
South Carolina Fire Academy

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South Carolina / Rhode Island State Weekend

National Fire Academy Emmitsburg, MD

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STATE WEEKEND REGISTRATION

Thank you for your willingness to participate in this one-of-a-kind two-day educational opportunity. Early registration is advised because, unless otherwise stated, enrollment in each program is limited to 20 students. Applicants must choose **three** courses (second and third choices must be sent to Mike Dunlap at SCFA).

Please take a moment to review and complete the following five registration requirements:

Step 1: Obtain FEMA SID Number

A FEMA SID is required to register for and participate in any training provided by FEMA agencies. This serves as a personal identification number and merges any FEMA training records into one account to keep track of your FEMA training accomplishments. To obtain a SID number, visit: <https://cdp.dhs.gov/femasid>.

Step 2: Obtain Full COVID Vaccination

If you are ill within 14 days prior to training, the NFA asks that you not attend training. Per policy, students and instructors attending Resident Courses at NFA must be fully vaccinated for COVID-19. There are no exceptions. *Proof is required when applying and before being admitted on campus.*

MORE: <https://www.usfa.fema.gov/training/nfa/covid-19-information.html>

Step 3: Complete the online General Admissions Application

Search for the *specific NFA course number* (see course description) and July 9-10, 2022

Register via <https://training.fema.gov/generaladmissionsapplication/staticforms/startapplication.aspx>

Step 4: Complete Fire Portal Registration – First Class Preference

Register for your **first** class preference via the Fire Portal. Click on the direct registration link found with each course description starting on page 3 of this booklet.

Step 5: Email Information to SC State Fire

For registration to be complete, email the following information to Mike.Dunlap@lir.sc.gov.

- Legal name
- Name of Fire Department
- Choice of **second** class preference
- Choice of **third** class preference
- Polo shirt size

PRIOR TO CAMPUS ARRIVAL

Suggested Courses

All SCFA students should complete Incident Command System (ICS) 100 and 200 prior to arrival.

Preferred self-study courses Q462 and Q463 are available free via [NFA Online](#). Chief's signature attests the applicant has completed required training.

Bring Valid Photo Identification

You are required to show valid photo identification to access the campus.

Review FEMA's Welcome Package

This detailed booklet provides information each student needs to know (i.e. dress code).

VISIT: https://www.usfa.fema.gov/downloads/pdf/state_weekend_welcome_package.pdf

BILLING

The two-day course costs \$150 per person and is non-refundable.

Please note: For your convenience, billing is completed after the State Weekend training event.

Cost includes:

- Class polo shirt
- NETC Recreation Membership
- Friday night dinner
- After dinner social
- Saturday meals (3)
- Sunday breakfast and lunch.

Transferring Registration

A registration can be transferred to another individual prior to, but no later than, June 28.

Confirmations

Confirmations will be emailed shortly after June 6, 2022. If the first course for which a student has registered is canceled or full, the student is transferred to one of the other choices.

NFA Class Policy

Any student who fails to attend class and did not cancel his/her enrollment is suspended from attending NFA courses for two years.

SECURITY REMINDERS

Due to heightened security requirements, please understand security and law enforcement personnel may search you, your vehicle, or your luggage.

Other security regulations include:

- Firearms are strictly forbidden at the National Fire Academy. Other weapons include knives longer than three inches, machetes, bow and arrows, ammunition, rifles, shotguns, pistols are also prohibited and will likely result in denied access to the Academy.
- Alcohol is not allowed on campus and will be confiscated. Consumption of alcoholic beverages is limited to the Command Post Pub.

COURSE OFFERINGS

Registration Deadline: Friday, May 27, 2022

Leadership in Supervision: Creating Environments for Professional Growth (LIS: CEPG)

Course Code/Section Numbers:	SCFA Course #7620-23001	NFA Course #W0646
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Course Description: This two-day course presents the supervisor with the basic leadership skills and tools needed to perform effectively in the fire and EMS environment. The course includes concepts related to a successful transition to supervisory and leadership roles, including concepts of adaptive leadership; change management; active followership; effective communication, including difficult conversations and advocacy-inquiry based dialogue; ethics; authority; power; decision-making; and active engagement through development of a personal plan.

Direct Registration: <https://fire.llr.sc.gov/Portal/Registration/registration.aspx?crsidnt=73952>

New Fire Chief: Challenging Issues (NFC: CI)

Course Code/Section Numbers:	SCFA Course #7241-23001	NFA Course # W0760
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Course Description: This two-day course is designed to develop the managerial, administrative and leadership skills necessary for the first-time fire chief and chief officer who desire a leadership position in their department. This course addresses critical knowledge and skills pertaining to the responsibilities of a fire chief.

