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## ***Administrative Information***

Bucks County Community College operates two full-time public safety training campuses within the County of Bucks. Both facilities are supported through a partnership with the County of Bucks to provide Emergency Services Personnel with safe and maintained facilities for training, from entry to advanced levels across all areas of Fire Suppression, Hazardous Materials, and Rescue. Centrally located in the County is the Bucks County Public Safety Training Center (BCPSTC), also known as the Doylestown Training Facility, located at 1760 South Easton Road, Doylestown PA 18901. In the lower end of the County is the Lower Bucks Public Safety Training Center (LBPSTC), also known as the Bristol Training Facility, located at 2912 River Road, Croydon PA 19021.

### **Mission Statement**

To provide our customers with an opportunity to receive a quality education in the fields of public safety operation and management, public safety professional certification, emergency management and industrial safety that will enhance their ability to deliver life saving services, in a manner consistent with specific work practices and while maintaining their safety, as well as the safety of their co-workers and the public they serve.

### **Accreditation**

The Bucks County Community College is accredited by the [National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications](#) (ProBoard). This means that the levels of accredited professional certification offered by the Bucks County Community College meet or exceed [Occupational Safety and Health Administration \(OSHA\)](#) and [National Fire Protection Association \(NFPA\)](#) Standards, along with all requirements set forth by ProBoard. The process to become accredited is voluntary and only the most capable agencies apply for consideration. When an emergency services training agency applies for the accreditation their policies are studied, procedures and processes are tested to ensure their certification testing process is evaluated and held to the standards of the accrediting body and compliance with the current NFPA standards. The Bucks County Community College is also an accredited through the [Middle States Commission on Higher Education](#), which brings additional value knowing your training and certification needs are coming from an accredited higher educational institution.

### **Training Philosophy**

Courses contain an appropriate amount of theoretical and practical content. Many of the courses build on the knowledge of previous courses and create “tracks” that students can follow to achieve their potential.

### **Advisory Committees**

In addition to National Fire Protection Association comments and standards revisions, the Bucks County Community College Department of Public Safety Training and Certification relies on FEEDBACK from students, emergency service professionals, Bucks County Emergency Services and the Bucks County Fire Chief’s and Firefighters Association to ensure courses meet the training needs of these groups.

### **Partnerships**

A unique partnership between the County of Bucks and the Bucks County Community College has created the Public Safety Training Center. In addition to this very valuable partnership, the Public Safety Training Center works closely with the Pennsylvania State Fire Academy to ensure consistency in course content and delivery.

The Bucks County Fire Service Advisory Board, appointed by the Bucks County Commissioners, Fire School Committee provides open lines of communication to meet the Bucks County Fire Service needed

### **Staff**

From the instructors on the frontlines to our administrative and support personnel, every staff member at the Bucks County Community College, Department of Public Safety Training and Certification is dedicated to one goal: working together to deliver top quality training that meets the needs of our customers.

Instructional staff members are carefully selected for a combination of technical skills, practical backgrounds, and teaching abilities. All are certified to the NFPA 1041 standard of Fire & Emergency Services Instructor, level 2, with most holding additional professional certifications.

## **Fairness and Equal Opportunity in Education**

### **Equal Employment Opportunity Statement**

Bucks County Community College does not discriminate against any employee, applicant for employment, student or applicant for admission because of race, color, sex, religion, ancestry, national origin, age, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, an individual's actual or perceived disability, genetic information or veteran status.

Accordingly, all recruiting, hiring, and promoting for all job classifications will be made without regard to race, color, sex, religion, ancestry, national origin, age, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, an individual's actual or perceived disability, genetic information or veteran status.

All recruiting and admissions of students will be made without regard to race, color, sex, religion, ancestry, national origin, age, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, an individual's actual or perceived disability, genetic information or veteran status.

*Referenced from Bucks County Community College Catalog, Equal Employment Opportunity Statement,  
<https://www.bucks.edu/catalog/info/records/eoo-statement/>*

### **Equal Opportunity in Education**

Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in any educational program or activity sponsored by the College. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicap in any educational program or activity sponsored by the College, and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 prohibits discrimination on the basis of race in any educational program or activity sponsored by the College.

It should be further noted that in addition to the above laws and regulations, the College is committed to the premise that all students and applicants for admission are entitled to an equal opportunity to acquire training, education, and skills at Bucks County Community College regardless of their sex, race, national origin, religion, color, sexual orientation, age, disability, ancestry, veteran status, or any other legally protected category.

The College will not tolerate any behavior by staff or students which constitutes sexual harassment of a student. All inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policy shall be directed to the Executive Director, Human Resources & Equity Compliance Officer, Tyler Hall Room 130, Bucks County Community College, 275 Swamp Road, Newtown, PA 18940, 215-968-8091 (phone), 215-504-8506 (fax).

*Referenced from Bucks County Community College Catalog, Equal Opportunity in Education,  
<https://www.bucks.edu/catalog/info/records/eoo/>*

## **Harassment and Sexual Assault Policy**

### **Gender Based Misconduct**

This policy applies to all students, employees, faculty members, administrators, and trustees of the college, as well as contractors and vendors. Each student, employee, faculty member, administrator, contractor and vendor of the college is personally responsible for ensuring that he/she does not engage in conduct that violates this Policy. Each student, employee, faculty member, administrator, contractor and vendor is responsible for cooperating in any investigation of alleged Gender Based Prohibited Conduct if requested to do so by the person(s) conducting the investigation.

This policy applies to any Gender Based Prohibited Conduct committed (1) on college property; (2) in connection with any college activity or program on or off college property; or (3) off college property when the conduct (a) is in connection with a college or college-recognized program or activity, or (b) may have the effect of creating a hostile environment for a member of the college community, which shall include students, employees, faculty members, and administrators of the College, visitors, and applicants for admission to or employment with the college. Further, if any student or employee engages in any conduct on or off campus that constitutes Improper Gender Based Prohibited Conduct, said student or employee shall be subject to the fullest extent of disciplinary consequences that the college has the lawful power or authority to impose.

### **General Policy Statement**

1. It is the Policy of the Bucks County Community College ("the College") to comply with applicable federal and state law prohibiting sex or gender discrimination, unlawful retaliation, and sexual harassment.
2. It is the Policy of the College to prohibit conduct that constitutes sexually related crimes, including but not limited to rape, indecent aggravated assault, indecent assault, and indecent exposure.
3. It is the policy of the College to provide:



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- a. educational and employment environments for its students, faculty, and staff that are free from unlawful sex and gender discrimination, unlawful sexual harassment and unlawful retaliation;
- b. an educational and employment environment in which no member of the College community is, on the basis of sex or gender, excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or subjected to unlawful discrimination, unlawful harassment or unlawful retaliation in any College program or activity.
4. The College does not and shall not discriminate against any employee, applicant for employment, student or applicant for admission because of sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression. Accordingly, all recruiting, hiring, and promoting for all job classifications and all recruiting and admissions of students will be made without regard to sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression.
5. The College expressly prohibits Gender Based Prohibited Conduct as defined in this Policy. Gender Based Prohibited Conduct as defined in this Policy will not be tolerated. Individuals—including students, faculty, staff, contractors and vendors, who engage in such Gender Based Prohibited Conduct will be subject to disciplinary action, termination of contracts, or exclusion from the campus or College activities.
6. The College shall take immediate and appropriate action once it knows of any act of Gender Based Prohibited Conduct in any of its educational programs and activities.
7. The College will act on any complaint of Gender Based Prohibited Conduct in order to investigate and to resolve such complaints promptly and effectively.
8. It is the policy of the College to
  - a. provide educational, preventative and training programs regarding this policy and Gender Based Prohibited Conduct;
  - b. to encourage reporting of violations or alleged violations of this Policy;
  - c. to prevent incidents of Gender Based Prohibited Conduct from denying or limiting an individual's ability to participate in or benefit from the College's programs;
  - d. to make available timely services for those who have been affected by Gender Based Prohibited Conduct; and
  - e. to provide prompt and effective methods of investigation and resolution to stop Gender Based Prohibited Conduct, remedy any harm, and prevent its recurrence.
9. No one may retaliate against anyone who has engaged in protected activity as defined in this Policy or applicable law.
10. Nothing in this Policy shall be construed to abridge academic freedom and inquiry, principles of free speech, or the College's educational mission. This Policy does not preclude application or enforcement of other College policies.
11. If two or more interpretations can be given to any provision of this Policy, the College intends that only such an interpretation that is lawful is intended.

**SEX OR GENDER DISCRIMINATION**

Unlawful sex or gender discrimination shall be defined for purposes of this Policy in the same manner as it is defined in applicable law. By way of example, sex or gender discrimination, including sexual harassment, is conduct directed at a specific individual or a group of identifiable individuals that subjects the individual or group to treatment that adversely affects the individual or group's employment or education on account of sex. Sex discrimination can be manifested by unequal access to educational programs and activities on the basis of sex, unequal treatment on the basis of sex in the course of conducting those programs and activities, or, the existence of a program or activity that has a disparate impact on participation, improperly based on the sex of the participants.

**SEXUAL HARASSMENT**

Sexual harassment shall be defined for purposes of this Policy in the same manner as it is defined in applicable law. By way of example, sexual harassment is unwelcome conduct of a sexual nature, including unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal, nonverbal, graphic, or physical conduct of a sexual nature, when: (1) submission to or rejection of such conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a condition of an individual's employment or academic standing or is used as the basis for employment decisions or for academic evaluation, grades, or advancement (quid pro quo); or (2) such conduct is sufficiently severe, persistent, or pervasive that it interferes with or limits a person's ability to participate in or benefit from the College's education or work programs or activities (hostile environment).

Quid pro quo sexual harassment can occur whether a person resists and suffers the threatened harm, or the person submits and avoids the threatened harm. Both situations could constitute discrimination on the basis of sex.

A hostile environment can be created by persistent and/or pervasive conduct or by a single severe episode. The more severe the conduct, the less need there is to show a repetitive series of incidents to prove a hostile environment. Sexual violence, including rape, sexual assault, and domestic and dating violence, is a form of sexual harassment. In addition, the following conduct violate this Policy:

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- Observing, photographing, videotaping, or making other visual or auditory records of sexual activity or nudity, where there is a reasonable expectation of privacy, without the knowledge and consent of all parties
- Sharing visual or auditory records of sexual activity or nudity without the knowledge and consent of all recorded parties and recipient(s)
- Sexual advances, whether or not they involve physical touching
- Commenting about or inappropriately touching an individual's body
- Requests for sexual favors in exchange for actual or promised job benefits, such as favorable reviews, salary increases, promotions, increased benefits, or continued employment
- Lewd or sexually suggestive comments, jokes, innuendoes, or gestures
- Stalking

Other verbal, nonverbal, graphic, or physical conduct may create a hostile environment if the conduct is sufficiently persistent, pervasive, or severe so as to deny a person equal access to the College's programs or activities. Whether the conduct creates a hostile environment may depend on a variety of factors, including: the degree to which the conduct affected one or more person's education or employment; the type, frequency, and duration of the conduct; the relationship between the parties; the number of people involved; and the context in which the conduct occurred.

### **SEXUAL VIOLENCE**

Sexual violence is a physical sexual act conducted either against a person's will or where a person is incapable of giving consent, including but not limited to, rape, sexual assault, sexual battery, and sexual coercion.

### **SEXUAL MISCONDUCT**

Sexual Misconduct is a broad term encompassing any sexual behavior that violates any criminal statute, College policies and/or the Student Code of Conduct and includes any conduct that is sexually exploitive or degrading, retaliatory and/or abusive with the intent or result of compromising the well-being of another person, including domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking.

### **SEXUAL EXPLOITATION**

Sexual exploitation is an act or omission to act that involves taking non-consensual, unjust, humiliating, or abusive sexual advantage of another, either for his or her own advantage or to benefit or advantage anyone other than the Complainant. Examples of sexual exploitation include but are not limited to the following:

- Creating a picture(s), movie(s), webcam, tape recording(s), graphic written narrative(s), or other means of memorializing sexual behavior or a state of undress of another person without the other's knowledge and consent;
- Sharing items described in the paragraph above beyond the boundaries of consent where consent was given. For example, showing a picture to friends where consent to view it was given for oneself only;
- Observing or facilitating observation by others of sexual behavior or a state of undress of another person without the knowledge and consent of that person;
- "Peeping Tom" or voyeuristic behaviors;
- Engaging in sexual behavior with knowledge of an illness or disease (HIV or STD) that could be transmitted by the behavior without full and appropriate disclosure to the partner(s) of all health and safety concerns;
- Engaging in or attempting to engage others in "escort services" or "dating services" which include or encourage in any way sexual behavior in exchange for money;
- Intentionally, knowingly, or surreptitiously providing drugs or alcohol to a person for the purpose of sexual exploitation; or
- Exposing another person to pornographic material without the person's advance knowledge or consent.

### **STALKING**

Stalking is a pattern of repeated and unwanted attention, harassment, contact, or any other course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to fear for his or her safety, or the safety of others, or suffer substantial emotional distress. This includes cyber-stalking, a particular form of stalking in which electronic media such as the internet, social networks, blogs, cell phones, texts, or other similar devices or forms of contact are used to pursue, harass, or make unwelcome contact with another person.

### **UNWELCOME CONDUCT**

Sexually related conduct is unwelcome if a person (1) did not request or invite it and (2) regarded the unrequested or uninvited conduct as undesirable or offensive. That a person welcomes some sexual contact does not necessarily

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mean that person welcomes other sexual contact. Similarly, that a person willingly participates in conduct on one occasion does not necessarily mean that the same conduct is welcome on a subsequent occasion.

Whether conduct is unwelcome is determined based on the totality of the circumstances, including various objective and subjective factors. The following types of information may be helpful in making that determination: statements by any witnesses to the alleged incident; information about the relative credibility of the parties and witnesses; the detail and consistency of each person's account; the absence of corroborating information where it should logically exist; information that the Respondent has been found to have harassed others; information that the Complainant has been found to have made false allegations against others; information about the Complainant's reaction or behavior after the alleged incident; and information about any actions the parties took immediately following the incident, including reporting the matter to others.

In addition, when a person is so impaired or incapacitated as to be incapable of requesting or inviting the conduct, conduct of a sexual nature is deemed unwelcome, provided that the Respondent knew or reasonably should have known of the person's impairment or incapacity. The person may be impaired or incapacitated as a result of drugs or alcohol or for some other reason, such as sleep or unconsciousness. A Respondent's impairment at the time of the incident as a result of drugs or alcohol does not, however, diminish the Respondent's responsibility for sexual or gender-based harassment under this Policy.

### **GENDER-BASED HARASSMENT**

Gender-based harassment is verbal, nonverbal, graphic, or physical aggression, intimidation, or hostile conduct based on sex, sex-stereotyping, sexual orientation or gender identity, but not involving conduct of a sexual nature, when such conduct is sufficiently severe, persistent, or pervasive that it interferes with or limits a person's ability to participate in or benefit from the College's education or work programs or activities. For example, persistent disparagement of a person based on a perceived lack of stereotypical masculinity or femininity or exclusion from an activity based on sexual orientation or gender identity also may violate this Policy.

### **PROTECTED ACTIVITY**

The following acts are protected under this Policy: (1) those acts that are protected under any applicable law; (2) making a complaint under this Policy or under law to any governmental entity or court alleging a violation of this Policy or applicable law; or (3) participating in an investigation, hearing or inquiry under applicable law or this Policy.

### **UNLAWFUL RETALIATION**

Unlawful retaliation is defined as attempts or acts to seek retribution including, but not limited to, any form of intimidation, reprisal, harassment, or intent to prevent participation in College proceedings under this Policy. Unlawful retaliation may include continued abuse or violence, other harassment, and slander and libel. Retaliation may be committed by any individual or group of individuals, not just a Respondent or Complainant, and may be committed against the Complainant, Respondent, or any individual or group of individuals involved in the investigation and/or resolution of an allegation of sexual assault, sexual harassment, or other sexual misconduct.

### **INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE**

Intimate partner violence is also sometimes known as dating violence, domestic violence, or relationship violence. The College recognizes that sexual assault, sexual exploitation, sexual harassment, stalking, and retaliation may all be forms of intimate partner violence when committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the Complainant. In general, intimate partner violence includes physically, sexually, and/or psychologically abusive behavior that arises in the form of a direct violent act, or indirectly as acts that expressly or implicitly threaten violence. Intimate partner violence also occurs when one partner attempts to maintain power and control over the other through one or more forms of abuse, including sexual, physical, verbal, or emotional abuse.

### **CONSENT**

Consent is an explicitly communicated, reversible mutual agreement in which all parties are capable of making a decision. Consent is informed, voluntary, and actively given. Consent exists when all parties exchange mutually understandable affirmative words or behavior indicating their agreement to participate voluntarily in sexual activity. The following is intended to further clarify the meaning of consent:

- Each participant in a sexual encounter must obtain consent for all sexual activities. Consent to one form of sexual activity does not constitute consent to engage in all forms of sexual activity.
- Consent consists of an outward demonstration indicating that an individual has freely chosen to engage in sexual activity. Relying on non-verbal communication can lead to misunderstandings. Consent may not be inferred from silence, passivity, lack of resistance or lack of an active response alone. A person who does not physically resist or verbally refuse sexual activity is not necessarily giving consent.

