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NETWORK
Live Fire Company Officer Training! Learning the job comes from doing the job–the only course around that provides a realistic fireground setting to learn and perform the job of Company Officer.
COURSE MODULES INCLUDE:
From the back step to the front seat
From the firehouse to the fireground
Using common sense
Training for results
Leading the Engine Company
Leading the Truck Company
TRAINING SAVES LIVES
FIREFIGHTERS
May 24-27, 2027
Indianapolis, Indiana
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About FDTN's Fireground Company Officer Training Program:



The Fire Department Training Network's Fireground Company Officer course is a 4-day hands-on training course designed to prepare company officers, and firefighters who aspire to become a company officer, to manage and lead companies on the fireground. We're all responsible for performance on the fireground but the company officer is ultimately the one that must prepare and develop the crew to get the job done when it counts.

There's plenty of courses out there that tell you what a Company Officer is supposed to do but there are very few that actually show you—and allow you to practice and refine the skills it takes. There's even fewer that make you perform the role of company officer during actual fireground operations.

This course will review and highlight the key components that impact the company officer's ability to successfully develop crews and lead them in the firehouse and on the fireground. The course includes both classroom and hands-on training. That's right, live fireground scenarios designed to put each student in the actual position of Fireground Company Officer—Learning by doing!

ABOUT THE NETWORK

The Fire Department Training Network is a not-for-profit training organization dedicated to training firefighters. Through it's monthly newsletter and department training package, *FIRE TRAINING* and the *FIRE TRAINING* INTERACTIVE 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 FDTN's COMPANY OFFICER COURSE

From the Back Step to the Front Seat

Moving from the back step to the front seat involves much more than repositioning yourself on the rig. It involves being able to co-exist and work with friends and enemies in a way that focuses on the job at hand. While many manuals exist to help firefighters become more proficient at dealing with fires, few exist that truly deal with the skills required to supervise, or lead, a group of one's peers. In fact, this peer relationship usually adds to the development time of a new company officer. As a company officer, peers can be your greatest strength, or your greatest weakness, depending on the relationship you have with them.

From the Firehouse to the Fireground

The firehouse prepares you for the fireground. What happens during the down time provides direct insight into what will happen during responses. It's tough for a lot of people to realize that you won't be able to turn on a switch and get solid fireground performance. It's something that must be developed well before you show up on the fireground.

Believe it or not, the foundation of a solid company officer is built on the back step. Knowing the skills that it takes to get the job done on the street is critical to your success as a company officer. Solid engine and truck company skills are a must for any company officer. Sure, you may be on an engine or a truck but you'd better know what each company should—and how each member should do it!

A fireground approach to developing company officers. This course concentrates on the street-level officers duties. Learning by doing!

REGISTRATION FEE

$2,695.00 ($2,295.00 FDTN MEMBERS)

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Fireground Size-Up

Fireground size-up is a critical company officer skill. The company officer must be able to quickly size-up the initial fireground and then continue the size-up from his company perspective (engine or truck). There's also times that the initial company officer must maintain Command, while ensuring his company continues to operate!

Size-up is an ongoing fireground skill and being able to successfully perform this skill—and react to changing conditions—ultimately determines the success or failure of each operating company.

The Engine Company Officer

The engine company officer must have a solid working knowledge of engine company operations. More importantly, the engine company officer must be able to recognize the progress of the engine company as a whole—including each member of the company! It's not just recognizing that the line is being stretched, it's also knowing there's a water supply in place, the line is taking the most direct route to the fire, and everyone knows what everyone else is doing (and supposed to do). Basically, it's knowing what the outcome of the crews actions will be before the outcome becomes apparent.

- The engine company officer & safety
- Realistic engine company performance
- High-risk engine company operations
- You have to know their job to do YOUR job

The Truck Company Officer

The truck company officer must have a solid working knowledge of truck company operations. More importantly, the truck company officer must be able to recognize the progress of all other companies operating on the fireground—as it relates to the truck company! It's not just recognizing that there's forcible entry, searching, and ventilation going on, it's realizing how these operations are affecting the other operations on the fireground and the overall safety of all operating crews.

- The truck company officer & safety
- Realistic truck company performance
- High-risk truck company operations
- You have to know their job to do YOUR job

FIREGROUND OPERATIONS... STRATEGY & TACTICS

After looking at fireground strategy and tactics from an overall perspective, students will review and practice the duties of both engine company officer and truck company officer during actual fires involving various building types.

Residence Fires

This is the bread-and-butter operation of the Fireground Company Officer, the one common to every fire department, and the one where most of our problems develop! We'll deal with room-and-content fires, basement fires, and defensive operations.

Multi-Occupancy Fires

More companies, more people, more chaos, and less frequency make multi-occupancy fires a big problem for the company officer. Take everything you know and practice on the most common fire — the residence — and use it as your foundation when dealing with company operations at multi-occupancy fires.

Commercial Building Fires

The company officer's role at commercial building fires is enormous! These are the fires we don't fight often but that challenge us the most. Delayed entry, open-span construction, longer hose stretches, deeper penetration into the building, higher fuel loads…the list goes on. The company officer's ability to maintain a solid Fireground View while operating at these fires will determine overall success or failure.

FDTN'S FIREGROUND COMPANY OFFICER

This is a fireground-based company officer course designed around Common Sense and Solid Fireground Skills! The course is for company officers and firefighters on their way to becoming a company officer.

FDTN's Fireground Company Officer was developed to build a solid and functional fireground officer -- both at the firehouse and on the fireground. Skills will focus on communication, team building, problem solving (through prevention), training, fireground officer skills and performance, the engine company officer, the truck company officer, the station officer, and Basic Common Sense.

FDTN's Fireground Company Officer course is not a textbook-type, sit-on-your-butt, course! This course builds and improves company officer skills through hard work and performance. It takes a lot more than being a good firefighter to be a good company officer. Do you have what it takes?

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TEAM BUILDING & LEADERSHIP CHALLENGES

Throughout the week students will participate in a variety of team building, communication, and leadership challenges. Understanding the importance of the team concept is critical to the success of every company officer.

The Fireground Company Officer

Leadership is an attitude that is developed not just a position that is filled on the fireground. The successful company officer must be solid in both the tactics and the strategy of the fireground. The only true way to learn the job is to do it! This course is designed with that in mind!

FDTN Course Registration Form

COURSE TITLE: **Fireground Company Officer**

COURSE DATE(S): ❒ **May 24-27, 2027**

HOST/LOCATION: **FDTN's National Fireground Training Academy – Indianapolis, Indiana**

STUDENT INFORMATION:

Name:_____ Rank:_____

Department: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip:_____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email:_____

PAYMENT INFORMATION: ($2,695.00/$2,295.00 FDTN MEMBERS) TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: _____

❒ Check enclosed ❒ Department Purchase Order — Number:_____

❒ Credit Card (❒ MasterCard ❒ VISA ❒ AMEX)

Card Number: _____ Exp. Date: _____ CCV: _____

Signature:_____ (3 digit security code)

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