



TRAINING ANNOUNCEMENT

4 June 2018

Announcement#: 18-109F

Introduction to Fire Investigation

This is a 40 hour course being held on the following dates:

Mandatory pre-course training must be completed prior to the first date of class.
See student requirements below for details.

July 24, 25, 26, 31 August 1, 2, 7, 8, 9 from 18:30 to 22:30 hours

Description: Provides knowledge of basic fire chemistry and observational skills necessary to judge fire behavior, as well as an introduction to NFPA 921 and 1033. Students learn to determine the cause and origin of accidental and natural fires and methods of documenting the fire scene. Students also learn the concept of incendiaryism, evidence preservation, scene security and safety. The course provides a basic understanding of fire's behavior and its value in determining a fire's origin and cause.

Student Requirement: Participants must submit documentation of having completed the designated pre-course training and POSSESS copies (paper or electronic) of Jones and Bartlett's Fire Investigator text (4th edition), the current edition of NFPA 1033 (2014) and the current edition of NFPA 921 (2017)

1. Pre-course training includes successful completion of the following modules found at www.cfitrainer.net
 - a. Ethics and the Fire Investigator – 3 hours
 - b. NFPA 1033 and Your Career – 2 hours

Target audience: Attendance restricted to those members of or perspective members of fire, police, or insurance investigator units and prosecutors.

Prerequisites: Signed Fire / Arson Investigation Training Program Agency Endorsement Affidavit (Attached)

Registration: Pre-registration is mandatory. **WALK-INS ARE NOT PERMITTED.** To register please submit the signed Agency Endorsement Affidavit to Chief Luci Labriola-Cuffe at LEL2@westchestergov.com or mail to her attention to 4 Dana Road, Valhalla, NY 10595.

Venue: Westchester County DES Training Center, 4 Dana Rd. – Grasslands Campus, Valhalla, New York. All students are to park in the lot adjacent to the [Support Services Building located at 35 Walker Road.](#) (There is a stairway linking the parking lot directly to the training campus.) For questions or concerns regarding weather or course cancellation call (914) 231 – 1615.



Fire / Arson Investigation Training Program

Agency Endorsement Affidavit

This form SHALL BE COMPLETED by the sponsoring agency as part of the application process for the following Fire Investigation Programs AND attached to the standard Academy of Fire Science course application form.

Proposed Arson Course Attendance [check applicable course]

- [] Intro to Fire Investigation
[] Fire Investigation
[] Fire Scene Evidence Course

PART I (To be completed by applicant)
Name: Last, First, M.I., Suffix
Home Address: Number, Street
City/Town, State, Zip, Home Phone#
Birth Date: Month/Day/Year, Student Training ID #
PREREQUISITE VERIFICATION: [PROOF OF COMPLETION MUST ACCOMPANY THIS APPLICATION]
Fire Investigation Course: Introduction to Fire Investigation, or Fire Behavior and Arson Awareness AND Principles of Fire Investigation courses or their equivalents.
Fire Scene Evidence Course: NYS Fire Investigator Level I Certification or equivalent.
For equivalents please provide copy of course outline and hourly breakdown.
Applicants Signature: Date:

Part II [To be completed and signed by endorsing Agency official(s)]
Applicants must have both A and B endorsements with the exception of Paid Fire Departments; Police Agencies and Insurance SIU which require endorsement A only.
Agency Name: County:
Business Address: Number/Street
City/Town, State, Zip, Business Phone
Agency Supervisor: Supervisor Title:
Endorsement A: I hereby signify that the applicant is affiliated with our organization and has valid assigned duties in fire investigation as required, (i.e., Fire, Police, Prosecutor, Insurance Investigator).
Agency Supervisor Signature Date
Endorsement B: This endorsement must be completed by the County Fire Investigation Team Supervisor.
If in doubt as to who it is, please contact your County Fire Coordinator. Out-of-State resident, contact your State Fire Marshal.
County Investigation Team Supervisor[print] contact information / phone
I, the undersigned, certify that the applicant is in good standing with the organization and does perform fire/arson investigations within the jurisdiction as described.
County Investigation Team Supervisor[signature] Date