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- If at any time it is reasonably apparent that either party is hesitant, confused, or unsure, both parties should stop and obtain mutual verbal consent before continuing such activity.
- Consent may be withdrawn by either party at any time. Withdrawal of consent must also be outwardly demonstrated by words or actions that clearly indicate a desire to end sexual activity. Once withdrawal of consent has been expressed, sexual activity must cease.
- An individual who is physically incapacitated from alcohol or other drug consumption (voluntarily or involuntarily), or is unconscious, unaware, or otherwise physically impaired is considered unable to give consent. For example, one who is asleep or passed out cannot give consent.

Individuals with a previous or current intimate relationship do not automatically give either initial or continued consent to sexual activity. Even in the context of a relationship, there must be mutually understandable communication that clearly indicates a willingness to engage in sexual activity.

Consent is not effective if it results from the use or threat of physical force, intimidation, or coercion, or any other factor that would compromise an individual's ability to exercise his or her own free will to choose whether or not to have sexual contact. In addition, a person is incapable of giving consent if he/she is incapacitated.

### **COERCION**

Coercion includes the use of pressure and/or oppressive behavior, including express or implied threats of harm or severe and/or pervasive emotional intimidation, which (a) places an individual in fear of immediate or future harm or physical injury or (b) causes a person to engage in unwelcome sexual activity. A person's words or conduct amount to coercion if they wrongfully impair the other's freedom of will and ability to choose whether or not to engage in sexual activity. Coercion also includes administering a drug, intoxicant, or similar substance that impairs the person's ability to give consent.

### **INCAPACITATION**

Incapacitation is the inability, temporarily or permanently, to give consent, because the individual is mentally and/or physically impaired due to alcohol or other drug consumption, either voluntarily or involuntarily, or the individual is unconscious, asleep, or otherwise unaware that the sexual activity is occurring. In addition, an individual is incapacitated if he or she demonstrates that they are unaware of where they are, how they got there, or why or how they became engaged in a sexual interaction. Where alcohol is involved, incapacitation is a state beyond drunkenness or intoxication. Some indicators of incapacitation may include, but are not limited to, lack of control over physical movements, being unaware of circumstances or surroundings, or being unable to communicate for any reason.

### **GENDER BASED PROHIBITED CONDUCT**

Gender Based Prohibited Conduct means any one or more of the following types of conduct: (1) Unlawful Sex or Gender Discrimination; (2) unlawful sexual harassment; (3) sexual related crimes; (4) sexual misconduct as defined in this Policy; (5) sexual exploitation as defined in this Policy; (6) stalking as defined in this Policy; (7) unwelcome conduct as defined in this Policy; (8) gender based harassment as defined in this policy; (9) intimate partner violence as defined in this Policy; (10) coercion as defined in this policy; and (11) unlawful retaliation as defined in this policy.

*Referenced from Bucks County Community College Catalog; <http://www.bucks.edu/catalog/info/regulations>*

### **Resolution of Student Concerns**

As a comprehensive educational community, Bucks promotes an active and challenging learning environment. Varying viewpoints and differences of opinion in such an environment are natural and expected. Students enjoy a host of rights and responsibilities in addressing issues and concerns.

Student concerns are generally best resolved at the level at which the concern developed. Communication is the key to resolution. Students are encouraged to indicate concerns with specific matters to the office/ area or individual most directly involved or responsible. A variety of mechanisms exist to assist students in processing such concerns. Faculty members, administrators, and College staff are receptive to discussion and welcome interaction with students. The Provost serves as an ombudsman for students and can assist in directing students to the most appropriate area or person to resolve concerns. Counseling services, academic deans, and area administrators can also provide assistance.

Students are encouraged to address concerns in an appropriate and timely manner and to utilize the resources noted above to assist in this process. If the student is unable to resolve the concern in an informal manner, then the student is encouraged to follow the procedures outlined in the Student Complaint Policy.

*Referenced from Bucks County Community College Catalog; <https://www.bucks.edu/catalog/info/records/concerns>*

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**Drugs and Alcohol Policy**

The unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of alcohol, narcotics, or illicit drugs is prohibited on the campus of Bucks County Community College. Any student or employee of the College discovered to be violating these rules is subject to immediate suspension or dismissal. Such action will be taken independently of any criminal action that may arise from a violation of civil law governing these areas.

Referenced from Bucks County Community College Catalog: <http://www.bucks.edu/catalog/info/regulations>

**Accessibility**

Bucks County Community College Accessibility Office is a great resource offered to student's looking for assistance when securing access to equal education for those with documented disabilities. As a student of the Department of Public Safety Training & Certification you will work with the accessibility office when documenting disabilities and obtaining classroom and testing accommodations. As the student, regardless of age, you must make the contact with the Accessibility Office at 215-968-8182 or [accessibility@bucks.edu](mailto:accessibility@bucks.edu) to request accommodations.

Please note this must be the student making contact and not parents or department officers. Information to provide during initial contact:

- Student First and Last Name
- Student ID Number (if known-Id number can also be found at the bottom left hand corner of any certificate already received from Bucks County Community College Department of Public Safety)
- Bucks County Community College Email address (if you have one)
- Identify that you are taking courses for Public Safety Training & Certification
- Student Cell Phone number (Home phone if student does not have a cell phone – cannot be a parent's cell phone number)

For more information regarding the Accessibility Office please visit their website at <https://www.bucks.edu/resources/accessibility/>. Please Note: Students are required to contact the Accessibility Office themselves. Parents and Department Officers will not be permitted to contact the Accessibility Office on the student's behalf.

**Smoking**

Bucks County Community College is a smoke-free environment. Smoking is prohibited in all campus buildings and on the grounds except for designated smoking areas.

Smoking and the use of tobacco products or e-cigarettes should be done during breaks and outside of the class time, off property. Many organizations do not allow smoking on their property or inside their facilities but in designated areas. Those rules will apply to classes that are off-site.

## ***General Information***

### **Emergency Closure / Inclement Weather**

When inclement weather or other emergency conditions exist that could put the health and safety of a student and/or instructor at risk, a Director may decide to close BCPSTC and/or LBPSTC along with offsite classes. All reasonable efforts will be made to notify candidates as soon as possible. All attempts will be made to reschedule courses that may be cancelled due to closure.

Bucks County Community College uses the “e2campus” notification system that can send text and/or emails to anyone who subscribes to this free service. Since this is a College-Wide system, all Public Safety Training Students should register to the “Fire School” group. Registration can be done online at <http://www.e2campus.com/my/bucks/signup.htm>. It is encouraged that all students and their supervisors register for this free notification to ensure the information is received timely to all those who may be affected.

Be aware that there are times that Bucks County Community College may close College Campuses (Newtown, Upper Bucks, Lower Bucks) but the BCPSTC and/or LBPSTC may remain open, as well as, times when the BCPSTC and/or LBPSTC may close and the College Campuses may remain open.

All efforts will be made to have the County of Bucks Emergency Dispatch Center announce any closures and update Social Media Accounts.

### **Facial Hair**

In accordance with United States Law, 29 CFR 1910.134, the mandate from the Office of the Pennsylvania State Fire Commissioner, and NFPA 1403, 1404, & 1500, any course requiring the use of a SCBA or other respiratory protection (APR, PAPR, etc.) will require the participants to be clean-shaven. This means there will be no facial hair anywhere along the jaw line, the chin, or under the lower lip. A well-trimmed mustache is permitted. Any student out of compliance with the policy will be given the option of shaving prior to the start of class or not attending the program.

### **Dress Code / Appearance**

Bucks County Community College Department of Public Safety Training and Certification prides itself on professionalism. Students shall present a clean, neat, and professional appearance at all times. Hair will be well kept and groomed as to not interfere with PPE and SCBA. Jewelry should be limited to avoid loss, damage, and/or injury. Students should wear clothing that is appropriate for the course work they are attending. The following three (3) levels of dress have been established, along with recommended and unacceptable dress to provide direction to students.

- **Classroom Setting:** Students in the classroom will wear long pants, shorts and/or skirts. Shorts and skirts must cover their entire buttocks area and must extend to fingertip length plus 2 inches. Shirts will cover the entire midriff and shoulders of a student. Shoes must cover the entire foot.
- **Training Ground Setting:** Students on the training grounds will wear long pants (recommended) or shorts of a nature that are durable such as jeans or station pants. They will not have holes in them and will not hang/slide down below the waistline. Shirts will cover the entire midriff and shoulders of a student, same as in the classroom. Shoes will be at least work boots or bunker boots that cover the entire foot when on training grounds.
- **Suppression Activities:** Students participating in fire suppression activities are required to wear long pants and a long sleeve shirt. The long sleeve shirt should be made of cotton and can be a T-shirt or sweatshirt, if the student wishes to add a second layer. If the long sleeve is used as a second layer, the layer underneath must be a shirt that will cover the entire midriff and shoulders of a student, same as classroom and training ground settings.
- **Recommended Dress for all Students:** It is recommended that students wear some type of station uniform. This would include a fire department T-shirt or uniform shirt with some sort of insignia on it, dark station pants, and black shoes or boots. This is a preferred dress and is ***not mandatory*** to attend classes.
- **Dress that is Not Acceptable:** If any of the below attire is on a student when they report for classes they will be asked to correct their dress before the class begins. If they do not correct the situation they will not be allowed to participate in class for the day, and the instructor will advise the student to leave the facility. The student will then have to make up the class at a different time.
  - 1) Any items with profanity, drug paraphernalia, or any type of discriminatory wording, phrases, or images printed on them.
  - 2) Shirts/blouses that have spaghetti straps.



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- 3) Muscle shirts.
- 4) Shorts/Skirts that expose the buttocks or genitals in any manner.
- 5) Pants that have large holes in them and have the potential of exposing students' buttocks or genital areas.
- 6) Sandals / Open toed shoes of any kind.

**Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)**

When required for a given training course, the student is responsible to bring his/her Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and Respiratory Protection (SCBA) for the training courses provided by Bucks County Community College. This will ensure the PPE and SCBA will properly fit. The Bucks County Community College reserves the right to inspect the PPE and/or SCBA of any individual attending a training course, and may exclude that student from training if the PPE and/or SCBA are not adequate and/or safe.

The PPE and SCBA ensemble shall include the following National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) approved elements: **(1)** structural firefighting helmet with eye protection (*acceptable: face shields, goggles, or safety glasses; unacceptable: bourkes*), **(2)** firefighting hood, **(3)** structural firefighting bunker coat, **(4)** structural firefighting bunker pants, **(5)** firefighting gloves, **(6)** firefighting boots, **(7)** Self-Containing Breathing Apparatus (SCBA), and **(8)** Personal Alert Safety System (PASS) Device.

*Structural Firefighter Protective Ensemble* – Multiple elements of protective clothing meeting the design specifications of NFPA 1971 that, when properly donned and worn together, provide protection from many of the risks of emergency operations. These elements shall consist of the following:

- 1). Structural firefighting helmet
- 2). Structural firefighting hood
- 3). Structural firefighting coat
- 4). Structural firefighting pants
- 5). Structural firefighting gloves
- 6). Structural firefighting boots
- 7). Self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) meeting the design specifications of NFPA 1981. Sufficient air shall be provided to ensure the student is able to complete the evolution without the low air alarm activating.
- 8). Personal alert safety system (PASS) device meeting the design specifications of NFPA 1982.
- 9). Approved safety glasses.

The Bucks County Community College uses a checklist routine inspection of personal protective equipment (PPE) and self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA). This inspection is in no way a substitute for advanced professional evaluation of the clothing established by NFPA 1851 *Selection, Care, and Maintenance of Structural Fire Fighting Protective Ensemble*.

**Physical Health**

All students participating in courses with physical activities should meet the requirements of NFPA 1582, Standard on Medical Requirements for Fire Fighters and Information for Fire Department Physicians, within a reasonable period of time prior to entering into physical training or testing to ensure his or her ability to safely perform the required tasks.

All fourteen (14) Essential Job Tasks and Descriptions from NFPA 1582, 2022 Edition that must be met are:

- 1) Wearing personal protective equipment (PPE) and self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) while performing firefighting tasks (e.g., hose line operations, extensive crawling, lifting and carrying heavy objects, ventilating roofs or walls using power or hand tools, forcible entry), rescue operations, and other emergency response actions under stressful conditions, including working in extremely hot or cold environments for prolonged time periods
- 2) Wearing an SCBA, which includes a demand-valve-type positive-pressure facepiece or HEPA filter mask, which requires the ability to tolerate increased respiratory workloads
- 3) Exposure to toxic fumes, irritants, particulates, biological (i.e., infectious) and nonbiological hazards, or heated gases, despite the use of PPE and SCBA
- 4) Climbing at least six flights of stairs or walking a similarly strenuous distance and incline in jurisdictions without tall buildings while wearing PPE and SCBA, commonly weighing 40–50 lb (18–23 kg) and carrying equipment/tools weighing an additional 20–40 lb (9–18 kg)
- 5) Wearing PPE and SCBA that is encapsulating and insulated, which will result in significant fluid loss that frequently progresses to clinical dehydration and can elevate core temperature to levels exceeding 102.2°F (39°C)
- 6) Working alone while wearing PPE and SCBA, searching, finding, and rescue-dragging or carrying victims ranging from newborns to adults weighing over 165 lb (75 kg) to safety despite hazardous conditions and low visibility

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- 7) While wearing PPE and SCBA, advancing water-filled hose lines up to 1 ¾ in. (45 mm) in diameter from fire apparatus to occupancy [approximately 150 ft (50 m)], which can involve negotiating multiple flights of stairs, ladders, and other obstacles
- 8) While wearing PPE and SCBA, climbing ladders, operating from heights, walking or crawling in the dark along narrow and uneven surfaces that might be wet or icy, and operating in proximity to electrical power lines or other hazards
- 9) Unpredictable, prolonged periods of extreme physical exertion as required by emergency operations without benefit of a warm-up period, scheduled rest periods, meals, access to medication(s), or hydration
- 10) Operating fire apparatus or other vehicles in an emergency mode with emergency lights and sirens
- 11) Critical, time-sensitive, complex problem solving during physical exertion in stressful, hazardous environments, including hot, dark, tightly enclosed spaces, that is further aggravated by fatigue, flashing lights, sirens, and other distractions
- 12) Ability to communicate (i.e., give and comprehend verbal orders) while wearing PPE and SCBA under conditions of high background noise, poor visibility, and drenching from hose lines or fixed protection systems (e.g., sprinklers)
- 13) Functioning as an integral component of a team, where sudden incapacitation of a member can result in mission failure or in risk of injury or death to members of the public or other team members
- 14) Working in shifts, including during nighttime, that can extend beyond 12 hours

### **Student Participation**

The Bucks County Community College Department of Public Safety Training & Certification has a 100% course completion requirement. All course sessions and all course objectives must be successfully completed in order to receive a certificate for any training course. In addition, all students should complete all assigned homework, readings, or other projects as assigned in class to help meet the objectives. All students are expected to conduct themselves in a professional manner, see Student Conduct below. This includes being respectful and responsible with the use of cellphones and other electronic devices while in class.

### **Student Conduct**

Bucks County Community College Department of Public Safety Training and Certification supports the National Society of Executive Fire Officers (NSEFO) and Congressional Fire Services Institute (CFSI) “Firefighter Code of Ethics” and has adopted this as the standard in which all students shall conduct themselves during courses offered by Bucks County Community College.

*Today's fire service leaders face a variety of challenges managing budgets, personnel, and programs. Occasionally, ethical issues emerge for which there are no easy answers. To provide guidance to address these complex questions, the National Society of Executive Fire Officers (NSEFO) and Congressional Fire Services Institute (CFSI) jointly have released a firefighter code of ethics that can be adopted by local fire and emergency medical service organizations. The ethics statement is the result of almost two years of effort by the Board of Directors of NSEFO. [Source: [U.S. Fire Administration](#)]*

To download a copy of the “Firefighter Code of Ethics” visit our website under *Forms and Documents* at [www.bucks.edu/publicsafety](http://www.bucks.edu/publicsafety) or the U.S. Fire Administration website.

### **Minimum Age Requirements / Junior Fire Fighter**

Bucks County Community College Instructors are required to follow the guidelines regarding minimum age requirements and specifically Junior Firefighter Rules, as identified by the Child Labor Law, Pennsylvania State Fire Academy, and NFPA Standards. Students under the age of 18 are not permitted to enter a burning structure, operate within an IDLH (immediately dangerous to life and health) atmosphere, or operate hydraulic tools or stabilizers in accordance with the “Child Labor Law” and ACT 155.

Students under 18 years of age must have an employment certificate. The Chief and/or Training Officer is required to verify that the junior firefighter does have his or her working papers. Junior firefighters should be properly identified during training sessions. Be aware that minors may not be able to complete the entire session of a nighttime class; this should be considered before enrolling them into a course. We recommend all minors enroll in weekend programs to avoid this issue. If a question arises regarding junior firefighters, consult the appropriate Regional Field Director (see page 19 for staff directory). A copy of the Junior Firefighter Compliance Manual can be found in the [Forms and Documents](#) section of our website.

