - Newtown Hook & Ladder

Newtown Hook and Ladder is hosting an open enrollment forcible entry program. This 100% indoors forcible entry program is a perfect winter two night session. Monday February 13th, the students will take part in a two hour interactive forcible entry lecture. The evening of Thursday, February 16th, the students will be put through three forcible entry stations. Inward opening forcible entry, using real doors, outward opening forcible entry including bolt shearing and hinge pulling, and through the lock. The cost is \$100. The 13th class begins at 7 PM and the 16th class begins at 6 PM. Classes are being taught by CT Custom Fire Training on Flash Fire Industries Mobile Training Trailer and props. Questions or registrations should go to Dan@flashfireindustries.com or Paul@CTCustomfiretraining.com

5. Employment Opportunity – West Shore Fire District – Deputy Chief/Deputy Fire Marshal

The West Shore Fire District is Hiring for the position of Deputy Chief/Deputy Fire Marshal. Applications can be obtained at Fire Headquarters 860 Ocean Ave West Haven CT. 06516, between the hours of 9 am to 4pm Monday thru Friday. Applications can also be downloaded from our website www.westshorefd.com Applications and resumes shall be returned by mail to The West Shore Fire District 860 Ocean Ave West Haven CT. or in person between the hours of 9am to 4pm.

Applications and resumes must be in hand by 4pm on January 31, 2017. Postmarks will not be accepted.

This is tested position. A passing score of 70% on the written examination is required before the candidate is eligible to take the oral examination. A passing score of 70% is required to be considered for the position of Deputy Chief /Deputy Fire Marshal. The tests reading material will be available for pickup at Headquarters 860 Ocean Ave West Haven Ct between the hours of 8am and 4pm or downloaded from westshorefd.com on February 2, 2017. The written test will be held on April 3, 2017 10am at the New Haven Regional Fire Academy. The oral exam will be announced at a later date.

6. 2017 CPAT Registration Now Open

Connecticut Fire Academy is now accepting applications for the 2017 CPAT season. The deadline to apply for the Spring 2017 CPAT season is March 10th, 2017. **Registration will ONLY be available online for CPAT.** Please use the following link to register for the 2017 Spring CPAT season:

<https://ctlms.ct.gov/Saba/Web/Main>

All those interested must use the online system. The CFA is not accepting registrations for CPAT over the phone, faxed, or mailed applications. The Registration fee is \$150.00. When using the online registration system please do use mobile Apple devices. PC/Mac users will need to turn off pop-up blockers. AMEX is not accepted for payment, VISA or MasterCard only.

For further information or questions, please contact CPAT Program Manager Jason Decremer at 860-264-9242 or jason.decremer@ct.gov

7. Hartford County Regional Fire School Firefighter II Course

Hartford County Regional Fire School is offering Firefighter 2 beginning January 24th, 2017 with classes on Tuesday and Thursday evenings with some Saturdays. The program will be complete and tested out March 25th (Practical Exam) and Written Exam on April 4th. There are still seats available. Information and applications are available on our Website at <http://hcfep.org/fire-school> or by calling Co-Director or Training Jim Baldis @ 860-818-0477.

PLEASE DO NOT REPLY TO THIS EMAIL

2017 Connecticut Fire Officers Weekend



at the

**National Fire Academy
Emmitsburg, Maryland**

March 10, 11, 12, 2017



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Commission on Fire Prevention and Control Connecticut Fire Academy

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Courses

Youth Firesetter Intervention Specialist

Course # 17176

Fire Marshal Credit: 7

This two-day course is based on requirements of National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 1035, Standard on Fire and Life Safety Educator, Public Information Officer, Youth Firesetter Intervention Specialist and Youth Firesetter Program Manager Professional Qualifications. This course provides students with a broad understanding of the knowledge, skills and abilities that the Youth Firesetter Intervention Specialist should have as requirements of NFPA Standard 1035 pertaining to youth firesetting. This course is for the practitioner who provides services at the program delivery level. It replaces Youth Firesetting Prevention and Intervention - Level 1.

Decision Making for Initial Company Operations

Course # 17177

This two-day course is designed to develop the decision-making skills needed by Company Officers (COs) to accomplish assigned tactics at structure fires. All activities and scenarios used in this course are based on structure fires. With the real possibility of being the first to arrive at an incident, the CO's initial decisions will have an impact throughout the entire incident. It is vital that COs be able to make good management decisions that have a favorable impact on the eventual outcome. In addition to a possible role as the initial Incident Commander, the CO may well be assigned a subordinate position within the Incident Command System organization. COs need to have a clear understanding of the system, the position that they are assigned to, and their role in the organization if they are to function effectively and help make the system work.

