



Upcoming: Free SC Fire Academy and National Fire Academy Courses

2023 – One Training Offering

7736 Decision Making Initial Company Operations (DMICO) F0457

Course Code/Section Number: 7736-24002

Dates	Time	Location	Registration Deadline
Saturday & Sunday Dec. 2 & 3, 2023	8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.	SCFA Campus, Columbia	Friday, Oct. 20, 2023

Course Description: This two-day course is designed to develop the decision-making skills needed by Company Officers (COs) to accomplish assigned tactics at structure fires. 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.

This course is an excellent review for experienced Company Officers.

Prerequisites include ICS-100-level and ICS-200-level training. Preferred courses are Q462 and Q463, available through [NFA Online](#). Chief's signature attests that the applicant has completed this required training.

Syllabus: https://apps.usfa.fema.gov/ax/syll/syllabus_f0457.pdf

Direct Registration: <https://fire.llr.sc.gov/Portal/Registration/registration.aspx?crsidnt=77296>

2024 Classes- 10 Training Offerings

7241 New Fire Chief I: Challenging Issues (NFC: CI) F0760

Course Code/Section Number: 7241-24001

Dates	Time	Location	Registration Deadline
Monday & Tuesday Jan. 22 & 23, 2024	8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.	SCFA Campus, Columbia	Friday, Dec. 8, 2023

Course Description: This two-day course is designed to develop the managerial, administrative, and leadership skills necessary for the first-time fire chief or chief officer who desires a leadership position in their department. This course addresses critical knowledge and skills pertaining to the responsibilities of a fire chief.

Topics covered include:

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

Syllabus: https://apps.usfa.fema.gov/ax/syll/syllabus_f0760.pdf

Direct Registration: <https://fire.llr.sc.gov/Portal/Registration/registration.aspx?crsidnt=79900>

7209 Fire Investigation: First Responders (FI: FR) F0770

Course Code/Section Number: 7209-24001

Dates	Time	Location	Registration Deadline
Saturday & Sunday Feb. 10 & 11, 2024	8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.	SCFA Campus, Columbia	Friday, Dec. 29, 2023

Course Description: This two-day weekend 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.

Syllabus: https://apps.usfa.fema.gov/ax/syll/syllabus_f0770.pdf

Direct Registration: <https://fire.llr.sc.gov/Portal/Registration/registration.aspx?crsidnt=79891>

7114 Incident Safety Officer (ISO) O0729

Course Code/Section Number: 7114-24001

Dates	Time	Location	Registration Deadline
Saturday & Sunday Feb. 17 & 18, 2024	8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.	SCFA Campus, Columbia	Friday, Jan. 5, 2024

Course Description: This two-day weekend course examines the Safety Officer's role at emergency responses. A specific focus on operations within an Incident Command System (ICS) as a Safety Officer is a main theme. Response to all-hazards types of situations will be emphasized.

Direct Registration: <https://fire.llr.sc.gov/Portal/Registration/registration.aspx?crsidnt=79892>

7762 Demonstrating Your Community Risk Reduction Program's Worth N0378

Six-Day Course N0378/ Course Code/Section Number 7762-24001

Dates	Time	Location	Registration Deadline
Monday - Saturday March 11-16, 2024	8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.	SCFA Campus, Columbia	Friday, Jan. 26, 2024

Course Description: This six-day course provides students with the tools and skills to be able to evaluate their organization's fire and injury prevention programs. The course provides a systematic way to improve and account for evaluation actions by involving procedures that are useful, feasible, ethical, and accurate.

Course framework guides fire prevention professionals in their use of prevention program evaluation. It is a practical, nonprescriptive tool, designed to summarize and organize essential elements of prevention program evaluation. The emphasis is on the practical, ongoing evaluation strategies that involve all prevention stakeholders, not just evaluation experts.

Main themes of the course include:

- Misconceptions regarding the purposes and methods of prevention evaluation,
- The essential elements of prevention program evaluation,
- The steps for conducting effective prevention program evaluation, and
- Review standards for effective program evaluation.

Direct Registration: <https://fire.llr.sc.gov/Portal/Registration/registration.aspx?crsidnt=79893>

7188 Strategies and Tactics Initial Company Operations (STICO) O0455

Course Code/Section Number: 7188-24001

Dates	Time	Location	Registration Deadline
Monday - Tuesday March 25 & 26, 2024	8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.	SCFA Campus, Columbia	Friday, Feb. 9, 2024

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=79894>

7021 Youth Firesetter Program Manager (YFPM) F0634

Course Code/Section Number: 7021-24001

Dates	Time	Location	Registration Deadline
Saturday & Sunday April 13-14, 2024	8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.	SCFA Campus, Columbia	Monday, Feb. 26, 2024

Course Description: This two-day course is based on the requirements of National Fire Protection Association 1035, *Standard on Fire and Life Safety Educator, Public Information Officer, Youth Firesetter Intervention Specialist and Youth Firesetter Program Manager Professional Qualifications* pertaining to the youth firesetting program manager. It empowers students with knowledge on how to develop, enhance, or rejuvenate a youth firesetting prevention and intervention program.