Some exceptions may apply, but not limited to students in a Technical High School Program while participating in class, during school hours, and days under the direct supervision of the Technical High School Instructor. The same exceptions may not apply to Professional Certification; the student should consult with the Certification Department for specific details.

### **Student Preregistration and Requirements for Course**

All Courses advertised through the Bucks County Resident Training Catalog require registration before the course start date to guarantee a seat and the course to run as scheduled. This section will go over the process of preregistration and the requirements to be accepted into the course.

The preregistration form shall be submitted to either BCPSTC or LBPSTC in advance of the start date of the course. Preregistration deadline dates are identified within the course meets section under each course found within the catalog. Preregistration deadline dates have been established to ensure enough time for the registration process to be completed and confirmations to be sent using constant contact. Preregistration forms received after the deadline provide no guarantee to obtain entrance into the program prior to the start date of that course section. Preregistration forms can be found in the Bucks County Resident Training Catalog, our website ([www.bucks.edu/publicsafety](http://www.bucks.edu/publicsafety)), or at either Training Facility. In order to be accepted, each preregistration form must be filled out completely along with the student meeting all of the requirements for enrollment. Tuition for the course is indicated in the catalog or can be obtained by contacting either BCPSTC or LBPSTC. All courses will be filled on a first come, first serve basis. All preregistrations shall be submitted as soon as possible and forms should be completed fully and correctly to avoid a delay in acceptance or failure to accept into a course.

- **Prerequisites:** All prerequisites are required prior to entry into any program. They should be sent in with the preregistration form for the course to avoid delays of being registered. (Canvas based Professional Certification classes allow for those prerequisites to be uploaded to ensure a complete candidate file)
- **Age Restrictions:** All students are required to meet the minimum age requirements on the first day of the course. Age restrictions are based on Child Labor Laws, NFPA Standards, and PA State Fire Academy Policy.
- **Physical Health:** All students participating in courses with physical activities should meet the requirements of NFPA 1582, Standard on Medical Requirements for Fire Fighters and Information for Fire Department Physicians, within a reasonable period of time prior to entering into physical training or testing to ensure his or her ability to safely perform the required tasks.
- **Enrollment Minimum and Maximum Size:** A minimum and maximum course size is established for all courses. All courses will be filled on a first come, first serve basis. Cancellations will be made fourteen (14) days prior to the start date. The Bucks County Community College reserves the right to cancel or postpone any course because of insufficient enrollment or other unforeseen circumstances.
- **Notification of Acceptance:** No confirmation letter (Notification of Acceptance) will be sent until the minimum course enrollment is reached. In the event a course reaches its maximum number of enrollment, then a notification of being placed on the waitlist will be sent out to the student. If space opens up in that course, then students will be placed in the course on a first come, first serve basis. *Students that just show up to a course that is full will be sent home.*

### **Course Tuition**

The Bucks County Community College Department of Public Safety Training and Certification provides training and administrative processing at no cost for members of the Bucks County Emergency Services and Departments participating in the Training Membership Program as a Silver, Gold, or Platinum member. All other PA Emergency Services and Out of State (or Non-PA Agencies) Responders are charged based on the course fees, certification costs, and any other fees that may apply for the listed classes/certifications. Each course fee in the Resident Catalog is listed with the course and the three specific categories listed above. Courses being offered that are not listed in the Resident Catalog may have different fees that apply. All student's, regardless of billing category may be responsible for lab fees for courses with expendable and/or maintenance of equipment. For more information on the Training Membership Program, please visit [our website](#).

- **Tuition Payment:** Tuition payment for classes must be made at the time of registration or within seven (7) days of registration. A paid receipt will be issued upon payment, if an invoice is required prior to payment please contact us at <mailto:PSFinancial@bucks.edu>. Tuition rates can be found in the Bucks County Resident Training Catalog or by calling the BCPSTC or LBPSTC. Acceptable payment methods are Company/Department Check, Personal Check, or MasterCard/Visa. Agencies may send Purchase Orders at time of registration of the class to have billing sent direct to the agency.
- **Tuition Refund:** Approved refunds will be issued back to the payee as follows: If you paid by Credit Card, then the card will be credited. If you paid by Check, the College will issue a refund check. The College does not issue cash refunds.

### **Course Completion / Professional Certification Certificates**

Class certificates are processed by the Bucks County Community College Department of Public Safety & Certification from the information provided on the Bucks County Community College "Registration Form - Non-Credit Course" which is completed by the student at the start of course. A student must meet all of the course objectives, including

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attendance and prerequisites in order to receive a course certificate. No special certificates will be issued to a student that has not met **ALL** of the requirements.

Course completion certificates will be sent electronically to the student's email through Parchment. The email on file will come from the registration form filled out on the first day of the course. Students will be provided a claim link to get into Parchment to claim their certificate. You will be required to sign up to create a password the first time and you will apply a verification code provided. Please note you want to continue to use the same email address, so your certificates stay under one record. The turn-around time for certificates is approximately four (4) weeks after the lead instructor's completed paperwork is received. Any certificates over one year old should be requested through a transcript request through the form and directions on page 81 directly with the Fire School and not through Parchment.

Students who successfully complete professional certification programs will receive a certificate that is numbered by the National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications (Pro Board). These certification certificates will continue to be printed and mailed at this time. The turn-around time for certification certificates is approximately six (6) to eight (8) weeks.

### **Class/Course Cancellation**

**Cancellation due to low enrollment:** If the minimum enrollment to run a course is not met within fourteen (14) days of the course start date, cancellation due to low enrollment will be made. All students pre-registered for this course will be notified via phone/email, from information found on the form, of the course cancellation.

**Emergency Closures / Delayed Starting:** Any cancellation or delayed starting of a class session due to inclement weather or for any other reason will be announced over the Bucks County Emergency Services Communication and through the College Emergency Notification System (e2campus). See the [Emergency Closure / Inclement Weather](#).

### **Drop/Withdrawal from a Course & the No Show Policy**

In the event a student must withdraw from a course, the student should send in a cancellation form as soon as possible to allow a space for someone who can attend and incurring any no show fees. A cancellation form should be submitted to the BCPSTC or LBPSTC at least **72 hours** prior to the start of the course; in return, a student will be provided with a cancellation number that they should keep for their records. This cancellation policy and form can be found on our website at [www.bucks.edu/publicsafety](http://www.bucks.edu/publicsafety) under [Forms + Documents](#) in the [Student and Sponsoring Agency Section](#).

Tuition and fees paid for classes cancelled by the College due to insufficient registrations are fully refundable. Other tuition refunds will be processed under the following official policy of the College:

- Official Drop/Withdrawal period, **72 hours prior** to the start date of the course:
  - Will result in a 100% tuition refund.
- Official Drop/Withdrawal from a course **less than 72 hours but prior** to the start date of the course:
  - Will result in a 50% tuition refund.  
***NOTE:** All Bucks County and TMP Option Silver, Gold, & Platinum students will be invoiced 50% of the In State tuition Rate. For all In State and Out of State students for tuition already paid in full the difference will be refunded in accordance with our refund policy.*
- Official Drop/Withdrawal period, on and following the start date of the course AND No Shows:
  - Will result in a 0% tuition refund.  
***NOTE:** All Bucks County and TMP Option Silver, Gold, & Platinum students will be invoiced 100% of the In State tuition rate. For all In State and Out of State students no tuition will be refunded.*

#### **Military Duty Tuition Refund:**

A student unable to complete any course by virtue of being called to Military Reserve Duty, other than a training obligation scheduled prior to the beginning of the course, shall be granted a drop/withdrawal with a 100% refund.

#### **Tuition Appeals:**

The college recognizes that there may be extenuating circumstances that can prevent a student from dropping/withdrawing from a course prior to the 72 hours before the start date. An appeal for tuition refund may be filed if a student was unable to attend courses registered due to medical, personal, or employment-related situations that were beyond the student's control.

If a student is charged for a No Show or Late Cancellation and wish to appeal the charge, please submit in writing to the BCPSTC or LBPSTC within 30 days of the first statement (Invoice) date providing your name, class semester/number, and copy of the invoice the reason for your appeal.



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 Department of Public Safety Training and Certification  
 Website: <http://www.bucks.edu/publicsafety>

**Main Phone:** 267-685-4888  
**Training Facility Fax:** 215-788-4906  
**Business Office Fax:** 215-497-8721  
**Email:** [fireschool@bucks.edu](mailto:fireschool@bucks.edu)

**Bristol Training Facility & Office**  
 2912 River Road  
 Croydon, PA 19021

**Doylestown Training Facility & Office**  
 1760 S. Easton Road  
 Doylestown, PA 18901

**Business (State) Office**  
 275 Swamp Road, Farmhouse 2<sup>nd</sup> Fl  
 Newtown, PA 18940

**Public Safety Degree Office**  
 275 Swamp Road  
 Newtown, PA 18940

**Public Safety Training & Certification Drop/Withdrawal Form**

You must fill this form out, sign it, and fax / email it either to the Bristol or Doylestown Training Center. Forms will be processed based on the time they are received to our office.

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ M.I.: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ or Last 4 of SSN: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Request permission to CANCEL from:

	<b>FSC # and Section:</b>	<b>Course Title:</b>	<b>Course Location:</b>
<i>Ex</i>	<i>FSC 0999.501</i>	<i>Bucks Basic Fire Ground Training</i>	<i>Bucks Co PSTC</i>
<b>1.</b>			
<b>2.</b>			
<b>3.</b>			
<b>4.</b>			

Reason for Withdrawal: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Chief/Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY:**

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Received on:

Cancellation Processed by:

*Cancellation Confirmation Numbers:*

Cancellation Processed on:

Course 1:

Course 2:

Course 3:

Course 4:

***This form must be received within the timeframes specified within the policy and the start date of the course.***  
 (Example: Class Starts 08/12/2023, Cancellation Form must be received by the Department of Public Safety Training and Certification no later than 08/08/2023)

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**Helpful emails for your questions and needs**

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Facility related questions can be emailed to [PSFacilities@bucks.edu](mailto:PSFacilities@bucks.edu)

Resident Catalog & Pre-registration Forms can be emailed to [PSReg@bucks.edu](mailto:PSReg@bucks.edu)

Parchment and Class Certificate questions can be emailed to [FireSchool@bucks.edu](mailto:FireSchool@bucks.edu)

Professional Certification (ProBoard) questions can be emailed to [PSCertification@bucks.edu](mailto:PSCertification@bucks.edu)

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**Accredited Professional Certification Levels**

Bucks County Community College is accredited for the following nationally recognized programs:

<b>Discipline</b>	<b>NFPA-Year</b>	<b>Certificate</b>
1. Hazardous Materials/WMD Awareness Level	470-2022	ProBoard
2. Hazardous Materials/WMD Operations “CORE” (Chapter 7) Level	470-2022	ProBoard
3. Hazardous Materials/WMD Operations Level: Personal Protective Equipment Mission Specific Responsibility	470-2022	ProBoard
4. Hazardous Materials/WMD Operations Level: Product Control Mission Specific Responsibility	470-2022	ProBoard
5. Hazardous Materials/WMD Operations Level: Mass Decontamination Mission Specific Responsibility	470-2022	ProBoard
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7. Hazardous Materials/WMD Operations Level: Detection, Monitoring, and Sampling Mission Specific Responsibility	470-2022	ProBoard
8. Hazardous Materials/WMD Technician Level	470-2022	ProBoard
9. Hazardous Materials/WMD Incident Commander	470-2022	ProBoard
10. Hazardous Materials/WMD Safety Officer	470-2022	ProBoard
11. Fire Fighter 1	1001-2019	ProBoard
12. Fire Fighter 2	1001-2019	ProBoard
13. Driver Operator – Pumper	1002-2017	ProBoard
14. Driver Operator – Aerial Device	1002-2017	ProBoard
15. Driver Operator – Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Apparatus	1002-2017	ProBoard
16. Driver Operator – Mobile Water Supply Apparatus	1002-2017	ProBoard
17. Driver Operator – Tiller	1002-2017	ProBoard
18. Airport Firefighter	1003-2019	ProBoard
19. Confined Space Technical Rescuer at the Awareness Level	1006-2017	ProBoard
20. Confined Space Technical Rescuer at the Operations Level	1006-2017	ProBoard
21. Confined Space Technical Rescuer at the Technician Level	1006-2017	ProBoard
22. Rope Technical Rescuer at the Awareness Level	1006-2017	ProBoard
23. Rope Technical Rescuer at the Operations Level	1006-2017	ProBoard
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26. Structural Collapse Technical Rescuer at the Operations Level	1006-2017	ProBoard
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29. Trench Technical Rescuer at the Operations Level	1006-2017	ProBoard
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31. Vehicle Technical Rescuer at the Awareness Level	1006-2017	ProBoard
32. Vehicle Technical Rescuer at the Operations Level	1006-2017	ProBoard
33. Vehicle Technical Rescuer at the Technician Level	1006-2017	ProBoard
34. Fire Company Officer 1	1021-2020	ProBoard
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36. Fire Company Officer 3	1021-2020	ProBoard

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38. Fire Inspector 1	1031-2014	ProBoard
39. Fire Inspector 2	1031-2014	ProBoard
40. Fire Inspector 3	1031-2014	ProBoard
41. Plans Examiner 1	1031-2014	ProBoard
42. Plans Examiner 2	1031-2014	ProBoard
43. Fire Investigator	1033-2014	ProBoard
44. Public Fire and Life Safety Educator 1	1035-2015	ProBoard
45. Public Fire and Life Safety Educator 2	1035-2015	ProBoard
46. Fire and Emergency Services Instructor 1	1041-2019	ProBoard
47. Fire and Emergency Services Instructor 2	1041-2019	ProBoard
48. Fire and Emergency Services Instructor 3	1041-2019	ProBoard
49. Live Fire Instructor	1041-2019	ProBoard
50. Live Fire Instructor in Charge	1041-2019	ProBoard
51. Public Safety Telecommunicator 1	1225-2022	ProBoard
52. Public Safety Telecommunicator 2	1225-2022	ProBoard
53. Fire Department Safety Officer - Incident Safety Officer	1521-2020	ProBoard
54. Fire Department Safety Officer - Health and Safety Officer	1521-2020	ProBoard

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**Text Book Information & Purchasing**

Bucks County Community College provides handouts and/or student participant guides for most courses. Professional Certification programs and several other programs may use published textbooks. For information on what is required or provided, you can check the course description in both the Bucks County Resident Training Course Catalog or the Local Level Emergency Services Training Catalog. Both are available at our facilities and on our website ([www.bucks.edu/publicsafety](http://www.bucks.edu/publicsafety)).

**The courses that require the student to have purchased a required text for the first meeting of class are indicated on the description and include the publisher, title, and edition.** It is recommended that if a text has a workbook or study guide the student purchase them for their benefit. However, it is not required and not all texts have workbooks or study guides available. Below you will find recommended places to purchase required text(s); however you can find them elsewhere if you choose. Please note that editions of text books do change through the year and questions should be directed to the Training Center.