Topics include:

- Local politics and the role of the chief officer.
- Liability and risk management.
- Resources and items of knowledge needed to become a first-time leader in a new position in his/her agency.

Direct Registration: <https://fire.llr.sc.gov/Portal/Registration/registration.aspx?crsidnt=73953>

Fire Investigation: First Responder (FI: FR)

Course Code/Section Numbers:	SCFA Course #7209-23001	NFA Course # W0770
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Course Description: This two-day course presents a basic overview of a fire investigation. Students will review the basics of fire chemistry and develop an understanding of the role of the first responder in relation to fire suppression and fire investigation. The course will stress the importance of fire scene awareness, evidence identification, preservation, and the basics of a fire investigation. Students will develop an appreciation of the convergence of suppression, investigation, science, and law.

Direct Registration: <https://fire.llr.sc.gov/Portal/Registration/registration.aspx?crsidnt=73958>

Fire Service Safety Culture: Who Protects Firefighters from Firefighters (FSSC: WPFFF)

Course Code/Section Numbers:	SCFA Course #7115-23001	NFA Course # W0349
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Course Description: This two-day course is designed to assist emergency services personnel in defining and advocating organizational change within the fire service relating to safety. Topics include:

- Safety and risk cultures within organizations.
- Influences on safety culture and risk categories.
- Concepts, goals, and processes of risk management.

The course incorporates facilitated student-centered methodologies including lecture, small and large group activities, and individual assessments.

Direct Registration: <https://fire.llr.sc.gov/Portal/Registration/registration.aspx?crsidnt=73954>

Strategies & Tactics for Initial Company Operations (STICO)

Course Code/Section Numbers:	SCFA Course #7188-23001	NFA Course # W0455
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Course Description: 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.

Direct Registration: <https://fire.llr.sc.gov/Portal/Registration/registration.aspx?crsidnt=73955>

Executive Skills Series: Exercising Leadership Ethically

Course Code/Section Numbers:	SCFA Course #7605-23001	NFA Course # W0523
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Course Description: This two-day course provides students with the ability to recognize ethical dilemmas in the context of their environments, apply a decision model to resolve these dilemmas, render ethical decisions, and defend under scrutiny the resulting decisions that were made in an effort to resolve these dilemmas.

Direct Registration: <https://fire.llr.sc.gov/Portal/Registration/registration.aspx?crsidnt=73956>

Introduction to Unified Command for All Hazard Incidents (IUCAHI)

Course Code/Section Numbers:	SCFA Course #7748-23001	NFA Course #W0609
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Course Description: This two-day course is designed to provide Company Officers (COs) with a better understanding of multiagency needs and a Unified Command structure. The attendees will gain an understanding of the requirements of a Unified Command organization and provide learners with the knowledge and skills necessary to operate effectively in complex incidents.

Direct Registration: <https://fire.llr.sc.gov/Portal/Registration/registration.aspx?crsidnt=73957>

LOCAL ACTIVITIES OF INTEREST

Fallen Firefighter Memorial Service (30 minutes)

On Saturday, immediately following class, a Memorial Service will be held in the Chapel, followed by a procession to the Monument. All Fallen Firefighters from Rhode Island and South Carolina will be remembered.

Self-Guided Walking Tour

The NETC/NFA campus, which was purchased from the Catholic Church by the US Federal Government in 1979, includes many historical buildings that comprise this Fire School. Previously, it was known as St. Joseph's College. Many interventions were implemented as a result of a 1973 national study of fire loss in the United States. This report known as "[America Burning](#)" included the establishment of a National Fire School.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

Students must make their own travel arrangements from SC. The drive is typically 8-10 hours.

Transportation costs are the responsibility of the student or his/her organization and will not be reimbursed by the National Fire Academy or the S.C. Fire Academy. **Please arrive on Friday, July 8, 2022, no later than 6 p.m. to check into the dormitory and attend the 7 p.m. orientation session.**

Air Travel can be arranged to either Washington National Airport or Baltimore Washington International Airport. If flying, students are responsible for providing all ground transportation to and from NFA.

Ground Travel from South Carolina

Via Interstate I-95

I-95 N to I-395
I-395 to I-495
I-495 to I-270
I-270 N becomes US 40 W
US 40 W becomes US 15 N
US 15 N through Thurmont to South Seton Avenue
Left on South Seton Avenue to NFA Gate on Right

Via Interstate I-77/I-81

I-77 N to I-81 near Wytheville, VA
I-81 N to Winchester, VA area exit on US 7
US 7 to US 340 (about 5 miles)
US 340 towards Charles Town and Harper's Ferry
US 340 at Charles Town take exit onto US 340 towards Harper's Ferry
US 340 to US 15 N at Frederick, Maryland
US 15 N through Thurmont to South Seton Avenue
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