

# Industry Training News Brief



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## SOUTH CAROLINA FIRE ACADEMY: MEETING INDUSTRY TRAINING NEEDS WITH SPECIALIZED PROGRAMS

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Industrial fires present unique challenges, often requiring a rapid and effective response to contain and mitigate damage. The South Carolina Fire Academy is proud to be a resource for industrial training across the United States, offering specialized programs that meet OSHA and industry-specific requirements.

Our Fire Brigade, Hazardous Materials, and Technical Rescue programs are tailored to meet the diverse needs of South Carolina's industries. Each course is led by expert instructors who bring real-world experience and technical expertise to create a practical, hands-on learning environment. From fire suppression techniques to understanding fire behavior in industrial environments, participants learn critical skills to protect both lives and property.

The Academy's Industrial Training Section offers both on-site and facility-based training options. By bringing our instructors to your location, or hosting your team at our state-of-the-art training facility, we provide flexible solutions that allow companies to access the training they need, when and where they need it.

For more information on our industrial training programs or to schedule a consultation, [please contact the SCFA Industrial Training Division](#). Together, we can create safer workplaces and stronger communities across South Carolina.



# AVAILABLE INITIAL FIRE BRIGADE CLASSES

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The five-day 9124-Initial Fire Brigade class is a combination of the 9121-Interior Structural Firefighting and 9181-Flammable Liquids and Gas Firefighting courses. There is a written exam and practical skills evaluation on the final day. This course meets OSHA 29 CFR 1910.156/120.

<i>Industrial Fire Brigade Training Available at SC State Fire</i>
2025 Dates
February 10-14, 2025
April 14-18, 2025
October 6-20, 2025
November 10-14, 2025

## Registration Checklist:

- Complete a [SC Fire Academy registration form](#). If you do not know your FDID, leave it blank.
- Insert either your Student ID number previously issued by SC State Fire or the last five (5) digits of your Social Security number (if you have one) in the space labeled "Student ID."
- If you are from a foreign country, leave it blank.
- If you are a returning student, your Student ID number is found by logging into your [Fire Portal account](#).
- Provide the correct course code and dates at the top of the form. The course code is two series of numbers (i.e. 3400-20001).
- 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 person or entity who is 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. If you are self-sponsoring, you do not need to include your Chief Officer's signature.
- Attach Firefighter II certification. IFSAC or Pro-Board is acceptable. This registration requirement cannot be waived.

**Class Schedule:** Class starts at 8:30 a.m. on the Monday of the training week. Class will be conducted through Friday of the same week up until 5 p.m.

**Clothing:** No shorts, flip-flops, tank tops, jeans, or other similar apparel can be worn in class. Be sure you have appropriate clothing such as a station uniform, and casual clothing (pants/collared shirt). No facial hair that interferes with the seal of the SCBA is allowed.

**Payment:** An invoice and confirmation letter will be sent to the student/student's agency. Invoice payment instructions are noted in the confirmation letter. Please make payment by calling Candace Bass at 803-896-9812.

## SPOTLIGHT ON INDUSTRY TRAINING STAFF

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Captain William Sloan, originally from St. Marys, Georgia, now resides in Due West, South Carolina, with his wife and three children. He began his fire service career in 1999 as a firefighter with the Moultrie Fire Department in Moultrie, Georgia. In 2001, he returned to his hometown, joining the Glynn County Fire Department, where he dedicated much of his service to Station 2 on St. Simons Island. Before joining the South Carolina Fire Academy, Sloan served at Clemson University Fire & EMS as the Senior Firefighter on C shift and managed the CUFD Technical Rescue Team. His exemplary service earned him the Fire Chief's Commendation for his outstanding contributions to Clemson University, the City of Clemson, and the surrounding community.



**Our mission is to provide the highest level of emergency response and management training as safely, effectively and efficiently as possible. We cover all aspects of fire protection, ranging from basic incipient fire brigade training to comprehensive hazardous materials technician training.**

# 2025: 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.

Two ways to make your reservation:

1. Call 1-803-731-0300 and mention group: South Carolina State Fire #0002765133, or
2. Utilize convenient [online booking](#).

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

## COLUMBIA CAMPUS

From Interstate 20, take Exit 68 and turn north on Monticello Road (S.C. 215). Travel about 4.3 miles north to Monticello Trail and turn left. (The road will narrow from four to two lanes about ¼ mile before the turnoff.)

The Fire Academy complex is about ¼ mile down Monticello Trail on the left.



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