***All required books must be purchased and available on the first day of class.***

<p><b>IFSTA and Jones &amp; Bartlett Manuals:</b></p> <p>Lancaster County Firemans' Association 632 East Oregon Road Lititz, Pennsylvania 17543 Website: <a href="http://www.lcfa.com">www.lcfa.com</a> Phone: (717) 581-5467 Fax: (717) 394-1254</p>	<p><b>Jones &amp; Bartlett Manuals:</b></p> <p>Jones &amp; Bartlett Publishers, LLC 40 Tall Pine Drive Sudbury, Massachusetts 01776 Website: <a href="http://www.jbpub.com">www.jbpub.com</a> Phone: (800) 832-0034 Fax: (978) 443-8000</p>
<p><b>CMC Rescue Manuals:</b></p> <p>CMC Rescue PO Box 6870 Santa Barbara, California 93160 Website: <a href="http://www.cmcrescue.com">www.cmcrescue.com</a> Phone: (805) 562-9860 Fax: (805) 562-8260</p>	<p><b>VFIS Manuals:</b></p> <p>VFIS 183 Leader Heights Road, P.O. Box 2726 York, Pennsylvania 17405 Website: <a href="http://www.vfis.com">www.vfis.com</a> Phone: (717) 741-0911</p>
<p><b>American Heart Association (AHA) Manuals:</b></p> <p>CPR Heart Starters Inc. Safety Training P.O. Box 448 Warrington, PA 18976 Website: <a href="http://www.cprheartstarters.com">www.cprheartstarters.com</a> Phone: (888) 700-0072 Fax: (215) 343-2011</p>	<p><b>Laerdal Medical:</b></p> <p>Laerdal Medical Corporation 167 Myers Corners Road Wappingers Falls, New York 12590 Website: <a href="http://www.laerdal.com">www.laerdal.com</a> Phone: (877) 523-7325 Fax: (800) 227-1143</p>



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 Ph: 267-685-4888 Fax: 215-788-4906

Website: [www.bucks.edu/publicsafety](http://www.bucks.edu/publicsafety)

Email: [psreg@bucks.edu](mailto:psreg@bucks.edu)

<b>1</b>	<b>SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER</b>		<b>DATE OF BIRTH</b>		<b>BCCC STUDENT NUMBER</b>		<b>GENDER</b>		
							<input type="checkbox"/> Female		
	<b>TITLE</b>			<b>COUNTY OF RESIDENCE (PA Residents Only)</b>					<input type="checkbox"/> Male
	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr.	<input type="checkbox"/> Ms.	<input type="checkbox"/> Mrs.	<input type="checkbox"/> Miss					
<b>LAST NAME</b>				<b>SUFFIX</b>	<b>FIRST NAME</b>			<b>MI</b>	

<b>2</b>	<b>ADDRESS (Street Address or Postal Box Address)</b>							<b>APT#/UNIT#</b>
	<b>CITY</b>					<b>STATE</b>	<b>ZIP CODE</b>	

<b>3</b>	<b>CELL (Mobile) Phone No.</b>		<b>HOME (night-time) PHONE NO.</b>		<b>WORK (day-time) PHONE NO.</b>		
<b>E-MAIL ADDRESS:</b>							

<b>4</b>	<b>ORGANIZATION/EMPLOYER (Agency you are representing during the course)</b>				<b>ORGANIZATION/EMPLOYER COUNTY</b>			
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<b>5</b>	<b>METHODS OF PAYMENT: Select invoice options Section 5A and select method of payment Section 5B</b>							
	<b>5A.</b>		<b>5B.</b>					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Invoice the student		<input type="checkbox"/> Personal Check (# _____)		<input type="checkbox"/> VISA or <input type="checkbox"/> MasterCard: A completed Credit Card Authorization Form must be submitted, Form available on our website.			
<input type="checkbox"/> Invoice the Organization/Employer		<input type="checkbox"/> Organization Check (# _____)						
<input type="checkbox"/> Bucks County Dept.		<input type="checkbox"/> Organization P.O. (# _____)						
<input type="checkbox"/> TMP (Silver/Gold/Platinum) Agency ID #:								

<b>6</b>	<b>COURSE NUMBER &amp; SECTION</b>		<b>COURSE TITLE</b>		<b>START DATE</b>	<b>HOURS</b>
	<b>COURSE LOCATION:</b>					<b>COUNTY:</b>

<b>7</b>	<b>AUTHORIZATION</b>							
	<b>A.</b>	Meets the qualifications and age requirements to attend including all of the necessary prerequisites. Copies of prerequisites must be brought to the first day.						
	<b>B.</b>	Is covered by his/her company's WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE, or is covered by his/her own Health and Medical Insurance while attending any course sponsored by the Bucks County Community College.						
	<b>C.</b>	Will abide by all the rules and regulations established by the Bucks County Community College and the Pennsylvania State Fire Academy.						
	<b>D.</b>	Will abide by 29 CFR 1910.134 and the Pennsylvania State Fire Academy for being clean-shaven for classes requiring the use of APR or SCBA.						
	<b>E.</b>	Has no knowledge of conditions that will prohibit full participation in all activities required for successful completion of the class.						
	<b>F.</b>	Will be responsible for any tuition and/or fees associated with the course, unless otherwise notified by the sponsoring Organization/Employer that is listed in Section above. (See section 5 for information on who should be invoiced and the payment method) (See: <a href="#">Student Financial Responsibilities Agreement</a> )						
	<b>G.</b>	Junior Fire Fighters (age 17 and under) will abide by all regulations under the Pennsylvania Child Labor Laws and will not register for or participate in any class with drills involving live fire or smoke generated by live fire.						
	<b>H.</b>	The candidate should meet the requirements of NFPA 1582, Standard on Medical Requirements for Fire Fighters and Information for Fire Department Physicians, within a reasonable period of time prior to entering into physical training or testing to ensure his or her ability to safely perform the required tasks. (See back of this page for further details of the essential job tasks and descriptions.)						
	<b>I.</b>	I, the Student have never been convicted of an offense that constitutes the crime of "arson and related offenses" under 18 Pa.C.S §3301 or any similar offense under any Federal or state law. I hereby certify that the statements contained herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that if I knowingly make any false statement herein, I am subject to penalties prescribed by law, including, but not limited to, a fine of at least \$1,000.						
<i>By signing this form below you, the student, agree to the first nine items (A thru I) listed above. Registrations will not be processed without Signature of Student.</i>								
<b>SIGNATURE OF STUDENT</b>		<b>DATE SIGNED</b>		<b>SIGNATURE OF CHIEF/SUPERVISOR</b>		<b>DATE SIGNED</b>		
Registrations will not be processed without Signature of Student on day of class, and Pre-registrations will not be processed without Signature of both Student and Chief/Supervisor.								



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**Essential Job Tasks and Descriptions from NFPA 1582, 2022 edition**

- 1) Wearing personal protective equipment (PPE) and self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) while performing firefighting tasks (e.g., hose line operations, extensive crawling, lifting and carrying heavy objects, ventilating roofs or walls using power or hand tools, forcible entry), rescue operations, and other emergency response actions under stressful conditions, including working in extremely hot or cold environments for prolonged time periods
- 2) Wearing an SCBA, which includes a demand-valve-type positive-pressure facepiece or HEPA filter mask, which requires the ability to tolerate increased respiratory workloads
- 3) Exposure to toxic fumes, irritants, particulates, biological (i.e., infectious) and nonbiological hazards, or heated gases, despite the use of PPE and SCBA
- 4) Climbing at least six flights of stairs or walking a similarly strenuous distance and incline in jurisdictions without tall buildings while wearing PPE and SCBA, commonly weighing 40–50 lb (18–23 kg) and carrying equipment/tools weighing an additional 20–40 lb (9–18 kg)
- 5) Wearing PPE and SCBA that is encapsulating and insulated, which will result in significant fluid loss that frequently progresses to clinical dehydration and can elevate core temperature to levels exceeding 102.2°F (39°C)
- 6) Working alone while wearing PPE and SCBA, searching, finding, and rescue-dragging or carrying victims ranging from newborns to adults weighing over 165 lb (75 kg) to safety despite hazardous conditions and low visibility
- 7) While wearing PPE and SCBA, advancing water-filled hose lines up to 1 3/4 in. (45 mm) in diameter from fire apparatus to occupancy [approximately 150 ft (50 m)], which can involve negotiating multiple flights of stairs, ladders, and other obstacles
- 8) While wearing PPE and SCBA, climbing ladders, operating from heights, walking or crawling in the dark along narrow and uneven surfaces that might be wet or icy, and operating in proximity to electrical power lines or other hazards
- 9) Unpredictable, prolonged periods of extreme physical exertion as required by emergency operations without benefit of a warm-up period, scheduled rest periods, meals, access to medication(s), or hydration
- 10) Operating fire apparatus or other vehicles in an emergency mode with emergency lights and sirens
- 11) Critical, time-sensitive, complex problem solving during physical exertion in stressful, hazardous environments, including hot, dark, tightly enclosed spaces, that is further aggravated by fatigue, flashing lights, sirens, and other distractions
- 12) Ability to communicate (i.e., give and comprehend verbal orders) while wearing PPE and SCBA under conditions of high background noise, poor visibility, and drenching from hose lines or fixed protection systems (e.g., sprinklers)
- 13) Functioning as an integral component of a team, where sudden incapacitation of a member can result in mission failure or in risk of injury or death to members of the public or other team members
- 14) Working in shifts, including during nighttime, that can extend beyond 12 hours



## ***Firefighter Code of Ethics***

**I understand that I have the responsibility to conduct myself in a manner that reflects proper ethical behavior and integrity. In so doing, I will help foster a continuing positive public perception of the fire service. Therefore, I pledge the following...**

- Always conduct myself, on and off duty, in a manner that reflects positively on myself, my department and the fire service in general.
- Accept responsibility for my actions and for the consequences of my actions.
- Support the concept of fairness and the value of diverse thoughts and opinions.
- Avoid situations that would adversely affect the credibility or public perception of the fire service profession.
- Be truthful and honest at all times and report instances of cheating or other dishonest acts that compromise the integrity of the fire service.
- Conduct my personal affairs in a manner that does not improperly influence the performance of my duties, or bring discredit to my organization.
- Be respectful and conscious of each member's safety and welfare.
- Recognize that I serve in a position of public trust that requires stewardship in the honest and efficient use of publicly owned resources, including uniforms, facilities, vehicles and equipment and that these are protected from misuse and theft.
- Exercise professionalism, competence, respect and loyalty in the performance of my duties and use information, confidential or otherwise, gained by virtue of my position, only to benefit those I am entrusted to serve.
- Avoid financial investments, outside employment, outside business interests or activities that conflict with or are enhanced by my official position or have the potential to create the perception of impropriety.
- Never propose or accept personal rewards, special privileges, benefits, advancement, honors or gifts that may create a conflict of interest, or the appearance thereof.
- Never engage in activities involving alcohol or other substance use or abuse that can impair my mental state or the performance of my duties and compromise safety.
- Never discriminate on the basis of race, religion, color, creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, gender, sexual preference, medical condition or handicap.
- Never harass, intimidate or threaten fellow members of the service or the public and stop or report the actions of other firefighters who engage in such behaviors.
- Responsibly use social networking, electronic communications, or other media technology opportunities in a manner that does not discredit, dishonor or embarrass my organization, the fire service and the public. I also understand that failure to resolve or report inappropriate use of this media equates to condoning this behavior.

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## ***Basic Fire Academy Programs***

<p><b>Fire Fighter 1 Professional Certification (NFPA 1001)</b></p> <p><i>This certification can earn you 3 credits towards your Fire Science Degree or Academic Certificate through Bucks County Community College, see page 83 for more information.</i></p> <p><b>Prerequisites:</b> Age 16 and up, IS-700: An Introduction to the National Incident Management System, and ICS-100: Introduction to the Incident Command System</p> <p><b>Required Textbook(s):</b> <i>IFSTA, Essentials of Fire Fighting 7<sup>th</sup> Edition, AHA, Heartsaver First Aid, AHA, BLS for Healthcare Provider (CPR &amp; AED) and pocket mask, and IFSTA, Hazardous Materials for First Responders 6<sup>th</sup> Edition, see page 22 for additional information.</i></p> <p><b>Required Equipment:</b> Turn out gear, SCBA, and Computer with audio capability and internet access</p> <p><b>Cost of Course:</b></p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;"><b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b></td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">\$ 0.00**</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;"><b>In State:</b></td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">\$ 1,150.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;"><b>Out of State:</b></td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 2px;">\$ 2,110.00</td> </tr> </table>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>	\$ 0.00**	<b>In State:</b>	\$ 1,150.00	<b>Out of State:</b>	\$ 2,110.00	<p>206      <b>Hours</b></p>	<p>This course provides instruction to the student in basic firefighting necessary to function as a responding member of a fire department. The following topics will be covered in this program:</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">Building Construction</td> <td style="padding: 2px;">Ladders</td> <td style="padding: 2px;">Search &amp; Rescue</td> <td style="padding: 2px;">Fire Behavior</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">Personal Safety Equip.</td> <td style="padding: 2px;">Vehicle Fires</td> <td style="padding: 2px;">Fire Extinguisher</td> <td style="padding: 2px;">Ropes &amp; Knots</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">Fire Hose &amp; Streams</td> <td style="padding: 2px;">Ventilation</td> <td style="padding: 2px;">Safety</td> <td style="padding: 2px;">Water Supply</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">Forcible Entry</td> <td style="padding: 2px;">SCBA</td> <td style="padding: 2px;">Wildland Fire</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>				Building Construction	Ladders	Search & Rescue	Fire Behavior	Personal Safety Equip.	Vehicle Fires	Fire Extinguisher	Ropes & Knots	Fire Hose & Streams	Ventilation	Safety	Water Supply	Forcible Entry	SCBA	Wildland Fire									
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*Monday/Wednesday 7-11PM, and Sunday 8AM-5PM – Face to Face (F2F)*

Topics	Hours	Location	Dates	Times	
0 Orientation	4	LBPSTC	Monday, January 06, 2025	7PM-11PM	
1 Safety / POV Safety	4	LBPSTC	Wednesday, January 08, 2025	7PM-11PM	
<b>A Test Taking 101</b>	3.5	LBPSTC	Sunday, January 12, 2025	8AM-11:30AM	
2 Highway Scene / Landing Zone	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, January 12, 2025	1PM-5PM	
<b>B First Aid AHA</b>	4	LBPSTC	Monday, January 13, 2025	7PM-11PM	
3 PPE & SCBA	4	LBPSTC	Wednesday, January 15, 2025	7PM-11PM	
4 PPE & SCBA	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, January 19, 2025	8AM-12PM	
5 PPE & SCBA	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, January 19, 2025	1PM-5PM	
<b>C Hazardous Materials Awareness</b>	3	LBPSTC	Monday, January 20, 2025	7PM-10PM	
<b>Hazardous Materials Awareness</b>	3	LBPSTC	Wednesday, January 22, 2025	7PM-10PM	
<b>D Hazardous Materials Awareness Written Exam</b>	2	LBPSTC	Sunday, January 26, 2025	8AM-10AM	
<b>E Healthcare Provider CPR – AHA</b>	6	LBPSTC	Sunday, January 26, 2025	10AM-5PM	
6 Building Construction	4	LBPSTC	Monday, January 27, 2025	7PM-11PM	
7 Fire Behavior	4	LBPSTC	Wednesday, January 29, 2025	7PM-11PM	
8 Fire Extinguishers	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, February 02, 2025	8AM-12PM	
9 Forcible Entry	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, February 02, 2025	1PM-5PM	
10 Ropes & Knots	4	LBPSTC	Monday, February 03, 2025	7PM-11PM	
11 Search & Rescue	4	LBPSTC	Wednesday, February 05, 2025	7PM-11PM	
12 Communication	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, February 09, 2025	8AM-12PM	
13 Mid-term (written & practical)	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, February 09, 2025	1PM-5PM	
<b>Make-up Session</b>	4	<b>LBPSTC</b>	<b>Monday, February 10, 2025</b>	<b>7PM-11PM</b>	
14 Ground Ladders Identification	4	LBPSTC	Wednesday, February 12, 2025	7PM-11PM	
15 Ground Ladder Operations	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, February 16, 2025	8AM-12PM	
16 Ground Ladders and Aerials Operations	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, February 16, 2025	1PM-5PM	
17 Ventilation – Horizontal	4	LBPSTC	Monday, February 17, 2025	7PM-11PM	
18 Ventilation – Vertical	4	LBPSTC	Wednesday, February 19, 2025	7PM-11PM	
19 Water Supply / Sprinklers	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, February 23, 2025	8AM-12PM	
20 Fire Hose Identification	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, February 23, 2025	1PM-5PM	
21 Fire Hose Loads & Deployment	4	LBPSTC	Monday, February 24, 2025	7PM-11PM	
22 Advancing Fire Hose Lines	4	LBPSTC	Wednesday, February 26, 2025	7PM-11PM	
23 Fire Streams	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, March 02, 2025	8AM-12PM	
24 Wildland Fire Fighter Awareness / Arson Awareness	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, March 02, 2025	1PM-5PM	
25 Salvage & Overhaul	4	LBPSTC	Monday, March 03, 2025	7PM-11PM	
26 Fire Control 1	4	LBPSTC	Wednesday, March 05, 2025	7PM-11PM	
27 Fire Control 2	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, March 09, 2025	8AM-12PM	
28 Fire Control 3	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, March 09, 2025	1PM-5PM	
<b>Make-up Session</b>	4	<b>LBPSTC</b>	<b>Monday, March 10, 2025</b>	<b>7PM-11PM</b>	
<b>F Written Final (BBFA – FF1)</b>	4	LBPSTC	Wednesday, March 12, 2025	7PM-11PM	
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<b>G</b>	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	LBPSTC	Monday, March 17, 2025	7PM-11PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	LBPSTC	Wednesday, March 19, 2025	7PM-11PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, March 23, 2025	8AM-12PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, March 23, 2025	1PM-5PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	LBPSTC	Monday, March 24, 2025	7PM-11PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	LBPSTC	Wednesday, March 26, 2025	7PM-11PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, March 30, 2025	8AM-12PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, March 30, 2025	1PM-5PM
<b>Make-up Session</b>	4	<b>LBPSTC</b>	<b>Monday, March 31, 2025</b>	<b>7PM-9PM</b>	
<b>H Hazardous Materials Operations Written</b>	4	LBPSTC	Wednesday, April 02, 2025	7PM-11PM	
<b>I Hazardous Materials Operations Practical Skills</b>	8	LBPSTC	Sunday, April 06, 2025	8AM-5PM	
<i>Students must be over 18 years old to continue with the course and proceed to SBS and FF-1 Professional Certification Practical Testing unless in compliance with ACT 155 requirement.</i>					
<b>J</b>	Structural Burn Session	4	LBPSTC	Monday, April 07, 2025	7PM-11PM
	Structural Burn Session	4	LBPSTC	Wednesday, April 09, 2025	7PM-11PM
	Structural Burn Session	8	LBPSTC	Sunday, April 13, 2025	8AM-5PM
<b>Make-up Session</b>	4	<b>LBPSTC</b>	<b>Monday, April 14, 2025</b>	<b>7PM-11PM</b>	
<b>K Fire Fighter 1 Practical Skills Review (Optional)</b>	4	LBPSTC	Wednesday, April 16, 2025	7PM-11PM	
<b>L Fire Fighter 1 Practical Skills</b>	8	LBPSTC	Sunday, April 27, 2025	8AM-5PM	

