

# A Complete Rapid Intervention Teams Training & Certification Program



***A comprehensive,  
step-by-step,  
course and  
instructional  
package for  
developing,  
training, and  
implementing a  
fire department  
RIT program.***

***FDTN's Rapid Intervention  
Training Program exceeds the  
guidelines established and  
outlined in NFPA 1407!***

**TRAINING SAVES LIVES  
FIREFIGHTERS**

**2023 Train-the-Trainer  
June 26-28, 2023**

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# About the Fireground Survival & Rapid Intervention Teams Training Program:

The Fire Department Training Network's *Fireground Survival and Rapid Intervention Teams Program* is a 3-day hands-on training course designed to prepare firefighters and departments to handle a fireground emergency involving a member(s) operating on the fireground.

The FDTN's training system consists of a complete Instructor Manual which includes detailed lesson plans for both classroom and hands-on sessions—including CD with PowerPoint presentation. In addition, the Instructor Manual includes resource lists, individual skill check sheets for all required grading stations, a master test, course evaluation forms, course rosters, suggested delivery options (multiple options exist), and more. The Manual also includes complete instructions on how to construct training props and prepare training facilities to get the most out of the course material.

## FDTN TRAINER CERTIFICATION

Upon successful completion of the FDTN *Fireground Survival and Rapid Intervention Teams Train-the-Trainer Course*, students will become Certified FDTN Trainers. *FDTN Trainers* are authorized to deliver the FDTN program to members of their department. At the conclusion of a *Trainer-delivered* course, students who pass the final exam and successfully complete the skills component will be issued a Fire Department Training Network *Fireground Survival and Rapid Intervention Teams Certificate*.



## ABOUT THE NETWORK

The Fire Department Training Network is a not-for-profit training organization dedicated to training firefighters. Through its monthly newsletter and department training package, *FIRE TRAINING* and the *FDTN Department Trainer*, the Network provides *results-oriented, reality-based, training material* for firefighters and fire departments across the country. Membership in the Network is open to all individuals and departments who share the belief that *Training Saves Lives* and are dedicated to making a safer fireground by providing realistic and effective training.

## A LOOK INSIDE THE TRAIN-THE-TRAINER COURSE

### Fireground Survival DAY ONE (MORNING)

This introduction to the program sets the tone for the course by identifying and explaining the need for a complete fireground survival program. Through case studies of past incidents, reviews of firefighter fatality reports and data, and discussions which identify the common (and repeated) causes and components that lead to firefighter fatalities on the fireground, participants will gain in-depth understanding of the need for firefighter survival, firefighter rescue, and rapid intervention team training for all firefighters in every fire department. Past incidents include:

- Indianapolis, Indiana (2 Firefighters)
- Worcester, Massachusetts (6 Firefighters)
- Phoenix, Arizona (1 Firefighter)
- Houston, Texas (2 Firefighters)
- Fire Department of New York (3 Firefighters)
- Kansas City, Missouri (1 Firefighter)
- Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania (3 Firefighters)
- And more...

### Firefighter Survival DAY ONE (MORNING & AFTERNOON)

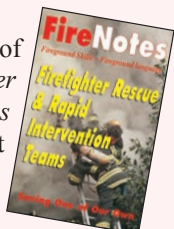
This portion of the program teaches students the skills they need to manage their own fireground emergency. Students learn and practice the individual survival skills that will keep them alive, topics include:

- Managing YOUR Mayday
- SCBA Emergencies
- Disorientation Emergencies,
- Emergency Escape Techniques

## THE STUDENT PACKAGE

Successful *Trainers* can return to their department and teach the FDTN *Fireground Survival and Rapid Intervention Teams Program*. The program can be delivered as a complete 3-day program or it can be broken down into modules — to facilitate department scheduling.

Each *Student Package* includes copies of FDTN's *Firefighter Survival* and *Firefighter Rescue and Rapid Intervention Teams FireNotes*. In addition, a course roster, student test, course evaluation, and Fire Department Training Network Certificate of Training are included in each Student Package.



