



## Upcoming: SC Fire Academy and National Fire Academy Courses

Thank you for your interest in these upcoming National Fire Academy courses being held on the SC State Fire campus in Columbia, SC. There are no course fees associated with NFA Direct Delivery courses; however, lodging and meals will be billed separately.

Please register as soon as possible. The National Fire Academy requires a minimum number of students to be enrolled by the registration deadline or the class is canceled.

### 2025 Training Offerings

#### Advanced Science of Hazardous Materials/Weapons of Mass Dest.

Course Code/Section Number: 7159-26001

Dates	Time	Location	Registration Deadline
October 27 – November 1, 2025	8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.	SC State Fire Campus, Columbia	Monday, Sept. 15, 2025
<b>Direct Registration:</b> <a href="https://fire.llr.sc.gov/Portal/Secure/Enrollment.aspx?sectionId=86028&amp;hash=84D4475706A7FB22B997F236099F45D5D321E1FCE45E8C0847B79F4C0CBB3A96">https://fire.llr.sc.gov/Portal/Secure/Enrollment.aspx?sectionId=86028&amp;hash=84D4475706A7FB22B997F236099F45D5D321E1FCE45E8C0847B79F4C0CBB3A96</a>			

#### Class materials: Bring Your Own Device

It is highly recommended that individuals have completed (Q0228) Foundational Concepts of Chemistry, available through NFA Online, and (R0233) Chemical Hazard Analysis for Risk-Based Response, a 10-day on-campus course, prior to attending this course.

This six-day course is designed to facilitate comprehension, analysis and implementation of the facts and science given the circumstances associated with risk-based response/decision-making. This scenario-based course is intended to facilitate students gaining and sharing the knowledge, skills and abilities to effectively make and verbalize justifiable risk-based decisions and sharing those outcomes with others involved in the response decision-making process. Throughout the course, students work on scenario-based activities relating to the development of science-based, incident-related information that meets the needs of the community and is justifiable and compatible with the current and emerging standard of care.

**Fire Investigation: Fire as a Weapon**  
Course Code/Section Number: 7210-26001

Dates	Time	Location	Registration Deadline
Thursday & Friday October 9 & 10, 2025	8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.	SC State Fire Campus, Columbia	Monday August 25, 2025

**Direct Registration:**

<https://fire.llr.sc.gov/Portal/Secure/Enrollment.aspx?sectionId=86026&hash=67485987088F96D72377A52DCA93199D98A9CCB71E6D53346AA55984A5DEA22A>

It is highly recommended that individuals have completed (W0770) Fire Investigation: First Responders prior to attending this course.

This course was developed to aid first responders in understanding and recognizing how fire can be used as a weapon against people and/or property. This course should also help first responders and investigators understand why a person would choose to use fire as a weapon, as well as creating awareness of the types of information fire investigators may need from fire and emergency services personnel.

**Best Practices in Community Risk Reduction**  
Course Code/Section Number: 7760-26001

Dates	Time	Location	Registration Deadline
Monday & Tuesday Oct. 20 & 21, 2025	8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.	SC State Fire Campus, Columbia	Monday, Sept. 8, 2025

**Direct Registration:**

<https://fire.llr.sc.gov/Portal/Secure/Enrollment.aspx?sectionId=86027&hash=F1FBEA7756C17B42A52D1AF28F4C87F407E8479C6AE6AD17C577E1064B10F001>

This two-day course demonstrates to students nationally recognized principles that, when used appropriately, can lead to community risk-reduction programs that can measure success in local communities.

This course will give students the opportunity to explore programs from communities across the United States that have been showcased at Vision 20/20 symposiums. These programs demonstrate what nationally recognized organizations identify as examples of “best practices” in community risk reduction.

## Mid-Winter NFA Weekend at Home

### 2026 Classes - Training Offerings

#### EMS Response: Supervising EMS

Course Code/Section Number 7746-26003

Dates	Time	Location	Registration Deadline
Saturday & Sunday Feb. 21 & 22, 2026	8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.	SC State Fire Campus, Columbia	Monday, Jan. 5, 2026

#### Direct Registration:

<https://fire.llr.sc.gov/Portal/Secure/Enrollment.aspx?sectionId=86036&hash=B6F81AE0C55955A2FA65724A702D2901B57F3B14D13833F240AA1EA0C6BA38E6>

This 2-day course provides an introduction to the knowledge, skills and abilities required to navigate current emergency medical services (EMS) management issues and the challenges in moving from EMS provider to EMS supervisor.

Course topics and activities include:

- The transition to leadership
- Time and task management
- Communication
- Information and technology
- Talent management
- Health and safety

#### CRR: Youth Firesetter Intervention Specialist

Course Code/Section Number: 7124-25002

Dates	Time	Location	Registration Deadline
Saturday & Sunday Feb. 21 & 22, 2026	8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.	SC State Fire Campus, Columbia	Monday, Jan. 5, 2026

#### Direct Registration:

<https://fire.llr.sc.gov/Portal/Secure/Enrollment.aspx?sectionId=86037&hash=4DAF29B0D4F13EC8E6444D586827C19AE0D6CC3E2A4535528ED6AA961443F420>

Youth Firesetter Intervention Specialist is a 2-day NFA course based on the requirements of NFPA Standard 1035 pertaining to the Youth Firesetting Intervention Specialist. The course focuses on how identification, intake, screening, disposition, and follow-up are used to mitigate youth firesetting behavior.

This course is for the practitioner who provides services at the program delivery level. Note: There is a pre-course assignment students will need to bring to class. To achieve the optimal benefits of the course, we ask that you perform some basic research in advance of the course.

Please come prepared to discuss the following information pertinent to your community:

- Is your community urban, suburban, rural or a mixture (per se)?
- How many youth firesetting (YFS) incidents does your organization handle per year?
- What types of YFS incidents do you handle the most frequently?
- Are there particular age groups that represent a greater problem than others?

- What is the minimum age at which your jurisdiction can file criminal charges against a youth for fire-related incidents?
- If charges can be filed, what is the average number of youth that are charged per year?
- On average, how many injuries caused by youth firesetting does your community experience per year? How many deaths?
- On average, how much property loss is associated with youth firesetting per year?

If your organization currently has a YFSPI program, please bring copies of the various documents that are utilized to support it, such as intake and screening forms. Please also bring a copy of any lesson plans for the educational component of your program. If your organization does not have a program, do not worry. The course includes many examples of support materials.

### Fire Investigation: Fire Response

Course Code/Section Number: 7209-26001

Dates	Time	Location	Registration Deadline
Saturday & Sunday Feb. 21 & 22, 2026	8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.	SC State Fire Campus, Columbia	Monday, Jan. 5, 2026
<b>Direct Registration:</b> <a href="https://fire.llr.sc.gov/Portal/Secure/Enrollment.aspx?sectionId=86039&amp;hash=4C55723158FC0A3489DEF3F1F4D5B9E259E6A8D40858BD9F8BFD5D59846A4095">https://fire.llr.sc.gov/Portal/Secure/Enrollment.aspx?sectionId=86039&amp;hash=4C55723158FC0A3489DEF3F1F4D5B9E259E6A8D40858BD9F8BFD5D59846A4095</a>			

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. This is a great entry level Fire Investigation Course that can help prepare for the advanced levels.

Questions?  
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