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*Tuesday/Thursday 7-11PM, and Saturday 8AM-5PM - Face to Face (F2F)*

	<b>Topics</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Dates</b>	<b>Times</b>
0	Orientation	4	BCPSTC	Tuesday, January 14, 2025	7PM-11PM
1	Safety / POV Safety	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, January 16, 2025	7PM-11PM
<b>A</b>	<b>Test Taking 101</b>	3.5	BCPSTC	Saturday, January 18, 2025	8AM-11:30AM
2	Highway Scene / Landing Zone	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, January 18, 2025	1PM-5PM
<b>B</b>	<b>First Aid AHA</b>	4	BCPSTC	Tuesday, January 21, 2025	7PM-11PM
3	PPE & SCBA	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, January 23, 2025	7PM-11PM
4	PPE & SCBA	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, January 25, 2025	8AM-12PM
5	PPE & SCBA	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, January 25, 2025	1PM-5PM
<b>C</b>	<b>Hazardous Materials Awareness</b>	3	BCPSTC	Tuesday, January 28, 2025	7PM-11PM
	<b>Hazardous Materials Awareness</b>	3	BCPSTC	Thursday, January 30, 2025	7PM-11PM
<b>D</b>	<b>Hazardous Materials Awareness Written Exam</b>	2	BCPSTC	Saturday, February 01, 2025	8AM-10AM
<b>E</b>	<b>Healthcare Provider CPR – AHA</b>	6	BCPSTC	Saturday, February 01, 2025	10AM-5PM
6	Building Construction	4	BCPSTC	Tuesday, February 04, 2025	7PM-11PM
7	Fire Behavior	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, February 06, 2025	7PM-11PM
8	Fire Extinguishers	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, February 08, 2025	8AM-12PM
9	Forcible Entry	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, February 08, 2025	1PM-5PM
10	Ropes & Knots	4	BCPSTC	Tuesday, February 11, 2025	7PM-11PM
11	Search & Rescue	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, February 13, 2025	7PM-11PM
12	Communication	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, February 15, 2025	8AM-112PM
13	Mid-term (written & practical)	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, February 15, 2025	1PM-5PM
	<b>Make-up Session</b>	4	<b>BCPSTC</b>	<b>Tuesday, February 18, 2025</b>	<b>7PM-11PM</b>
14	Ground Ladders Identification	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, February 20, 2025	7PM-11PM
15	Ground Ladder Operations	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, February 22, 2025	8AM-12PM
16	Ground Ladders and Aerials Operations	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, February 22, 2025	1PM-5PM
17	Ventilation – Horizontal	4	BCPSTC	Tuesday, February 25, 2025	7PM-11PM
18	Ventilation – Vertical	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, February 27, 2025	7PM-11PM
19	Water Supply / Sprinklers	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, March 01, 2025	8AM-12PM
20	Fire Hose Identification	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, March 01, 2025	1PM-5PM
21	Fire Hose Loads & Deployment	4	BCPSTC	Tuesday, March 04, 2025	7PM-11PM
22	Advancing Fire Hose Lines	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, March 06, 2025	7PM-11PM
23	Fire Streams	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, March 08, 2025	8AM-12PM
24	Wildland Fire Fighter Awareness / Arson Awareness	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, March 08, 2025	1PM-5PM
25	Salvage & Overhaul	4	BCPSTC	Tuesday, March 11, 2025	7PM-11PM
26	Fire Control 1	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, March 13, 2025	7PM-11PM
27	Fire Control 2	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, March 15, 2025	8AM-12PM
28	Fire Control 3	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, March 15, 2025	1PM-5PM
	<b>Make-up Session</b>	4	<b>BCPSTC</b>	<b>Tuesday, March 18, 2025</b>	<b>7PM-11PM</b>
<b>F</b>	<b>Written Final (BBFA – FF1)</b>	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, March 20, 2025	7PM-11PM
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<b>G</b>	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	BCPSTC	Tuesday, March 25, 2025	7PM-11PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, March 27, 2025	7PM-11PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, March 29, 2025	8AM-12PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, March 29, 2025	1PM-5PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	BCPSTC	Tuesday, April 01, 2025	7PM-11PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, April 03, 2025	7PM-11PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, April 05, 2025	8AM-12PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, April 05, 2025	1PM-5PM
	<b>Make-up Session</b>	4	<b>BCPSTC</b>	<b>Tuesday, April 08, 2025</b>	<b>7PM-9PM</b>
<b>H</b>	<b>Hazardous Materials Operations Written</b>	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, April 10, 2025	7PM-11PM
<b>I</b>	<b>Hazardous Materials Operations Practical Skills</b>	8	BCPSTC	Saturday, April 12, 2025	8AM-5PM
<i>Students must be over 18 years old to continue with the course and proceed to SBS and FF-1 Professional Certification Practical Testing unless in compliance with ACT 155 requirement.</i>					
<b>J</b>	Structural Burn Session	4	BCPSTC	Tuesday, April 15, 2025	7PM-11PM
	Structural Burn Session	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, April 17, 2025	7PM-11PM
	Structural Burn Session	8	BCPSTC	Saturday, April 19, 2025	8AM-5PM
	<b>Make-up Session</b>	4	<b>BCPSTC</b>	<b>Tuesday, April 22, 2025</b>	<b>7PM-11PM</b>
<b>K</b>	<b>Fire Fighter 1 Practical Skills Review (Optional)</b>	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, April 24, 2025	7PM-11PM
<b>L</b>	<b>Fire Fighter 1 Practical Skills</b>	8	BCPSTC	Saturday, April 26, 2025	8AM-5PM

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*Monday thru Thursday 8AM-5PM – Face to Face (F2F)*

	<b>Topics</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Dates</b>	<b>Times</b>
0	Orientation	4	BCPSTC	Monday, June 16, 2025	8AM-12PM
1	Safety / POV Safety	4	BCPSTC	Monday, June 16, 2025	1PM-5PM
<b>A</b>	<b>Test Taking 101</b>	3.5	BCPSTC	Tuesday, June 17, 2025	8AM-12PM
2	Highway Scene / Landing Zone	4	BCPSTC	Tuesday, June 17, 2025	1PM-5PM
<b>B</b>	<b>First Aid AHA</b>	4	BCPSTC	Wednesday, June 18, 2025	8AM-12PM
3	PPE & SCBA	4	BCPSTC	Wednesday, June 18, 2025	1PM-5PM
4	PPE & SCBA	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, June 19, 2025	8AM-12PM
5	PPE & SCBA	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, June 19, 2025	1PM-5PM
<b>C</b>	<b>Hazardous Materials Awareness</b>	6	BCPSTC	Monday, June 23, 2025	8AM-3PM
<b>D</b>	<b>Hazardous Materials Awareness Written Exam</b>	2	BCPSTC	Tuesday, June 24, 2025	8AM-10AM
<b>E</b>	<b>Healthcare Provider CPR – AHA</b>	6	BCPSTC	Tuesday, June 24, 2025	10AM-5PM
6	Building Construction	4	BCPSTC	Wednesday, June 25, 2025	8AM-12PM
7	Fire Behavior	4	BCPSTC	Wednesday, June 25, 2025	1PM-5PM
8	Fire Extinguishers	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, June 26, 2025	8AM-12PM
9	Forcible Entry	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, June 26, 2025	1PM-5PM
10	Ropes & Knots	4	BCPSTC	Monday, June 30, 2025	8AM-12PM
11	Search & Rescue	4	BCPSTC	Monday, June 30, 2025	1PM-5PM
12	Communication	4	BCPSTC	Tuesday, July 01, 2025	8AM-12PM
13	Mid-term (written & practical)	4	BCPSTC	Tuesday, July 01, 2025	1PM-5PM
	<b>Make-up Session</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>BCPSTC</b>	<b>Wednesday, July 02, 2025</b>	<b>8AM-12PM</b>
14	Ground Ladders Identification	4	BCPSTC	Wednesday, July 02, 2025	1PM-5PM
15	Ground Ladder Operations	4	BCPSTC	Monday, July 07, 2025	8AM-12PM
16	Ground Ladders and Aerials Operations	4	BCPSTC	Monday, July 07, 2025	1PM-5PM
17	Ventilation – Horizontal	4	BCPSTC	Tuesday, July 08, 2025	8AM-12PM
18	Ventilation – Vertical	4	BCPSTC	Tuesday, July 08, 2025	1PM-5PM
19	Water Supply / Sprinklers	4	BCPSTC	Wednesday, July 09, 2025	8AM-12PM
20	Fire Hose Identification	4	BCPSTC	Wednesday, July 09, 2025	1PM-5PM
21	Fire Hose Loads & Deployment	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, July 10, 2025	8AM-12PM
22	Advancing Fire Hose Lines	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, July 10, 2025	1PM-5PM
23	Fire Streams	4	BCPSTC	Monday, July 14, 2025	8AM-12PM
24	Wildland Fire Fighter Awareness / Arson Awareness	4	BCPSTC	Monday, July 14, 2025	1PM-5PM
25	Salvage & Overhaul	4	BCPSTC	Tuesday, July 15, 2025	8AM-12PM
26	Fire Control 1	4	BCPSTC	Tuesday, July 15, 2025	1PM-5PM
27	Fire Control 2	4	BCPSTC	Wednesday, July 16, 2025	8AM-12PM
28	Fire Control 3	4	BCPSTC	Wednesday, July 16, 2025	1PM-5PM
	<b>Make-up Session</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>BCPSTC</b>	<b>Thursday, July 17, 2025</b>	<b>8AM-12PM</b>
<b>F</b>	<b>Written Final (BBFA – FF1)</b>	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, July 17, 2025	1PM-5PM
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<b>G</b>	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	BCPSTC	Monday, July 21, 2025	8AM-12PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	BCPSTC	Monday, July 21, 2025	1PM-5PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	BCPSTC	Tuesday, July 22, 2025	8AM-12PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	BCPSTC	Tuesday, July 22, 2025	1PM-5PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	BCPSTC	Wednesday, July 23, 2025	8AM-12PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	BCPSTC	Wednesday, July 23, 2025	1PM-5PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, July 24, 2025	8AM-12PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, July 24, 2025	1PM-5PM
	<b>Make-up Session</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>BCPSTC</b>	<b>Monday, July 28, 2025</b>	<b>8AM-12PM</b>
<b>H</b>	<b>Hazardous Materials Operations Written</b>	4	BCPSTC	Monday, July 28, 2025	1PM-5PM
<b>I</b>	<b>Hazardous Materials Operations Practical Skills</b>	8	BCPSTC	Tuesday, July 29, 2025	8AM-5PM
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<b>J</b>	Structural Burn Session	4	BCPSTC	Wednesday, July 30, 2025	8AM-12PM
	Structural Burn Session	4	BCPSTC	Wednesday, July 30, 2025	1PM-5PM
	Structural Burn Session	8	BCPSTC	Thursday, July 31, 2025	8AM-5PM
	<b>Make-up Session</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>BCPSTC</b>	<b>Monday, August 04, 2025</b>	<b>8AM-12PM</b>
<b>K</b>	<b>Fire Fighter 1 Practical Skills Review (Optional)</b>	4	BCPSTC	Monday, August 04, 2025	1PM-5PM
<b>L</b>	<b>Fire Fighter 1 Practical Skills</b>	8	BCPSTC	Tuesday, August 05, 2025	8AM-5PM



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	<b>Topics</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Dates</b>	<b>Times</b>
0	Orientation	4	BCPSTC	Tuesday, August 05, 2025	7PM-11PM
1	Safety / POV Safety	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, August 07, 2025	7PM-11PM
<b>A</b>	<b>Test Taking 101</b>	3.5	BCPSTC	Saturday, August 09, 2025	8AM-11:30AM
2	Highway Scene / Landing Zone	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, August 09, 2025	1PM-5PM
<b>B</b>	<b>First Aid AHA</b>	4	BCPSTC	Tuesday, August 12, 2025	7PM-11PM
3	PPE & SCBA	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, August 14, 2025	7PM-11PM
4	PPE & SCBA	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, August 16, 2025	8AM-12PM
5	PPE & SCBA	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, August 16, 2025	1PM-5PM
<b>C</b>	<b>Hazardous Materials Awareness</b>	4	BCPSTC	Tuesday, August 19, 2025	7PM-11PM
	<b>Hazardous Materials Awareness</b>	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, August 21, 2025	7PM-11PM
<b>D</b>	<b>Hazardous Materials Awareness Written Exam</b>	2	BCPSTC	Saturday, August 23, 2025	8AM-10AM
<b>E</b>	<b>Healthcare Provider CPR – AHA</b>	6	BCPSTC	Saturday, August 23, 2025	10AM-5PM
6	Building Construction	4	BCPSTC	Tuesday, August 26, 2025	7PM-11PM
7	Fire Behavior	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, August 28, 2025	7PM-11PM
8	Fire Extinguishers	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, September 06, 2025	8AM-12PM
9	Forcible Entry	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, September 06, 2025	1PM-5PM
10	Ropes & Knots	4	BCPSTC	Tuesday, September 09, 2025	7PM-11PM
11	Search & Rescue	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, September 11, 2025	7PM-11PM
12	Communication	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, September 13, 2025	8AM-10AM
13	Mid-term (written & practical)	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, September 13, 2025	10AM-5PM
	<b>Make-up Session</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>BCPSTC</b>	<b>Tuesday, September 16, 2025</b>	<b>7PM-11PM</b>
14	Ground Ladders Identification	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, September 18, 2025	7PM-11PM
15	Ground Ladder Operations	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, September 20, 2025	8AM-12PM
16	Ground Ladders and Aerials Operations	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, September 20, 2025	1PM-5PM
17	Ventilation – Horizontal	4	BCPSTC	Tuesday, September 23, 2025	7PM-11PM
18	Ventilation – Vertical	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, September 25, 2025	7PM-11PM
19	Water Supply / Sprinklers	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, September 27, 2025	8AM-12PM
20	Fire Hose Identification	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, September 27, 2025	1PM-5PM
21	Fire Hose Loads & Deployment	4	BCPSTC	Tuesday, September 30, 2025	7PM-11PM
22	Advancing Fire Hose Lines	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, October 02, 2025	7PM-11PM
23	Fire Streams	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, October 04, 2025	8AM-12PM
24	Wildland Fire Fighter Awareness / Arson Awareness	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, October 04, 2025	1PM-5PM
25	Salvage & Overhaul	4	BCPSTC	Tuesday, October 07, 2025	7PM-11PM
26	Fire Control 1	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, October 09, 2025	7PM-11PM
27	Fire Control 2	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, October 11, 2025	8AM-12PM
28	Fire Control 3	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, October 11, 2025	1PM-5PM
	<b>Make-up Session</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>BCPSTC</b>	<b>Tuesday, October 14, 2025</b>	<b>7PM-11PM</b>
<b>F</b>	<b>Written Final (BBFA – FF1)</b>	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, October 16, 2025	7PM-11PM
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<b>G</b>	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	BCPSTC	Tuesday, October 21, 2025	7PM-11PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, October 23, 2025	7PM-11PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, October 25, 2025	8AM-12PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, October 25, 2025	1PM-5PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	BCPSTC	Tuesday, October 28, 2025	7PM-11PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, October 30, 2025	7PM-11PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, November 01, 2025	8AM-12PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	BCPSTC	Saturday, November 01, 2025	1PM-5PM
	<b>Make-up Session</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>BCPSTC</b>	<b>Tuesday, November 04, 2025</b>	<b>7PM-9PM</b>
<b>H</b>	<b>Hazardous Materials Operations Written</b>	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, November 06, 2025	7PM-11PM
<b>I</b>	<b>Hazardous Materials Operations Practical Skills</b>	8	BCPSTC	Saturday, November 08, 2025	8AM-5PM
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<b>J</b>	Structural Burn Session	4	BCPSTC	Tuesday, November 11, 2025	7PM-11PM
	Structural Burn Session	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, November 13, 2025	7PM-11PM
	Structural Burn Session	8	BCPSTC	Saturday, November 15, 2025	8AM-5PM
	<b>Make-up Session</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>BCPSTC</b>	<b>Tuesday, November 18, 2025</b>	<b>7PM-11PM</b>
<b>K</b>	<b>Fire Fighter 1 Practical Skills Review (Optional)</b>	4	BCPSTC	Thursday, November 20, 2025	7PM-11PM
<b>L</b>	<b>Fire Fighter 1 Practical Skills</b>	8	BCPSTC	Saturday, November 22, 2025	8AM-5PM

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*Monday/Wednesday 7-11PM, and Sunday 8AM-5PM – Face to Face (F2F)*

