



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND PUBLIC
PROTECTION
COMMISSION ON FIRE PREVENTION AND CONTROL

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The Connecticut Fire Academy (CFA) partnered with several Connecticut Fire Officers to assist you and your department with training, standard operating procedures, and responses to Electric Vehicle (EV), Energy Storage Systems (ESS) and Lithium-Ion Battery (LIB) incidents.

The CFA recognizes that all departments and agencies are still in the learning process with respect to fire and emergency response to these types of incidents. This document was prepared as a preliminary guidance document that can serve the wide range of fire service agencies within the state. Due to diverse size and composition of Connecticut fire departments, this document is not intended as a granular or agency specific approach for response. Rather, the CFA views this issue as a fluid process that will involve a continuous learning process with regular revisions in this rapidly changing environment.

Recent media and internet reports have been responsible for the dissemination of inaccurate, inflated, conflicting, or false information related to fire and emergency response to these types of incidents. The CFA is confident that all Connecticut fire departments are presently able to respond to this type of incident. Please utilize these documents as well as the links below for additional information to assist you in these responses.

Please contact P.J. Norwood, Director of Training for the Connecticut Fire Academy, for additional information.

Respectfully yours,

P.J. Norwood

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Additional Resources: [IAFC Lithium-Ion and Energy Storage Systems](#) and [NFPA EV Resources](#)

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