This course is designed for the person who is responsible, or will be responsible, for leading a youth firesetting prevention and intervention program. Students evaluate the existing state of their current youth firesetting program, develop a vision for moving forward, construct an action plan, and deliver a persuasive speech to decision-makers for advancing the program.

There is an extensive, graded **pre-course assignment** that prepares students for engaging in the subject matter and working with firesetting youth. Visit: https://apps.usfa.fema.gov/ax/pcm/pcm_f0634.pdf

Syllabus: https://apps.usfa.fema.gov/ax/syll/syllabus_f0634.pdf

Direct Registration: <https://fire.llr.sc.gov/Portal/Registration/registration.aspx?crsidnt=79895>

7620 Leadership in Supervision: Creating Environments for Professional Growth F0646

(LIS: CEPG) F0646/ Course Code/Section Number: 7620-24001

Dates	Time	Location	Registration Deadline
Monday - Tuesday May 13 & 14, 2024	8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.	SCFA Campus, Columbia	Friday, March 29, 2024

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.

Syllabus: https://apps.usfa.fema.gov/ax/syll/syllabus_f0646.pdf

Direct Registration: <https://fire.llr.sc.gov/Portal/Registration/registration.aspx?crsidnt=79901>

7177 Training Operations - Small Departments (TOSD) O0290

Course Code/Section Number: 7177-24001

Dates	Time	Location	Registration Deadline
Saturday-Sunday June 22 & 23, 2024	8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.	SCFA Campus, Columbia	Monday, May 6, 2024

Course Description: This two-day weekend course provides students with some basic tools and skills to coordinate training in a small fire/EMS organization. A training function in a smaller department typically may include conducting training drills and coordinating training with a nearby larger city or state-training function.

Course content includes:

- Leadership issues in fire service training, such as why and how the local training officer must be a catalyst for change and personal motivators within the department,
- Identifying the legal issues affecting the training function, including an understanding of a standard of care and the impact of OSHA and NFPA standards,
- Safety considerations in training,
- Marketing training internally,
- Identifying ways to justify training needs,
- Resolving training conflicts using appropriate conflict resolution techniques,
- Selecting and evaluating training curricula and materials from outside sources, and
- Effective delivery and evaluation of training.

Direct Registration: <https://fire.llr.sc.gov/Portal/Registration/registration.aspx?crsidnt=79897>

7763 Fire Inspection Principles 1 (FIP 1) N0390

Six-day course N0390/ Course Code/Section Number: 7763-25001

Dates	Time	Location	Registration Deadline
Monday - Saturday August 5 – 10, 2024	8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.	SCFA Campus, Columbia	Friday, June 21, 2024

Course Description: This six-day, fundamental-level course introduces the student to the fundamental methodology for application of fire and life safety codes and standards. Although it contains many of the basic principles of code enforcement, more experienced code inspectors and officials might find it useful as a review of essential methodologies and as a useful update to current code enforcement applications.

It is not the intent of this course to present specific code requirements; however, this course focuses more on the methodology of the use of these requirements.

Selection criteria

- Individuals whose primary duties are those of a full-time code enforcement inspector/officer with at least six months experience.
- Municipal fire department instructors or senior inspectors who have the responsibility to train their personnel involved in full-time code enforcement activities.
- Suppression Company Officers responsible for in-service fire code enforcement.
- Fire investigation personnel involved in post-fire code studies and analysis.

Note: Special consideration is given to individuals and departments starting new fire prevention bureaus or preparing an individual as an instructor for a code enforcement-training program within their department. A **pre-course reading assignment must be completed** before attending.

Direct Registration: <https://fire.llr.sc.gov/Portal/Registration/registration.aspx?crsidnt=79899>

7240 Executive Skills Series: Exercising Leadership Within Communities (ESS: ELWC) F0520
Course Code/Section Number: 7240-25002

Dates	Time	Location	Registration Deadline
Monday - Tuesday August 19 & 20, 2024	8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.	SCFA Campus, Columbia	Friday, July 5, 2024

Course Description: This two-day course will provide fire service authority figures with knowledge and skills, enabling them to exercise leadership when confronting adaptive challenges presented by increasingly diverse internal and external communities. The goal of the course is for participants to use the diversity of ideas, peoples and cultures as resources in exercising leadership to address adaptive challenges in their communities.

Syllabus: https://apps.usfa.fema.gov/ax/syll/syllabus_f0520.pdf

Direct Registration: <https://fire.llr.sc.gov/Portal/Registration/registration.aspx?crsidnt=79763>

NOTES:

The National Fire Academy requires a minimum number of students to be enrolled by the registration deadline, or the class is canceled.

Although NFA Direct Delivery Courses training is free, lodging and meals will be billed separately.

Questions?
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