Topics	Hours	Location	Dates	Times	
0 Orientation	4	LBPSTC	Monday, August 11, 2025	7PM-11PM	
1 Safety / POV Safety	4	LBPSTC	Wednesday, August 13, 2025	7PM-11PM	
<b>A Test Taking 101</b>	3.5	LBPSTC	Sunday, August 17, 2025	8AM-11:30AM	
2 Highway Scene / Landing Zone	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, August 17, 2025	1PM-5PM	
<b>B First Aid AHA</b>	4	LBPSTC	Monday, August 18, 2025	7PM-11PM	
3 PPE & SCBA	4	LBPSTC	Wednesday, August 20, 2025	7PM-11PM	
4 PPE & SCBA	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, August 24, 2025	8AM-12PM	
5 PPE & SCBA	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, August 24, 2025	1PM-5PM	
<b>C Hazardous Materials Awareness</b>	3	LBPSTC	Monday, August 25, 2025	7PM-11PM	
<b>Hazardous Materials Awareness</b>	3	LBPSTC	Wednesday, August 27, 2025	7PM-11PM	
<b>D Hazardous Materials Awareness Written Exam</b>	2	LBPSTC	Sunday, September 07, 2025	8AM-10AM	
<b>E Healthcare Provider CPR – AHA</b>	6	LBPSTC	Sunday, September 07, 2025	10AM-5PM	
6 Building Construction	4	LBPSTC	Monday, September 08, 2025	7PM-11PM	
7 Fire Behavior	4	LBPSTC	Wednesday, September 10, 2025	7PM-11PM	
8 Fire Extinguishers	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, September 14, 2025	8AM-12PM	
9 Forcible Entry	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, September 14, 2025	1PM-5PM	
10 Ropes & Knots	4	LBPSTC	Monday, September 15, 2025	7PM-11PM	
11 Search & Rescue	4	LBPSTC	Wednesday, September 17, 2025	7PM-11PM	
12 Communication	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, September 21, 2025	8AM-12PM	
13 Mid-term (written & practical)	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, September 21, 2025	1PM-5PM	
<b>Make-up Session</b>	4	<b>LBPSTC</b>	<b>Monday, September 22, 2025</b>	<b>7PM-11PM</b>	
14 Ground Ladders Identification	4	LBPSTC	Wednesday, September 24, 2025	7PM-11PM	
15 Ground Ladder Operations	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, September 28, 2025	8AM-12PM	
16 Ground Ladders and Aerials Operations	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, September 28, 2025	1PM-5PM	
17 Ventilation – Horizontal	4	LBPSTC	Monday, September 29, 2025	7PM-11PM	
18 Ventilation – Vertical	4	LBPSTC	Wednesday, October 01, 2025	7PM-11PM	
19 Water Supply / Sprinklers	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, October 05, 2025	8AM-12PM	
20 Fire Hose Identification	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, October 05, 2025	1PM-5PM	
21 Fire Hose Loads & Deployment	4	LBPSTC	Monday, October 06, 2025	7PM-11PM	
22 Advancing Fire Hose Lines	4	LBPSTC	Wednesday, October 08, 2025	7PM-11PM	
23 Fire Streams	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, October 12, 2025	8AM-12PM	
24 Wildland Fire Fighter Awareness / Arson Awareness	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, October 12, 2025	1PM-5PM	
25 Salvage & Overhaul	4	LBPSTC	Monday, October 13, 2025	7PM-11PM	
26 Fire Control 1	4	LBPSTC	Wednesday, October 15, 2025	7PM-11PM	
27 Fire Control 2	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, October 19, 2025	8AM-12PM	
28 Fire Control 3	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, October 19, 2025	1PM-5PM	
<b>Make-up Session</b>	4	<b>LBPSTC</b>	<b>Monday, October 20, 2025</b>	<b>7PM-11PM</b>	
<b>F Written Final (BBFA – FF1)</b>	4	LBPSTC	Wednesday, October 22, 2025	7PM-11PM	
<b>(Bucks County Basic Fire Academy written exam for age 17 and under, FF-1 written exam for age 18 and over, except for students 17 years of age and in compliance of ACT 155)</b>					
<b>Students under 18, or 17 and not in compliance with ACT 155, will test for Bucks County Basic Fire Academy only. On or after their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday and having all the required prerequisites they can Challenge the FF-1 Written and Skills.</b>					
<b>G</b>	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	LBPSTC	Monday, October 27, 2025	7PM-11PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	LBPSTC	Wednesday, October 29, 2025	7PM-11PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, November 02, 2025	8AM-12PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, November 02, 2025	1PM-5PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	LBPSTC	Monday, November 03, 2025	7PM-11PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	LBPSTC	Wednesday, November 05, 2025	7PM-11PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, November 09, 2025	8AM-12PM
	Hazardous Materials Operations	4	LBPSTC	Sunday, November 09, 2025	1PM-5PM
<b>Make-up Session</b>	4	<b>LBPSTC</b>	<b>Monday, November 10, 2025</b>	<b>7PM-9PM</b>	
<b>H Hazardous Materials Operations Written</b>	4	LBPSTC	Wednesday, November 12, 2025	7PM-11PM	
<b>I Hazardous Materials Operations Practical Skills</b>	8	LBPSTC	Sunday, November 16, 2025	8AM-5PM	
<i>Students must be over 18 years old to continue with the course and proceed to SBS and FF-1 Professional Certification Practical Testing unless in compliance with ACT 155 requirement.</i>					
<b>J</b>	Structural Burn Session	4	LBPSTC	Monday, November 17, 2025	7PM-11PM
	Structural Burn Session	4	LBPSTC	Wednesday, November 19, 2025	7PM-11PM
	Structural Burn Session	8	LBPSTC	Sunday, November 23, 2025	8AM-5PM
<b>Make-up Session</b>	4	<b>LBPSTC</b>	<b>Monday, December 01, 2025</b>	<b>7PM-11PM</b>	
<b>K Fire Fighter 1 Practical Skills Review (Optional)</b>	4	LBPSTC	Wednesday, December 03, 2025	7PM-11PM	
<b>L Fire Fighter 1 Practical Skills</b>	8	LBPSTC	Sunday, December 07, 2025	8AM-5PM	

## ***Advanced Fire Academy Programs***

<b>Fire Fighter 2 Professional Certification (NFPA 1001)</b>	104	Hours	<p>This series of courses will further guide students along the path to a complete basic firefighting education by introducing advanced concepts and techniques in the areas of:</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">Command and Control</td> <td style="width: 50%;">Foam</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Equipment Maintenance</td> <td>Report Writing</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Fire Hose Testing</td> <td>Technical Rescue</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Fire Ground Operations</td> <td>Vehicle Rescue</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Flammable Liquids &amp; Gases</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> <p><b><i>This course presented in 2 sections:</i></b></p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 5%;"></th> <th style="width: 85%;">Sections</th> <th style="width: 10%;">Cost</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">1.</td> <td>Advanced Fire Academy (88 hrs.)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$ 500.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">2.</td> <td>Fire Fighter 2 Professional Certification Testing (12 hrs.)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$ 175.00</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p><i>(Cost is based on PA Municipal Emergency Service Providers outside of Bucks County)</i></p> <p>When registering for this course you will be placed in all the course sections, unless you specify otherwise.</p> <p>The final exam is for Fire Fighter 2 Certification. Prerequisites must be turned in by the first day of the course.</p>	Command and Control	Foam	Equipment Maintenance	Report Writing	Fire Hose Testing	Technical Rescue	Fire Ground Operations	Vehicle Rescue	Flammable Liquids & Gases			Sections	Cost	1.	Advanced Fire Academy (88 hrs.)	\$ 500.00	2.	Fire Fighter 2 Professional Certification Testing (12 hrs.)	\$ 175.00
Command and Control	Foam																					
Equipment Maintenance	Report Writing																					
Fire Hose Testing	Technical Rescue																					
Fire Ground Operations	Vehicle Rescue																					
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1.	Advanced Fire Academy (88 hrs.)	\$ 500.00																				
2.	Fire Fighter 2 Professional Certification Testing (12 hrs.)	\$ 175.00																				

**Prerequisites:** Age 18 and up, ELIF or EBM or Bucks Basic Fire Academy, and ICS-200: Basic Incident Command System for Initial Response  
**\*\*To be eligible for Professional Certification in Fire Fighter 2 the student must have both Fire Fighter 1 Professional Certification and Hazardous Materials Core Operations Level with Personal Protective Equipment, and Product Control Mission Specific Competencies Professional Certification (IFSAC or ProBoard)**

<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>IFSTA, Essentials of Fire Fighting 7<sup>th</sup> Edition, see page 22 for additional information.</i>
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Turn out gear, SCBA, and Computer with audio capability and internet access
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b> \$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b> \$ 675.00
	<b>Out of State:</b> \$ 1,350.00

<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
<a href="#">February 17, 2025 Mon/Wed 7PM-11PM &amp; Sun 8AM-5PM</a> Preregistration Deadline February 03, 2025	916.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown
<a href="#">September 16, 2025 Tues/Thurs 7PM-11PM &amp; Sat 8AM-5PM</a> Preregistration Deadline September 02, 2025	916.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon

**See a full schedule of the class on one of the following pages.**

It is **required** that students complete the FEMA Emergency Management Institute NIMS IS 200 online courses which can be accessed at the following link: <https://training.fema.gov/nims/>

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**Advanced Fire Academy / Fire Fighter 2: “Spring Battalion 922” at BCPSTC**

*Monday/Wednesday 7PM-11PM and Sunday 8AM-5PM – Face to Face (F2F)*

<b>Topics</b>	<b>Hrs</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Dates</b>	<b>Times</b>
Fire Prevention	4	BCPSTC	Monday, February 17, 2025	7PM-11PM
Arson Awareness	4	BCPSTC	Wednesday, February 19, 2025	7PM-11PM
Evidence Preservation	4	BCPSTC	Sunday, February 23, 2025	8AM-12PM
Strategies & Tactics / Firefighter Safety	4	BCPSTC	Sunday, February 23, 2025	1PM-5PM
Fire Safety Presentation	4	BCPSTC	Monday, February 24, 2025	7PM-11PM
Incident Report Writing	4	BCPSTC	Wednesday, February 26, 2025	7PM-11PM
Accident Investigation	4	BCPSTC	Sunday, March 02, 2025	8AM-12PM
Pre-Incident Planning	4	BCPSTC	Sunday, March 02, 2025	1PM-5PM
<b>Make-up Session</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>BCPSTC</b>	<b>Monday, March 03, 2025</b>	<b>7PM-11PM</b>
Equipment Maintenance	4	BCPSTC	Wednesday, March 05, 2025	7PM-11PM
Technical Rescue Awareness	4	BCPSTC	Sunday, March 09, 2025	8AM-12PM
Technical Rescue Awareness	4	BCPSTC	Sunday, March 09, 2025	1PM-5PM
Basic Vehicle Rescue	4	BCPSTC	Monday, March 10, 2025	7PM-11PM
Basic Vehicle Rescue	4	BCPSTC	Wednesday, March 12, 2025	7PM-11PM
Basic Vehicle Rescue	4	BCPSTC	Sunday, March 16, 2025	8AM-12PM
Basic Vehicle Rescue	4	BCPSTC	Sunday, March 16, 2025	1PM-5PM
<b>Make-up Session</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>BCPSTC</b>	<b>Monday, March 17, 2025</b>	<b>7PM-11PM</b>
Hose Testing	4	BCPSTC	Wednesday, March 19, 2025	7PM-11PM
Fire Suppression Foam	4	BCPSTC	Sunday, March 23, 2025	8AM-12PM
Flammable Liquids & Gases	4	BCPSTC	Sunday, March 23, 2025	1PM-5PM
Large Scale Incidents / Crew Review	4	BCPSTC	Monday, March 24, 2025	7PM-11PM
Suppression Preparation	4	BCPSTC	Wednesday, March 26, 2025	7PM-11PM
Suppression Exercises	4	BCPSTC	Sunday, March 30, 2025	8AM-12PM
Suppression Exercises	4	BCPSTC	Sunday, March 30, 2025	1PM-5PM
Fire Fighter 2 Written Exam	4	BCPSTC	Monday, March 31, 2025	7PM-11PM
Fire Fighter 2 Skills Review Session	4	BCPSTC	Wednesday, April 02, 2025	7PM-11PM
Fire Fighter 2 Practical Skills	8	BCPSTC	Sunday, April 06, 2025	8AM-5PM

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**Advanced Fire Academy / Fire Fighter 2: “Fall Battalion 921” at LBPSTC**  
*Tuesday/Thursday 7PM-11PM and Saturday 8AM-5PM – Face to Face (F2F)*

<b>Topics</b>	<b>Hrs</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Dates</b>	<b>Times</b>
Fire Prevention	4	LBPSTC	Tuesday, September 16, 2025	7PM-11PM
Arson Awareness	4	LBPSTC	Thursday, September 18, 2025	7PM-11PM
Evidence Preservation	4	LBPSTC	Saturday, September 20, 2025	8AM-12PM
Strategies & Tactics / Firefighter Safety	4	LBPSTC	Saturday, September 20, 2025	1PM-5PM
Fire Safety Presentation	4	LBPSTC	Tuesday, September 23, 2025	7PM-11PM
Incident Report Writing	4	LBPSTC	Thursday, September 25, 2025	7PM-11PM
Accident Investigation	4	LBPSTC	Saturday, September 27, 2025	8AM-12PM
Pre-Incident Planning	4	LBPSTC	Saturday, September 27, 2025	1PM-5PM
<b>Make-up Session</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>LBPSTC</b>	<b>Tuesday, September 30, 2025</b>	<b>7PM-11PM</b>
Equipment Maintenance	4	LBPSTC	Thursday, October 02, 2025	7PM-11PM
Technical Rescue Awareness	4	LBPSTC	Saturday, October 04, 2025	8AM-12PM
Technical Rescue Awareness	4	LBPSTC	Saturday, October 04, 2025	1PM-5PM
Basic Vehicle Rescue	4	LBPSTC	Tuesday, October 07, 2025	7PM-11PM
Basic Vehicle Rescue	4	LBPSTC	Thursday, October 09, 2025	7PM-11PM
Basic Vehicle Rescue	4	LBPSTC	Saturday, October 11, 2025	8AM-12PM
Basic Vehicle Rescue	4	LBPSTC	Saturday, October 11, 2025	1PM-5PM
<b>Make-up Session</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>LBPSTC</b>	<b>Tuesday, October 14, 2025</b>	<b>7PM-11PM</b>
Hose Testing	4	LBPSTC	Thursday, October 16, 2025	7PM-11PM
Fire Suppression Foam	4	LBPSTC	Saturday, October 18, 2025	8AM-12PM
Flammable Liquids & Gases	4	LBPSTC	Saturday, October 18, 2025	1PM-5PM
Large Scale Incidents / Crew Review	4	LBPSTC	Tuesday, October 21, 2025	7PM-11PM
Suppression Preparation	4	LBPSTC	Thursday, October 23, 2025	7PM-11PM
Suppression Exercises	4	LBPSTC	Saturday, October 25, 2025	8AM-12PM
Suppression Exercises	4	LBPSTC	Saturday, October 25, 2025	1PM-5PM
Fire Fighter 2 Written Exam	4	LBPSTC	Tuesday, October 28, 2025	7PM-11PM
Fire Fighter 2 Skills Review Session	4	LBPSTC	Thursday, October 30, 2025	7PM-11PM
Fire Fighter 2 Practical Skills	8	LBPSTC	Saturday, November 01, 2025	8AM-5PM

## ***Fire Fighter Certification Challenges & Review***

<b>Fire Fighter 1 Professional Certification Practical Skills Challenge (NFPA 1001)</b>	8 Hours						
<p>Practical evaluations are intended to measure the manipulative skills of the Fire Fighter 1 and will follow guidelines set forth in accordance with the policies and procedures of the Bucks County Community College. The agency is capable of testing 100% of the practical objectives; however, the examination will only test a randomly pre-selected 50% of the total Fire Fighter 1 skills. A score of 100% shall constitute a passing grade for the candidate. A copy of all the practical skill stations is provided with confirmation letter sent out prior to testing.</p>							
<p><i>This certification can earn you 3 credits towards your Fire Science Degree or Academic Certificate through Bucks County Community College, see page 83 for more information.</i></p>							
<p>See <a href="#">Fire Fighter 1 Professional Certification Written Examination Challenge (NFPA 1001)</a> for information on the written exam dates and times.</p>							
<p><b>Prerequisites:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Basic Fire Fighter Training that meets the intent of NFPA 1001 (EBM or ELIF or Bucks Basic Fire Academy)</li> <li>• Current First Aid card or higher level of EMS Provider</li> <li>• Current CPR card</li> <li>• Hazardous Materials Core Operations Level with Personal Protective Equipment and Product Control Mission Specific Competencies (NFPA 472 or 1072) Professional Certification (IFSAC or ProBoard)</li> <li>• IS-700: An Introduction to the National Incident Management System</li> <li>• ICS-100: Introduction to the Incident Command System</li> </ul>							
<p align="center"><b>Testing DOES NOT stop for lunch. You should bring lunch and/or snacks as well as water or other hydrating beverages.</b></p>							
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up, See above for training & certification requirements						
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>IFSTA, Essentials of Fire Fighting 7<sup>th</sup> Edition, see page 22 for additional information.</i>						
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Turn out gear and SCBA						
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<table border="0"> <tr> <td><b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b></td> <td align="right">\$ 0.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>In State:</b></td> <td align="right">\$ 175.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Out of State:</b></td> <td align="right">\$ 350.00</td> </tr> </table>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>	\$ 0.00	<b>In State:</b>	\$ 175.00	<b>Out of State:</b>	\$ 350.00
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<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>					
April 27, 2025 Sunday 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline April 13, 2025	479.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon					
November 22, 2025 Saturday 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline November 08, 2025	479.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown					



