



SOUTH CAROLINA STATE FIRE

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South Carolina Fire Academy

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Mid-Winter Academy: NFA State Weekend at Home

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 these 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.



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
Click here to register.			

This 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 include:

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

Executive Skills Series: Exercising Leadership Through Difficult Conversations

Course Code/Section Number 7607-26001

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
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The purpose of this course is to provide knowledge and skills for having difficult conversations to exercise leadership in addressing adaptive challenges. The goal of this course is for the participant to identify and apply skills for having difficult conversations as they relate to exercising leadership when addressing adaptive challenges.



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CRR: Youth Firesetter Intervention Specialist

Course Code/Section Number: 7020-26001

Dates	Time	Location	Registration Deadline
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The course focuses on how identification, intake, screening, disposition, and follow-up are used to mitigate youth firesetting behavior.

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 youths 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.

Note: There is a pre- course assignment students will need to bring to class.

Fire Investigation: Fire Responder

Course Code/Section Number: 7209-26001

Dates	Time	Location	Registration Deadline
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This 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.



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New Fire Chief I: Challenging Issues

Course Code/Section Number 7241-26001

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Prerequisite: Instructors who completed either the 4174-New Instructor Orientation or the 4220-Instructor Recertification Workshop in 2024, 2025, or 2026.

This is a “Train the Trainer” delivery, including the course as a student, as well as instruction on how to teach the course as an instructor.

This 2-day course and Train the Trainer 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.
- Resources and items of knowledge needed to become a first-time leader in a new position in an agency.

Questions? Contact [Mike Dunlap](#)



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