



ARFF Training Bulletin

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SCFA AIRPORT RESCUE FIREFIGHTING PROGRAM UPDATES TO NFPA 1010 STANDARD

The South Carolina Fire Academy has updated its Airport Rescue Firefighting program, aligning training and curriculum with the latest NFPA 1010: Standard for Aviation Professional Qualifications. This revision reflects the Academy's ongoing commitment to providing cutting-edge, nationally recognized training for emergency responders in aviation environments.

NFPA 1010, which replaces elements of the former NFPA 1003 standard, emphasizes modernized competencies and operational readiness tailored to today's complex airport and aircraft response scenarios. The updated ARFF program at SCFA incorporates enhanced tactical training, advanced rescue techniques, and a strong focus on safety and compliance with FAA and industry best practices.

Through this update, SCFA ensures its students and departments remain at the forefront of ARFF readiness, equipped to protect lives and property in aviation emergencies across South Carolina and beyond.

CUSTOMER SPOTLIGHT: CHARLOTTE FIRE DEPARTMENT ENHANCES ARFF READINESS AT SC FIRE ACADEMY

The South Carolina Fire Academy recently welcomed the Charlotte Fire Department for a Part 139 live fire refresher training. Over the course of several sessions, 110 firefighters stationed at Charlotte Douglas International Airport (CLT) participated in specialized drills designed to meet FAA requirements and sharpen critical response skills in high-pressure aviation environments.

This hands-on training provided Charlotte's ARFF personnel the opportunity to practice aircraft firefighting tactics in realistic live-fire scenarios, reinforcing their readiness to protect passengers, crew, and airport infrastructure.





UPCOMING TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

The South Carolina Fire Academy's ARFF program is accredited by the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress. The Academy is also an FAA Regional ARFF fire-training center. Training opportunities are available:

3400-26001	AIRPORT FIREFIGHTER	9/29/2025 — 10/03/2025
3400-26002	AIRPORT FIREFIGHTER	11/03/2025 — 11/07/2025
3400-26003	AIRPORT FIREFIGHTER	12/08/2025 — 12/12/2025
3400-26004	AIRPORT FIREFIGHTER	1/5/2026 — 1/9/2026
3400-26005	AIRPORT FIREFIGHTER	2/9/2026 — 2/13/2026
3400-26006	AIRPORT FIREFIGHTER	3/02/2026 — 3/6/2026
3400-26007	AIRPORT FIREFIGHTER	4/13/2026 — 4/17/2026
3400-26008	AIRPORT FIREFIGHTER	5/11/2026 — 5/15/2026

TO REGISTER

- Complete a <u>SC Fire Academy registration form</u>.
- Indicate if you need to rent bunker gear (additional \$65) for the training program or if you will be bringing your own. Structural gear is acceptable in the ARFF program.
- Provide the full name, address, contact number, and name of the entity responsible for course payment. If this information is not provided, registration cannot be processed.
- Sign the release section, date the form accordingly, and have your Chief Officer sign where indicated.
- Attach Firefighter II certification: IFSAC or Pro-Board is acceptable. This registration requirement cannot be waived.

OFF-SITE STUDENT HOUSING

In the event the SC Fire Academy's dormitory is full or unavailable, the DoubleTree by Hilton is less than 10 miles away (15 minutes) from the Academy site. Their 2025 rate for students attending classes and events at the Academy is \$103 per night, including breakfast. For stays of five nights or more, the rate is \$89 per night, and includes breakfast each morning.

> DoubleTree by Hilton Columbia 2100 Bush River Road Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Two ways to make your reservation:

- Call 1-803-731-0300 and mention group: South Carolina State Fire #0002765133, or
- Utilize convenient <u>online booking</u>