## ***Fire Fighter Certification Challenges & Review***

<b>Fire Fighter 1 Professional Certification Written Examination Challenge (NFPA 1001)</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<p>The written examination measures the cognitive skills of the Fire Fighter 1 and will follow guidelines set forth in accordance with the policies and procedures of the Bucks County Community College. The examination will be randomly generated and consist of one hundred (100) questions. Candidates will have a maximum of 2 hours and 30 minutes to complete the examination. A score of 70% or above shall constitute a passing grade for the candidate.</p> <p><i>This certification can earn you 3 credits towards your Fire Science Degree or Academic Certificate through Bucks County Community College, see page 83 for more information.</i></p> <p>See <a href="#">Fire Fighter 1 Professional Certification Practical Skills Challenge (NFPA 1001)</a> for information on the practical skills testing dates and times.</p> <p><b>Prerequisites:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Basic Fire Fighter Training that meets the intent of NFPA 1001 (EBM or ELIF or Bucks Basic Fire Academy)</li> <li>• Current First Aid card or higher level of EMS Provider</li> <li>• Current CPR card</li> <li>• Hazardous Materials Operations CORE Level with Personal Protective Equipment and Product Control Mission Specific Competencies (NFPA 472 or 1072) Professional Certification (IFSAC or ProBoard)</li> <li>• IS-700: An Introduction to the National Incident Management System</li> <li>• ICS-100: Introduction to the Incident Command System</li> </ul>
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up, See above for training & certification requirements		
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>IFSTA, Essentials of Fire Fighting 7<sup>th</sup> Edition, see page 22 for additional information.</i>		
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	None		
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b><i>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</i></b>		\$ 0.00
	<b><i>In State:</i></b>		\$ 0.00
	<b><i>Out of State:</i></b>		\$ 0.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>	
March 12, 2025 Wednesday 7PM-11PM Preregistration Deadline February 26, 2025	483.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon	
October 16, 2025 Thursday 7PM-11PM Preregistration Deadline October 02, 2025	483.501	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown	

## ***Fire Fighter Certification Challenges & Review***

<b>Fire Fighter 2 Professional Certification Practical Skills Challenge (NFPA 1001)</b>	<b>8 Hours</b>
<p>Practical evaluations are intended to measure the manipulative skills of the Fire Fighter 2 and will follow guidelines set forth in accordance with the policies and procedures of the Bucks County Community College. The agency is capable of testing 100% of the practical objectives; however, the examination will only test a randomly pre-selected 50% of the total Fire Fighter 2 skills. A score of 100% shall constitute a passing grade for the candidate. A copy of all the practical skill stations is provided with confirmation letter sent out prior to testing.</p> <p>See <a href="#">Fire Fighter 2 Professional Certification Written Examination Challenge (NFPA 1001)</a> for information on the written exam dates and times.</p> <p><b>Prerequisites:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fire Fighter 1 Professional Certification (IFSAC or ProBoard)</li> <li>• Hazardous Materials Operations CORE Level with Personal Protective Equipment and Product Control Mission Specific Competencies (NFPA 472 or 1072) Professional Certification (IFSAC or ProBoard)</li> <li>• Advanced Fire Fighter Training that meets the intent of NFPA 1001 (<i>Below is a list of courses that can be found throughout this catalog. Equivalents/Experience can also be used by submitting official request for approval by contacting the Certification Department at <a href="mailto:PSCertification@bucks.edu">PSCertification@bucks.edu</a> with the documentation outlining your experience and/or other training and the learning objectives of that course.</i>)             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Engine Company Operations (or equivalent Training/Experience)</li> <li>○ Truck Company Operations (or equivalent Training/Experience)</li> <li>○ Flammable Gases Review (or equivalent Training/Experience)</li> <li>○ Flammable Liquids Review (or equivalent Training/Experience)</li> <li>○ High Angle / Rope Rescue 1 (or higher level of Rope Training/Certification)</li> <li>○ Vehicle Rescue Awareness &amp; Operations (or higher level of Training/Certification)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• ICS-200: Basic Incident Command System for Initial Response</li> </ul> <p align="center"><b>Testing DOES NOT stop for lunch. You should bring lunch and/or snacks as well as water or other hydrating beverages.</b></p>	
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up, See above for training & certification requirements
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>IFSTA, Essentials of Fire Fighting 7<sup>th</sup> Edition, see page 22 for additional information.</i>
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Turn out gear and SCBA
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b> \$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b> \$ 175.00
	<b>Out of State:</b> \$ 350.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>
April 06, 2025 Sunday 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline March 23, 2025	482.500
November 01, 2025 Saturday 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline October 18, 2025	482.600
	<b>Locations:</b>
	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown
	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon

## ***Fire Fighter Certification Challenges & Review***

<b>Fire Fighter 2 Professional Certification Written Examination Challenge (NFPA 1001)</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<p>The written examination measures the cognitive skills of the Fire Fighter 2 and will follow guidelines set forth in accordance with the policies and procedures of the Bucks County Community College. The examination will be randomly generated and consist of one hundred (100) questions. Candidates will have a maximum of 2 hours and 30 minutes to complete the examination. A score of 70% or above shall constitute a passing grade for the candidate.</p> <p>See <a href="#">Fire Fighter 2 Professional Certification Practical Skills Challenge (NFPA 1001)</a> for information on the practical skills testing dates and times.</p> <p><b>Prerequisites:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fire Fighter 1 Professional Certification (IFSAC or ProBoard)</li> <li>• Hazardous Materials Core Operations Level with Personal Protective Equipment and Product Control Mission Specific Competencies (NFPA 472 or NFPA 1072) Professional Certification (IFSAC or ProBoard)</li> <li>• Advanced Fire Fighter Training that meets the intent of NFPA 1001 (<i>Below is a list of courses that can be found throughout this catalog. Equivalent/Experience can also be used by submitting official request for approval by contacting the Certification Department at <a href="mailto:PSCertification@bucks.edu">PSCertification@bucks.edu</a> with the documentation outlining your experience and/or other training and the learning objectives of that course.</i>)             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Engine Company Operations (or equivalent Training/Experience)</li> <li>○ Truck Company Operations (or equivalent Training/Experience)</li> <li>○ Flammable Gases Review (or equivalent Training/Experience)</li> <li>○ Flammable Liquids Review (or equivalent Training/Experience)</li> <li>○ High Angle / Rope Rescue 1 (or higher level of Rope Training/Certification)</li> <li>○ Vehicle Rescue Awareness &amp; Operations (or higher level of Training/Certification)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• ICS-200: Basic Incident Command System for Initial Response</li> </ul>
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up, See above for training & certification requirements		
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>IFSTA, Essentials of Fire Fighting 7<sup>th</sup> Edition, see page 22 for additional information.</i>		
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	None		
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>		\$ 0.00
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	<b>Out of State:</b>		\$ 0.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>	
March 31, 2025 Monday 7PM-11PM Preregistration Deadline March 17, 2025	480.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown	
October 28, 2025 Tuesday 7PM-11PM Preregistration Deadline October 14, 2025	480.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon	

## ***Fire Fighting Programs***

<b>Engine Company Operations</b>	16	<b>Hours</b>	
	<p>This course provides instruction in the duties and responsibilities of an engine company. Topics include: fire behavior and spread in structures, positioning of apparatus, use of attack and backup lines, search and rescue, and water supply. A series of hands-on drills involving various engine company evolutions follows the classroom discussion.</p> <p><b>Special Note:</b> Instructor(s) will be asking for students to see if their Department can supply an Engine for the second day. It is not required for every student to bring an apparatus.</p>		
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up, EBM or ELIF or Bucks Basic Fire Academy or FF-1		
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Handouts will be provided		
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Turn out gear, SCBA		
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>		\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>		\$ 140.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>		\$ 255.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>	
May 03 & 04, 2025 Sat/Sun 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline April 26, 2025	205.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon	
September 06 & 07, 2025 Sat/Sun 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline August 30, 2025	205.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown	
<b>Fire Dynamics Strategy and Tactics</b>	3	<b>Hours</b>	
	<p>This course provides the firefighter the basic knowledge of strategy and tactics and how to apply the evidence-based fire research conducted by Underwriters Laboratories (UL), National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms (ATF) and other fire service organizations to fire ground operations. This course introduces new terminology related to fire dynamics, ventilation, flow paths, door control, transitional fire attack, basement fires, and new concepts for developing strategy and tactics.</p>		
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 16 and up, <a href="#">Fundamentals of Fire Dynamics</a>		
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Handouts will be provided		
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access		
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>		\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>		\$ 40.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>		\$ 80.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>	
February 20, 2025 Thursday 7PM-10PM Preregistration Deadline February 13, 2025	801.500	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)	
October 20, 2025 Monday 7PM-10PM Preregistration Deadline October 13, 2025	801.501	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)	

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<b>Fundamentals of Fire Dynamics</b>	<b>3 Hours</b>	
	The course provides the firefighter the basic knowledge to reinforce the evidence-based research conducted by Underwriters Laboratories (UL), National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms (ATF) and other fire service organizations. This course introduces new terminology related to fire dynamics, legacy verse modern fuel loads, new construction techniques, flow paths, door control, and ventilation that all impact fire ground operations.	
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 16 and up, EBM or ELEF or Bucks Basic Fire Academy or FF-1	
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Handouts will be provided	
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access	
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>	\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>	\$ 40.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>	\$ 80.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
January 28, 2025 Tuesday 7PM-10PM Preregistration Deadline January 21, 2025	800.500	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
September 24, 2025 Wednesday 7PM-10PM Preregistration Deadline September 17, 2025	800.501	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
<b>Firefighter Safety and Survival (SURV)</b>	<b>16 Hours</b>	
	This physically demanding, comprehensive program provides students with the necessary knowledge and skills relating to self-rescue. Emphasis will be placed on search techniques, communications, accountability, location, and self-rescue procedures. Students <u>must</u> be in adequate physical condition to perform 100% of all practical exercises.	
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up, EBM or ELIF or Bucks Basic Fire Academy or FF-1	
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Handouts will be provided	
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Turn out gear, SCBA	
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>	\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>	\$ 125.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>	\$ 240.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
March 22 & 23, 2025 Sat/Sun 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline March 15, 2025	202.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon
October 25 & 26, 2025 Sat/Sun 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline October 18, 2025	202.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown
<b>Flammable Gases Review</b>	<b>3 Hours</b>	
	This program is designed to review the types and nature of flammable gases. This course will reinforce pre-existing knowledge and skills acquired by the student in previous training programs. Topics include: physical and chemical properties of flammable gases, suppression strategies, resources and equipment needs, and agent selection and application.	
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up, EBM or ELIF or Bucks Basic Fire Academy or FF-1	
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Handouts will be provided	
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Turn out gear and SCBA	
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>	\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>	\$ 65.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>	\$ 105.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
March 23, 2025 Sunday 8AM-11AM Preregistration Deadline March 09, 2025	148.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown
October 18, 2025 Saturday 8AM-11AM Preregistration Deadline October 04, 2025	148.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon

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<b>Flammable Liquids Review</b>	<b>3 Hours</b>	
	<p>This program is designed to review the types and nature of flammable liquids. This course will reinforce pre-existing knowledge and skills acquired by the student in previous training programs. Topics include: physical and chemical properties of flammable liquids, suppression strategies, resources and equipment needs, and agent selection and application.</p>	
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up, EBM or ELIF or Bucks Basic Fire Academy or FF-1	
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Handouts will be provided	
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Turn out gear and SCBA	
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>	\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>	\$ 65.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>	\$ 105.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
March 23, 2025 Sunday 1PM-4PM Preregistration Deadline March 09, 2025	162.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown
October 18, 2025 Saturday 1PM-4PM Preregistration Deadline October 04, 2025	162.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon
<b>Truck Company Operations I (TRCO)</b>	<b>16 Hours</b>	
	<p>The student will be introduced to the basic concept of truck company operations as part of an organized, coordinated structural fire suppression operation. Truck companies, regardless of whether they arrive on an aerial device, squad, or engine, are the 'combat engineers' of fire attack operations. This course, for experienced fire fighters, will introduce the student to the basic concept of truck company operations and duties, including organizing the delivery of truck company services, selection and use of key tools, advanced ventilation and forcible entry theory and practices, search and rescue, and other fire attack support functions.</p> <p><i>Special Note: Instructor(s) will be asking for students to see if their Department can supply an Aerial for the second day of class. It is not required for every student to bring an apparatus.</i></p>	
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up, EBM or ELIF or Bucks Basic Fire Academy or FF-1	
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Handouts will be provided	
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Turn out gear, SCBA	
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>	\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>	\$ 140.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>	\$ 255.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
June 28 & 29, 2025 Sat/Sun 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline June 21, 2025	209.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon
October 18 & 19, 2025 Sat/Sun 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline October 11, 2025	209.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown



## ***Driver Operator Programs & Certification***

<b>Pump Operations 1 (PUOP)</b>	16	<b>Hours</b>	
<p>Through classroom sessions and practical fieldwork, this course will provide the student with an introduction to basic pump construction, water movement hydraulics, theory, and operating techniques. Emphasis is place on getting water to the pump, getting the water from the pump to the hose lines, and the prevention of common mistakes associated with pump operations.</p> <p><i>Special Note: Instructor(s) will be asking for students to see if their Department can supply an Engine for the second day. It is not required for every student to bring an apparatus.</i></p>			
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up, EBM or ELFG or Bucks Basic Fire Academy or FF-1		
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Handouts will be provided <b>**Recommended Published Text for Certification: IFSTA, Pumping Apparatus Driver/Operator Handbook, 3rd Edition OR IFSTA, Pumping and Aerial Apparatus Driver Operator Handbook, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition, see page 22 for additional information.</b>		
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Turn out gear		
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>		\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>		\$ 135.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>		\$ 250.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>	
May 03 & 04, 2025 Sat/Sun 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline April 26, 2025	420.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown	
August 23 & 24, 2025 Sat/Sun 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline August 16, 2025	420.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon	
<b>Pump Operations 2 (PUOA)</b>	16	<b>Hours</b>	
<p>Through classroom sessions and practical fieldwork, this course will provide the student with advanced techniques of operating fire pumps. Topics covered include friction loss, relay pumping, master streams, elevated master streams.</p> <p><i>Special Note: Instructor(s) will be asking for students to see if their Department can supply an Engine for the second day of class. It is not required for every student to bring an apparatus.</i></p>			
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up, <a href="#">Pump Operations 1 (PUOP)</a>		
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Handouts will be provided <b>**Recommended Published Text for Certification: IFSTA, Pumping Apparatus Driver/Operator Handbook OR IFSTA, Pumping and Aerial Apparatus Driver Operator Handbook, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition, 3rd Edition see page 22 for additional information.</b>		
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Turn out gear		
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>		\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>		\$ 135.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>		\$ 250.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>	
September 20 & 21, 2025 Sat/Sun 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline September 13, 2025	421.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown	

## ***Fire Police Programs***

<b>Basic Fire Police (BFPO)</b>	16	<b>Hours</b>	
This course provides instruction on the proper method to be appointed, the laws pertaining to fire police, fire police powers, and the expected duties of a new fire police officer.			
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up, ICS-100: Introduction to the Incident Command System		
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Somerset Cambria Fire Police Association, Basic Fire Police		
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Job Related PPE		
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>		\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>		\$ 115.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>		\$ 230.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>	
February 22 & 23, 2025 Sat/Sun 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline February 15, 2025	604.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown	
October 04 & 05, 2025 Sat/Sun 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline September 27, 2025	604.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon	
<b>Advanced Fire Police (AFPO)</b>	16	<b>Hours</b>	
This course provides instructional review of the laws pertaining to fire police powers and the expected duties of a fire police officer to include health and safety and legal aspects of performance. Fire Police Officers will also be taught how to deal with people, how to manage incident response and leadership qualities. Tabletop scenarios will be presented to reinforce the lessons introduced in regards to incident management and response.			
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up, <a href="#">Basic Fire Police (BFPO)</a>		
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Somerset Cambria Fire Police Association, Beyond the Basics		
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Job Related PPE		
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>		\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>		\$ 115.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>		\$ 230.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>	
April 05 & 06, 2025 Sat/Sun 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline March 28, 2025	635.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown	
November 22 & 23, 2025 Sat/Sun 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline November 15, 2025	635.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon	
<b>Legal Concepts for Fire Police (LCFP)</b>	16	<b>Hours</b>	
This course will touch upon training and the training officer's qualifications, policy & procedures, legal liabilities, court appearance, leadership, communications and public relations, defensive driving, traffic control, security, self-protection and uniforms.			
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up, <a href="#">Basic Fire Police (BFPO)</a>		
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Somerset Cambria Fire Police Association, Legal Concepts for Fire Police		
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	None		
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>		\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>		\$ 115.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>		\$ 230.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>	
June 07 & 08, 2025 Sat/Sun 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline May 31, 2025	244.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown	

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<b>Arson Awareness for Emergency Response Personnel (AAEP)</b>	<b>4 Hours</b>	
	This course is appropriate for <i>all</i> emergency responders (fire, fire police, police, and EMS) who might arrive first on the scene of a fire. It consists of material extracted from the longer National Fire Academy course <i>Arson Detection for the First Responder</i> , and is designed to give essential basic information to responders whose duties do not require the more extensive NFA course, or whose time schedules do not permit attending the longer course at this time.	
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up, Basic training as an Emergency Responder	
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Handouts will be provided	
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access	
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b><i>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</i></b>	\$ 0.00
	<b><i>In State:</i></b>	\$ 40.00
	<b><i>Out of State:</i></b>	\$ 80.00

<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
February 20, 2025 Thursday 7PM-11PM Preregistration Deadline February 13, 2025	735.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown
November 20, 2025 Thursday 7PM-11PM Preregistration Deadline November 13, 2025	735.501	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)

<b>Autism Awareness for the First Responder</b>	<b>3.5 Hours</b>	
	<p>About 1 in 68 children are diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder (ASD) according to estimates from the Center for Disease Control's (CDC) Autism and Developmental Disabilities Monitoring (ADDM) Network (2014). ASDs are reported to occur in all racial, ethnic, and socioeconomic groups. Children with ASD are 7 times more likely to have the need for emergency services and firefighters need to be aware of their special needs.</p> <p>Autism spectrum disorders (ASDs) are a group of developmental disabilities that can cause significant social, communication and behavioral challenges. People with ASDs handle information in their brain differently than other people. Someone on the spectrum is 7 times more likely to need emergency services and it is important that firefighters understand the best way to interact with a child or adult diagnosed with a spectrum disorder.</p>	
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 16 and up	
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Handouts will be provided	
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access	
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b><i>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</i></b>	\$ 0.00
	<b><i>In State:</i></b>	\$ 40.00
	<b><i>Out of State:</i></b>	\$ 80.00

<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
April 14, 2025 Monday 7PM-10:30PM Preregistration Deadline April 07, 2025	388.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown
September 08, 2025 Monday 7PM-10:30PM Preregistration Deadline September 01, 2025	388.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon

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<b>Building Construction Refresher</b>	<b>3 Hours</b>
	This program is designed to review for the student common building designs and construction methods. Building design and construction present to the fire fighter and fire officer a number of fire & safety issues, this information is presented so that they may effectively use it in the decision making process. This program is used to reinforce preexisting knowledge and skills acquired by the student in previous training programs.