This course is specifically designed for newly appointed COs and for firefighters who may have acting CO responsibilities or who want to become a CO. This course is an excellent review for experienced COs.

Strategy and Tactics for Initial Company Operations

Course # 17178

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. This course is designed to develop the management skills needed by COs to accomplish assigned tactics at structure fires.

Target audience senior firefighters who may at times assume the responsibilities of the CO (National Fire Protection Association 1001, Standard for Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications, Level II).

Complete both sides of the attached application and return to the Connecticut Fire Academy by January 27, 2017

Building Organizational Support for Community Risk Reduction

Course # 17179

Fire Marshal Credit: 10

This two-day course is designed to help fire and emergency services learn what community risk reduction is and how to build organizational support for it. This course will address the challenges that fire departments face in shifting their priorities from response to prevention. In many departments, community risk reduction is still considered a low priority. This course will show you how community risk reduction can help you and your department become more of a community player in times of decreased budgets. The target audience for this course may include the following: Fire and emergency services personnel who want to learn about community risk reduction. Fire and emergency services personnel who are currently involved with fire prevention and have an interest in advancing risk-reduction efforts in their community.

Incident Command System for Structural Collapse Incidents

Course # 17180

This two-day course is designed to provide fire officers with an understanding of command operations at structural collapse incidents. Students completing this course will be able to: Describe the aspects of a structural collapse. Explain basic command procedures and Incident Command System (ICS) organizational structure. Identify various resource levels, types and capabilities used for structural collapse incidents. Identify critical factors and issues that affect scene management. Describe all unique operational considerations used at a structural collapse incident. Describe all response operations phases associated with a structural collapse incident. Describe the technical rescue expertise and equipment required for safe operations and effective incident management. Students attending should understand and be able to apply the ICS concept.

New Fire Chief: Contemporary Issues

Course # 17181

Fire Marshal Credit: 7

This two-day course will develop the managerial skills, leadership skills, and contemporary issues and awareness necessary for newly appointed or elected fire chiefs to effectively meet their obligations. The course will help to develop knowledge, skills and attitudes necessary for them to perform effectively now and in the future. The primary audience is newly appointed or elected fire chiefs in volunteer, combination or career departments. The secondary audience is departmental leaders who may become fire chiefs and local-level government administrators and elected officials, including fire district commissioners, board members, etc.

NETC Recreation Association operates the Command Post Pub providing beverage and limited food service each evening. The Pub is a private club under Maryland liquor laws and membership in the Recreation Association is required for service. Weekend students are required to pay a \$1.00 fee at check-in for membership cards. The State of Connecticut cannot pay this cost.

Policies

Campus Security: Due to heightened security requirements, please understand that you, your vehicle, or your luggage may be searched by the security and law enforcement personnel.

For your own protection, and to expedite your processing into the NETC, do not bring any firearms or alcohol to campus. For security information only, please call (301) 447-1422; for general information, please call (301) 447-1000. Quiet hours in the dormitories begin at 2300 hours; those that violate the quiet hours are subject to dismissal from campus.

Weapons: Any weapons that are carried onto NFA grounds will be confiscated and will not be returned. The list of weapons include, but are not limited to, firearms, knives, including Gerber/ Leatherman, Halligans, axes, bats, golf clubs etc. Anything that could be used as a weapon including blunt objects will not be allowed. If you drive a department vehicle be sure to strip all the "tools of the trade" items out of it!

Registration: Upon arrival, students must report to Building C to obtain room assignments and room keys. Students will be required to present photo identification in order to register and receive a NFA Photo Identification. If using a Driver's License for identification it must be current. A Driver's License which states "**Not for Federal Identification**" will not be accepted. ID is required for campus readmission. Students may be lodged a distance from the registration building; for this reason we recommend luggage with wheels.

Dress Code: It is each student's responsibility to use good judgment in selecting attire that projects a professional image and that is appropriate for both climate differences and classroom activities. NFA staff has the authority to make a determination that a student's attire may be inappropriate. Students whose attire is determined to be inappropriate will conform to this policy before being allowed to continue class. Shirts must have a collar; t-shirts may be worn after classes conclude for the day.

Transportation

Attention applicants: Students must provide their own transportation to and from the National Fire Academy 16825 South Seton Avenue Emmitsburg, MD 21727.

