

Rhode Island Fire Instructors Association

***National Fire Academy Weekend  
July 7 – July 9, 2023***

***Rhode  
Island***



***South  
Carolina***

The Rhode Island-South Carolina State Weekend offers firefighters the opportunity to experience the National Fire Academy's educational offerings and share in the many amenities that the National Fire Academy has to offer. Students spend two days in the classroom sharing and learning new subject materials.

On Saturday evening a short memorial service is held at the National Fallen Firefighter's Memorial to honor Rhode Island's fallen firefighters. Firefighters can network and meet new friends from the South Carolina Fire Service at the Friday evening social, the dinners or in the recreation centers. It's a full weekend experience that will leave you with a positive outlook. The National Fire Academy is everyone's fire academy. All firefighters should take advantage of it and enjoy the experience.

# Rhode Island National Fire Academy Weekend

## *Agenda*

- All meals will be provided from Friday evening through Sunday lunch.
- Lodging is provided for Friday and Saturday nights.
- **Mandatory Orientation Session:** Friday 7 p.m. in the building “J” auditorium. Immediately after orientation, a social will be held with members from the South Carolina Fire Service.
- Saturday classes are 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Sunday classes are from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Saturday evening, a special Fallen Firefighters Memorial will be held after class.
- An NFA Weekend Golf shirt will be provided.

## ***NEW*** (2023) *Application Process*

1. A completed RIFA application and Money Order, Dept. Check or P.O. Number must be received by May 15, 2023.
2. **Applications will NOT BE ACCEPTED without payment or dept. PO#** A generous donation by the RIAFC Foundation will be applied to pay a portion of the fee for R.I. applications. All out of state students will need to pay the whole fee.
3. *Payment RI - \$ 100 (\$150 out of state), must be made to:*  
**RI Fire Instructors' Association** (NOT Fire Academy)
4. Please submit completed RIFA application and payment to:  
*Rhode Island State Fire Academy  
NFA Weekend  
4 Green Lane, Exeter, RI 02822*
5. **New for 2023:** You will be notified by email from the RIFA of which class selection you received on or before May 16, 2023, **THEN** (not before please) you will submit the on-line NFA application. Failure to submit the NFA online application will cause a room not being reserved for you. A reminder will be in the email specifying the course selection reserved for you. NFA Applications must be filled out **COMPLETELY** online. Students must obtain a FEMA Student Identification Number (SID) first.

***The new application procedures are due to changes by the NFA administration. Failure to follow directions WILL cause problems with your application.***

# Course Offerings

## Rhode Island - South Carolina

### National Fire Academy Weekend

- (W0376) Incident Command System and Resource Management for the Fire Service
- (W0457) Decision Making for Initial Company Operations
- (W0520) Executive Skills Series: Exercising Leadership Within Communities
- (W0636) Best Practices in Community Risk Reduction
- (W0647) Leadership in Supervision: Perspectives in Thinking
- (W0722) Health and Safety Program Manager
- (W0762) New Fire Chief III: Contemporary Issue

#### ***Prerequisite for on-campus classes***

*All students **must complete** Incident Command System ICS-100 and ICS-200 levels (on-line training) **before arriving** for on-campus class. If you have completed them ON-LINE previously, you don't have to do it again.*



## **Two-Day Course Descriptions**

### **W0376 Incident Command System and Resource Management for the Fire Service**

This 2-day course will provide students with an understanding of the Incident Command System (ICS) and resource management for the fire service and their application in both emergency and nonemergency situations.

### **W0457 Decision-Making for Initial Company Operations**

This two-day course is designed to develop the decision-making skills needed by Company Officers (COs) to accomplish assigned tactics at structure fires. All activities and scenarios used in this course are based on structure fires. With the real possibility of being the first to arrive at an incident, the CO's initial decisions will have an impact throughout the entire incident. It is vital that COs be able to make good management decisions that have a favorable impact on the eventual outcome.

### **W0520 Executive Skills Series: Exercising Leadership Within Communities**

The objective of this 2-day course is to provide fire service authority figures with knowledge and skills, enabling them to exercise leadership when confronting adaptive challenges presented by increasingly diverse internal and external communities. The goal of the course is for participants to use the diversity of ideas, peoples, and cultures as resources in exercising leadership to address adaptive challenges in their communities.

### **W0636 Best Practices in Community Risk Reduction**

This two-day course demonstrates to students nationally recognized principles that, when used appropriately, can lead to community risk-reduction programs that can measure success in local communities. This course will give students the opportunity to explore programs from communities across the United States that have been showcased at Vision 20/20 symposiums. These programs demonstrate what nationally recognized organizations identify as examples of "best practices" in community risk reduction.

### **W0647 Leadership in Supervision: Perspectives in Thinking**

This 2-day course provides the supervisor with the conceptual foundation and framework for success in leadership roles by exploring creative, analytical, political and critical thinking perspectives. The course addresses skills needed for assessing situations from multiple perspectives, making critical decisions, fostering creativity and innovation, and using persuasion.

### **W0722 Health and Safety Program Manager**

This two-day course will provide fire, Emergency Medical Services department personnel and other related emergency responders with the aptitudes and abilities necessary to manage the duties and responsibilities of the Health and Safety Program Manager (HSPM) within their respective organizations.

### **W0762 New Fire Chief: Contemporary Issues:**

This two-day course will develop the managerial skills, leadership skills, and contemporary issues and awareness necessary for newly appointed or elected fire chiefs to effectively meet their obligations. The course will help to develop knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary for them to perform effectively now and in the future.

## Travel Arrangements

You must make your own travel arrangements for the trip. Driving time is typically 8 hours from Rhode Island. Air travel can be arranged to either Reagan National Airport or Baltimore-Washington International Airport. You will be responsible for providing your own transportation to NFA if you wish to fly.

Transportation costs are the responsibility of the student or his/her organization and will not be reimbursed by the National Fire Academy or the Rhode Island Fire Instructors Association. Be sure to arrive at the NFA by 3 p.m. on Friday to check into the dormitory and attend the orientation session.

### **NFA No-Show Policy**

It is the policy of the National Fire Academy that persons who fail to show up for class and have not canceled their enrollment will be suspended from attending NFA courses for a period of two years.



# R.I. National Fire Academy Weekend Application

Please print clearly

Name	
Address	
City, State	
Zip Code	
Your Phone	
Your Preferred E-Mail	
Department Name	
Paid/Volunteer/Call	
First Course Selection	
Second Course Selection	
Third Course Selection	
Shirt Size	

**NOTE: MAIL this application with M.O./dept. check for \$100 (out of state \$150) or dept. PO# by 5/15/23 to:**

*Rhode Island State Fire Academy - NFA Weekend  
4 Green Lane  
Exeter, RI 02822*

**Do NOT fill out online NFA application UNTIL notified of your course selection as determined by the RIFA on or before 5/16/23.**