

SARATOGA COUNTY FIRE COORDINATOR

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The Officer Development – Firefighter Health & Safety

course provides current and potential fire officers with a basic knowledge of effective communications for both administrative functions and for emergency incidents. Students are provided activities to apply skills learned for oral and written communications in addition to conducting a size up based on emergency incidents. Additionally, this course provided the Company Officer with the skills needed to identify and prevent common safety hazards and to perform an initial accident investigation. This course is based upon the requirements found in Chapter 4 of NFPA 1021, *Standard for Fire Officer Professional Qualifications*. Course length: 12 hours.

Prerequisite: Firefighter I, or Basic Firefighter, or Firefighting Essentials Required

Text: **Fire and Emergency Services Company Officer 5th Edition (IFSTA)**
TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS COURSE, PERSONNEL ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE A “TRAINING AUTHORIZATION LETTER” FROM YOUR CHIEF.

Location: Saratoga County Public Safety Building
6020 County Farm Road Ballston Spa, NY 12020

Instructor: B. Myers

Time: 7:00 pm

Dates: September 29, October 4, 6, 13, 2021

Pre-register by e-mail registration information to:

etremblay@saratogacountyny.gov

Provide name, agency affiliation, and phone contact information.

You can also call: Ed Tremblay @ 884-4702 and leave the same information.

Ed Tremblay, Fire Coordinator
Deputy Commissioner, O.E.S.

- The modular format and the current offering will contain the same content. It will make no difference which version a student takes. Both options will be available to counties
- Students will not be allowed to jump from one format to another. However, we will develop a system for students to make up missed units across the two formats
- The modular format will consist of five (5) independent courses. Each course will have a unique course number and will be indicated on a student’s training record
- The longest module is approximately 15 hours long and the shortest will be 9
- Upon completion of the five modules, students will receive credit for completion of Fire Officer 1. We are working on the administrative system for keeping track of completed modules.
- This WILL NOT give them national certification. That will still be offered as a stand-alone exam
- The five modules may be scheduled in any order by the county
- The modules may be taken in any order by the student
- To gain credit for Fire Officer 1 through the modular delivery, all five modules must be completed within a two (2) year period. This will start when the student takes their first course of the series
- Students that have previously taken Fireground Strategy & Tactics for First Arriving Companies will receive credit for that module and will not have to retake it. If taken previously, the two-year completion time frame will not include the FSTFAC completion. The time frame will begin with completion of another of the modules
- The testing component will be based on smaller unit exams rather than a large end of course test
- The five modules are currently entitled: **Preliminary Schedule**
 - Leadership and Supervision- **15 hours- Sept. 8, 13, 15, 20, 22, 2021**
 - Firefighter Health and Safety- 12 hours **Sept. 29, Oct. 4, 6, 13, 2021**
 - Company Training and Community Risk Reduction- 12 hours- **October 25, 27, Nov 1, 3, 2021**
 - Emergency Response and Planning- **Nov 8, 10, 15, 2021**
 - Fireground Strategies and Tactics for First Arriving Companies **December 1, 6, 8, 13, 15, 2021**