e-NFIRS

NFIRS is getting a fresh and user-friendly update. The new version "e-NFIRS" (NFIRS Modernization) launches in October 2020. The updated website will provide new tools to help supplement what you already use for data entry and analysis. Check out these Top 10 things to know:

1. **There will be a new website to access NFIRS.**
   The old website and tools will be unavailable starting in October. State Fire will help you transition to the new website. The exact date will be announced by the United States Fire Administration.

2. **The codes won't change – but rules will be enforced.**
   You may see more of your reports flagged as "invalid" after import.

3. **There will be a single login page to access the tools you need.**
   No more logging in and logging out to view, edit, and analyze your data.

4. **You will have the ability to change your own password.**
   Additionally, new accounts can be requested through the website.

5. **The new layout is mobile-friendly.**
   As long as you have internet access, you can fill out your incident report at the incident scene.

6. **Fire departments are expected to import their own incidents using the new website.**
   Because we know this is a new expectation, State Fire will provide "how-to" documents for completing the process.

7. **The Data Warehouse will be available to fire departments who want access.**
   The Data Warehouse is a free website using current NFIRS data from all over the country. Your fire department's data can be analyzed for quality in more in-depth ways, and you can compare your department's data with any fire department in the country. This tool is perfect for program managers, administrators, and those seeking accreditation.

8. **DEBI, SORT, BIU, BEU, and national training materials remain the same.**
   They may have a more streamlined look and a new location, but everything you use for incident reporting is there.

9. **If you would like to practice NFIRS reporting, the "State of TR" will be available for you.**
   You can use the NFIRS website to train your fire department without impacting your actual incident data.

10. **South Carolina State NFIRS is here to stay.**
    Interactive dashboards, links to NFIRS Training Online, information about classes, and other administrative materials will still be available on the webpage. Most importantly, the CRR Section staff is here to help with every step of this transition.

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