*Student Packages are purchased separately.*

# Firefighter Rescue

## DAY TWO

This portion of the program teaches students the skills and teamwork needed to perform both simple and advanced firefighter rescues. Firefighter rescue is physically demanding and exhausting work -- students find out, first-hand, what it takes to overcome the many fireground obstacles that exist to successfully perform these rescues. Topics include:

- Searching for a firefighter
- Assessing and packaging a downed firefighter (includes emergency air supply)
- Drags, carries, and navigating stairs
- Firefighter disentanglement
- Rescue through breached openings
- Rescue from collapse
- Window rescues
- Rescues from below
- And more...

# Rapid Intervention Team Development

## DAY THREE (MORNING)

This portion of the program assists departments in preparing for fireground emergencies by understanding the need for, development of, staffing and training of rapid intervention teams. Topics include:

- Standards & regulations regarding rapid intervention teams
- RIT staffing
- RIT tools
- RIT training
- The reality of RIT Ops on the fireground

# Rapid Intervention Team Operations

## DAY THREE (MORNING & AFTERNOON)

Building on the Firefighter Rescue module, RIT Ops defines the rapid intervention team and its duties both before and during an actual firefighter emergency on the fireground. Students cover all aspects of the RIT during this intense hands-on module, including:

- RIT staffing
- Member assignments and responsibilities
- The role of the RIT Officer
- RIT tools
- Proactive fireground tasks
- Responding to a fireground Mayday
- Locating and rescuing a downed firefighter
- Command's role in RIT Ops
- Ongoing RIT training

# Course Set-up, Safety, Logistics, Equipment, Props, & Facilities

## DAY FOUR (MORNING)

Participants who successfully complete the requirements of the train-the-trainer course will receive FDTN's complete Fireground Survival and Rapid Intervention Team Training Program. The program includes everything necessary to plan for, and deliver, the content of the program.

Delivering a course of this magnitude also requires a lot of behind-the-scenes planning and preparation. While the package identifies all that is needed, it is up to the training staff to actually pull it together. This portion of the program discusses the set-up, logistics, safety issues, and equipment needed to successfully conduct the course.

There is also an in-depth discussion and explanation of the individual training props and overall training facility needs that are required to conduct the course.

# Student Teaching & Evaluations

## DAY FOUR (MORNING & AFTERNOON)

Successful completion of the course requires students to teach the various components. Following the morning lecture, the remainder of day four is spent setting up and teaching both Firefighter Survival and Firefighter Rescue skills. Students are evaluated during these sessions.

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**REGISTRATION FEE**

**\$2295<sup>00</sup> (\$1895<sup>00</sup> FDTN MEMBERS)**

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## Student Teaching (cont'd) DAY FOUR (AFTERNOON)

Following the hands-on training station sessions, students will present their classroom lecture material (assigned on day one). The presentations will be graded and are required for successful completion of the program. The lecture materials (lesson plans, CD, etc.) are included in the Instructor Manual—which each student receives at the start of the class.

## Final Test, Evaluation, and Graduation DAY FOUR (AFTERNOON)

Once the student teaching assignments have been completed and reviewed all participants must successfully pass the written test. The test evaluates the students knowledge of both the course material and the delivery methods and techniques that were presented during the week.

### FDTN Course Registration Form

COURSE TITLE: **Fireground Survival & Rapid Intervention Teams Train-the-Trainer**  
COURSE DATE(S):  **June 26-28, 2023**  
HOST/LOCATION: **FDTN's National Fireground Training Academy - Indianapolis, Indiana**

STUDENT INFORMATION:

Course Prerequisites: Sponsorship letter from member department, NFPA Instructor I certification or equivalent, Certificate of completion from a recognized Fireground Safety & Survival course. *Call FDTN with any questions.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Rank: \_\_\_\_\_  
Department: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

PAYMENT INFORMATION: (\$2295.00/\$1895.00 FDTN MEMBERS)

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \_\_\_\_\_

Check enclosed     Department Purchase Order — Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Credit Card (  MasterCard    VISA    AMEX )  
Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_ CCV: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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FDTN's Course Cancellation Policy: Cancellations must be made in writing and sent to FDTN, P.O. Box 1852, Indianapolis, IN 46206 / info@fdtraining.com). All cancellations for registrations paid using a credit card will be charged a 10% processing fee. Cancellations received in excess of 45 days prior to start of event will be issued a 100% refund; Cancellation received from 31 and 45 days prior to start of event will be refunded 50% of the registration fee; Cancellations received within 30 days of event start date are non-refundable. Name changes are permitted with no charge up to the start of the event.



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