Schedule of Events

Friday, March 10th: 1600 hours registration and check-in begins building "C".

1645-1900 Evening meal served Building "K",

1900 CT Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service at National Fallen Firefighters Memorial,

1930 Orientation Auditorium Building "J",

2000 Social Hour Student Center Building "B".

Saturday, March 11th: 0630-0830 Breakfast Building "K".

0800 Morning classes begin Building "J"

1140-1230 Lunch hour begins, scheduled per class,

1240-1300 Afternoon classes resume,

1700 Classes end for the day.

1800 Dinner served at Student Center Building "B".

Sunday, March 12th: 0630-0830 Breakfast Building "K",

0800 Morning classes begin Building "J",

1140-1230 Lunch hour begins, scheduled per class,

1240-1300 Afternoon classes resume,

1530 Dismissal of classes.

All belongings must be removed from dormitory rooms prior to the start of Sunday morning classes.

Weekend Cost \$125.00

Includes meals and lodging at NFA

Seminar Series presentations are considered a supplement to firefighter and Fire Officer classes offered by the Connecticut Fire Academy. Classes provided by the Connecticut Fire Academy comply with NFPA standards and best practices of the fire service. Seminar Series are also based on these standards and practices but can and often do include opinions of the subject matter experts that are delivering the presentation. Attending any number of the Seminar Series will allow the student to, not only add to their existing training; but also encourage the student to choose from the opinions of different speakers to develop their own style of strategies and tactics at emergency scenes, as well as inspire them to acquire more knowledge on fire service subjects.



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All held at Connecticut Fire Academy

Leading with Attitude
Chief Ed Buchanan
March 24, 2017
March 25, 2017

Effective Leadership and Dealing with Negativity
Billy Greenword
May 20, 2017

All Hands Fire Conference
Multiple Instructors
September 29 - October 1, 2017

Fire Dynamics on the Fireground
Daniel Madrykowski
November 18, 2017



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Thursday, February 9, 2017

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Student Application Form

A separate application is required for each course.

Please print/type and mail/fax with payment to:

CFPC
34 Perimeter Road,
Windsor Locks, CT 06096-1069

Fax number: (860)654-1889

Last Name _____ First _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone (Home) _____

Work _____

Cell _____ Pager _____

Fire Dept./Organization _____

Email _____

Check box if you would like to subscribe your email address to the CFPC listserv.

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes No
(No one under 18 is allowed to participate in hands-on programs)

Returned Check Policy

A \$25.00 fee will be assessed to all returned checks (insufficient funds, stop payment, etc). In order to complete your registration after the receipt of a returned check, you must submit cash, money order, or a bank check including the amount of tuition and the returned check fee to the registrar.

Please insert your ID number below:

ID Number _____ - _____

Your ID consists of the first (3) letters of your last name and the last (4) numbers of your social security number.

Example: John Adams - SS# 000-00-5555
The new ID # will be ADA-5555

As Chief of the (**Fire Department**):

or as Supervisor of the (**Organization**):

Print **Name**:

I hereby authorize the above applicant to participate in the program below and, therefore, understand that the above-named individual will be covered by my organization's Worker's Compensation Insurance while participating in such training, and that the Commission on Fire Prevention and Control, its commissioners, officers, agents or employees shall not be liable for any injuries sustained during such training. This applicant is considered by my department's standards to be physically and emotionally fit to perform firefighting evolutions without special considerations, and where applicable, to meet the 29 CFR 1910.134 standard for the use of respirators (Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus).

Chief or Supervisor (Signature):

No application will be accepted without tuition, authorized signature and proof of prerequisite (if required).

Register me for the following course:

Course Title **Modern Fire Attack**

Course # **17350**

Date **Thursday, February 9, 2017** Tuition **\$55.00**

Method of Payment - Payment is required at time of registration. Do not send cash.

Faxes must include Credit Card or Purchase Order #.

Check made payable to CFPC

Purchase Order # _____

VISA or MC Card # _____

Expiration Date: _____

Card Holder's Name: _____

Card Holder's Signature: _____

Open Enrollment Forcible Entry Training

When the weather outside is frightful...
Training inside's delightful...

Newtown H&L Hosting Winter Forcible Entry!

February 13 @ 7 PM (classroom) and

February 16 @ 6 PM (hands on)

Inward Opening, Outward Opening, Bolt Shearing, Hinge Pulling, and Through the Lock Stations!

Cost: \$100 for both nights!

PPE Required for Feb 16th



Register:

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events](http://flashfireindustries.com/events)

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