<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 16 and up, Building Construction Training	
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Handouts will be provided	
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access	
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>	\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>	\$ 40.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>	\$ 80.00

<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
January 08, 2025 Wednesday 7PM-10PM Preregistration Deadline January 01, 2025	153.500	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
April 09, 2025 Wednesday 7PM-10PM Preregistration Deadline April 02, 2025	153.501	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown
August 13, 2025 Wednesday 7PM-10PM Preregistration Deadline August 06, 2025	153.502	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
November 19, 2025 Wednesday 7PM-10PM Preregistration Deadline November 12, 2025	153.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon

<b>Decision Making for Initial Company Operations (DMICO)</b>	<b>16 Hours</b>
	This course is designed to prepare the student to function as a company officer, by developing the skills required to safely and successfully managing company tactical operations at structural fires. The second in the series of programs designed to meet the needs of fire officers and crew leaders with responsibilities to manage the operations of one or more companies in structural firefighting operations. This course will provide a better understanding of the roles and responsibilities of a Company Officer as they relate to NIMS, Fireground Decision Making, Building Construction types as well as Burn Time Considerations and LODDs from Collapse Incidents while preparing their company for incident operations.

<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up, <a href="#">Preparation for Initial Company Operations (PICO)</a>	
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Handouts will be provided	
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access	
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>	\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>	\$ 115.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>	\$ 230.00

<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
March 25, 27, April 01 & 03, 2025 Tues/Thurs 7PM-11PM Preregistration Deadline March 18, 2025	765.500	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
September 22, 24, 29, & October 01, 2025 Mon/Wed 7PM-11PM Preregistration Deadline September 15, 2025	765.501	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)

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<b>Effective Budgeting for the Fire Official</b>	<b>4 Hours</b>	
	This program is designed to develop an awareness of budgetary responsibilities and practices for the new or aspiring fire officer. This program will discuss numerous factors and considerations in preparing and preparing a successful and well accepted fire department budget to elected officials and the general public. This program is used to expand upon preexisting knowledge and skills acquired by the student in previous training programs.	
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up	
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Handouts will be provided	
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access	
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b><i>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</i></b>	\$ 0.00
	<b><i>In State:</i></b>	\$ 40.00
	<b><i>Out of State:</i></b>	\$ 80.00

<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
March 20 thru April 15, 2025 Preregistration Deadline March 13, 2025	1068.500	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
June 20 thru July 15, 2025 Preregistration Deadline June 13, 2025	1068.501	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
September 20 thru October 15, 2025 Preregistration Deadline September 13, 2025	1068.502	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
December 20, 2025 thru January 15, 2026 Preregistration Deadline December 13, 2025	1068.503	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)

<b>Electrical Emergencies (ELFS)</b>	<b>3 Hours</b>	
	Educate emergency response personnel to the dangers of electricity and establish proper guidelines for handling electrical emergencies. Slide presentation of electrical hazards, distribution systems, power plants and related electrical equipment. Review of fire fighting practices around energized equipment, as well as do's and don'ts in dealing with electricity. High voltage electrical demonstration.	
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 16 and up	
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Handouts will be provided	
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access	
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b><i>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</i></b>	\$ 0.00
	<b><i>In State:</i></b>	\$ 40.00
	<b><i>Out of State:</i></b>	\$ 80.00

<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
March 03, 2025 Monday 7PM-10PM Preregistration Deadline February 24, 2025	740.500	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
October 06, 2025 Monday 7PM-10PM Preregistration Deadline September 30, 2025	740.501	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown

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<b>Existing Building Code Overview</b>	<b>1.5 Hours</b>
<p>This course is designed to provide an overview of the International Existing Building Codes (IEBC) for inspectors or plans examiners. The topics of discussion include fire detection and notification systems, fire suppression systems, and means of egress for an existing building when alterations, additions, and/or change of occupancy occur. This course will follow the latest edition of the International Existing Building Codes (IEBC) including the layout of the code manual to understand how to reference codes properly. Successful completion of the program requires proficiency demonstration in a multiple-choice examination.</p>	

**Prerequisites:** Age 18 and up, Experience in use of Building and/or Fire Codes for enforcement  
**RECOMMENDED:** *Fire Inspector 1 (NFPA 1031) Professional Certification (IFSAC and/or ProBoard) OR PA Uniformed Construction Code Certification or equivalent*

<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Handouts will be provided	
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access	
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>	\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>	\$ 30.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>	\$ 60.00

<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
February 20 thru March 15, 2025 Preregistration Deadline March 13, 2025	1069.500	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
May 20 thru June 15, 2025 Preregistration Deadline May 13, 2025	1069.501	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
August 20 thru September 15, 2025 Preregistration Deadline August 13, 2025	1069.502	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
November 20 thru December 15, 2025 Preregistration Deadline November 13, 2025	1069.503	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)

<b>Fire &amp; Emergency Services Instructor 1 Professional Certification (NFPA 1041)</b>	<b>40 Hours</b>
<p>This program will provide the student with knowledge and skills needed to present training programs in an organized and professional manner within the emergency services spectrum. Emphasis is placed on professional delivery, organization, and methodologies of teaching. Students will develop a lesson plans, curriculum presentations, and evaluation tools. This course is tested to NFPA 1041 Standard, to the Fire &amp; Emergency Services Instructor 1 Level through the ProBoard. Successful completion of the program requires proficiency demonstration in written/delivery practical skills and a multiple-choice examination.</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> <i>This course DOES NOT include the PA State Fire Academy's EMLL.</i></p>	

**Prerequisites:** Age 18 and up  
**Required Textbook(s):** *IFSTA Fire and Emergency Service Instructor 9<sup>th</sup> Edition; see page 22 for additional information.*

<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access	
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>	\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>	\$ 175.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>	\$ 550.00

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January 27, 29, 31, February 03, 05, & 07, 2025 Mon/Wed/Fri 8AM-11AM and 12PM-3PM Preregistration Deadline January 20, 2025	656.500	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
July 29, 31, August 02, 05, 07, 09, 12, 14, & 16, 2025 Tues/Thurs 7PM-10PM & Sat 8AM-11AM and 12PM-3PM Preregistration Deadline July 22, 2025	656.501	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)

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<b>Fire &amp; Emergency Services Instructor 1 Professional Certification (NFPA 1041) with Educational Methodology for Local Level Instructors (EMLL)</b>	<b>40 Hours</b>	
	<p>This program will provide the student with knowledge and skills needed to present training programs in an organized and professional manner within the emergency services spectrum. Emphasis is placed on professional delivery, organization, and methodologies of teaching. Students will develop a lesson plans, curriculum presentations, and evaluation tools. This program follows the standards as defined in NFPA 1041 – Fire &amp; Emergency Services Instructor 1 and the PA State Fire Academy – Office of the Fire Commissioner requirements. This course is tested to NFPA 1041 Standard, to the Fire &amp; Emergency Services Instructor 1 Level through the ProBoard. Successful completion of the program requires proficiency demonstration in written/delivery practical skills and a multiple-choice examination.</p> <p><i>NOTE: Per PA State Fire Academy EMLL can only be delivered Face to Face at this time.</i></p>	
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up	
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>IFSTA Fire and Emergency Service Instructor 9<sup>th</sup> Edition; see page 22 for additional information.</i>	
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Laptop Computer	
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>	\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>	\$ 175.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>	\$ 550.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
January 27, 29, February 02, 03, 05, 10, 12, & 16, 2025 Mon/Wed 7PM-11PM & Sun 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline January 20, 2025	250.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon
September 09, 11, 13, 16, 18, 23, 25, & 27, 2025 Tues/Thurs 7PM-11PM & Sat 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline September 01, 2025	250.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown

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<b>Fire &amp; Emergency Services Instructor 2 Professional Certification (NFPA 1041)</b>	<b>40 Hours</b>
<p>This program will provide the student with knowledge and skills needed to develop organized and effective training programs. The student will develop lesson plans, presentations, and evaluation and assessment tools for a high-hazard training course, as part of this program. This program addresses methodology of teaching and learning, risk management principles and evaluation and testing strategies. This course is tested to NFPA 1041 Standard, to the Fire &amp; Emergency Services Instructor 2 Level through the ProBoard. Successful completion of the program requires proficiency demonstration in written/delivery practical skills and a multiple-choice examination.</p>	
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up; Fire & Emergency Services Instructor 1 Professional Certification
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>IFSTA Fire and Emergency Service Instructor 9<sup>th</sup> Edition; see page 22 for additional information.</i>
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b> \$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b> \$ 175.00
	<b>Out of State:</b> \$ 550.00

<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
February 17, 19, 21, 24, 26, & 28, 2025 Mon/Wed/Fri 8AM-11AM and 12PM-3PM Preregistration Deadline February 10, 2025	188.500	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
April 01, 03, 05, 08, 10, 15, 17, & 19, 2025 Tues/Thurs 7PM-10PM & Sat 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline March 23, 2025	188.501	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
August 19, 23, 26, 28, September 02, 04, 09, & 13, 2025 Tues/Thurs 7PM-10PM & Sat 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline August 12, 2025	188.502	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
September 15, 17, 19, 22, 24, & 26, 2025 Mon/Wed/Fri 8AM-11AM and 12PM-3PM Preregistration Deadline September 08, 2025	188.503	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)

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<b>Fire &amp; Emergency Services Instructor 3 Professional Certification (NFPA 1041)</b>	<b>40 Hours</b>	
	<p>This course continues to reinforce the job performance requirements of Fire Service Instructor; however, begins the progression to an administrative level. Through classroom sessions, research assignments, and practical fieldwork, this course will provide students an understanding of the skills and knowledge required to function effectively as an administrative level fire instructor. The course will challenge students to develop and implement curricula to meet training demands, trends, and applicable standards. Subjects to be covered include: leadership, human resources, administration, program and curriculum development, instructional and program management strategies, and needs-analysis development and assessment strategies. This course is tested to NFPA 1041 Standard, to the Fire &amp; Emergency Services Instructor 3 Level through the ProBoard. Successful completion of the program requires proficiency demonstration in written/delivery practical skills and a multiple-choice examination.</p>	
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up; Fire & Emergency Services Instructor 2 Professional Certification	
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>IFSTA Fire and Emergency Service Instructor 9<sup>th</sup> Edition; see page 22 for additional information.</i>	
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access	
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>	\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>	\$ 175.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>	\$ 550.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
May 06, 08, 13, 15, 20, & 22, 2025 Tues/Thurs 8AM-11AM and 12PM-3PM Preregistration Deadline April 30, 2025	655.500	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)

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<b>Fire &amp; Emergency Services Standard Operating Procedures</b>	<b>6 Hours</b>	
	<p>The goal of this program is to provide emergency services leadership with an understanding of the principles and practices of developing standard operating procedures. Participants will examine roles and functions of standard operating procedures; needs assessment process; development and implementation processes; and ongoing maintenance. This program is designed to give the emergency services leader the necessary skills to understand the many requirements for maintaining procedures. Designed to be a stand-alone course, the information presented will provide foundational knowledge for pursuing advanced fire company office certification.</p>	
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 16 and up	
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>None</i>	
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access	
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>	\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>	\$ 60.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>	\$ 120.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
March 10 thru April 05, 2025 Preregistration Deadline March 03, 2025	1059.500	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
June 10 thru July 05, 2025 Preregistration Deadline June 03, 2025	1059.501	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
September 10 thru October 05, 2025 Preregistration Deadline September 03, 2025	1059.502	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
December 10, 2025 thru January 05, 2026 Preregistration Deadline December 03, 2025	1059.503	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)

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<b>Fire Company Officer 1 Professional Certification (NFPA 1021)</b>	<b>40 Hours</b>
<p>This program will provide the student with the basic knowledge and ability to function safely and effectively as a management component of a fire/rescue organization. Effective management skills and styles will be covered as well as communication models, progressive discipline, philosophy of management, leadership styles, group dynamics, organizational structure, career counseling, Maslow's Theory of Hierarchy, pre-incident planning, scene preservation and investigating techniques, the responsibilities and liabilities of the company officer, and firefighter health and safety. This course is tested to NFPA 1021 Standard, to the Fire Company Officer 1 Level through the ProBoard. Successful completion of the program requires proficiency demonstration in written practical skills and a multiple-choice examination.</p>	
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up; Fire Fighter 2 Professional Certification, and Fire & Emergency Services Instructor 1 Professional Certification
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>IFSTA, Fire &amp; Emergency Services Company Officer, 6<sup>th</sup> Edition see page 22 for additional information.</i>
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b> \$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b> \$ 175.00
	<b>Out of State:</b> \$ 550.00

<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
March 03, 05, 07, 10, 12, & 14, 2025 Mon/Wed/Fri 8AM-11AM and 12PM-3PM Preregistration Deadline February 24, 2025	645.500	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
March 04, 06, 08, 11, 13, 15, 18, 20, & 22, 2025 Tues/Thurs 7PM-10PM & Sat 8AM-11AM and 12PM-3PM Preregistration Deadline February 25, 2025	645.501	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
August 05, 07, 09, 12, 14, 16, 19, 21, & 23, 2025 Tues/Thurs 7PM-10PM & Sat 8AM-11AM and 12PM-3PM Preregistration Deadline July 28, 2025	645.502	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
September 22, 24, 26, 29, October 01, & 03, 2025 Mon/Wed/Fri 8AM-11AM and 12PM-3PM Preregistration Deadline September 15, 2025	645.503	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)

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<b>Fire Company Officer 2 Professional Certification (NFPA 1021)</b>	40	Hours	
<p>This course continues to reinforce the job performance requirements of Fire Company Officer 1 program, while examining critical issues in leadership, human resources, instructing, community interaction, and finances. Topics will include basic investigation techniques, operational plans, and communicating in the written medium. Effective management skills and styles will be covered as well as effective communications, progressive discipline, philosophy of management, organizational skills, career counseling, planning, inspections and emergency management. This course is tested to NFPA 1021 Standard, to the Fire Company Officer 2 Level through the ProBoard. Successful completion of the program requires proficiency demonstration in written practical skills and a multiple-choice examination.</p>			
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up; Fire Company Officer 1 Professional Certification and Fire & Emergency Services Instructor 1 Professional Certification		
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>IFSTA, Fire &amp; Emergency Services Company Officer, 6<sup>th</sup> Edition see page 22 for additional information.</i>		
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access		
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>		\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>		\$ 175.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>		\$ 550.00

<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
March 24, 26, 28, 31, April 02, & 04, 2025 Mon/Wed/Fri 8AM-11AM & 12PM-3PM Preregistration Deadline March 17, 2025	646.500	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
April 01, 03, 05, 08, 10, 12, 15, 17, & 19, 2025 Tues/Thurs 7PM-10PM & Sat 8AM-11AM and 12PM-3PM Preregistration Deadline March 25, 2025	646.501	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
September 09, 11, 13, 16, 18, 20, 23, 25, & 27, 2025 Tues/Thurs 7PM-10PM & Sat 8AM-11AM & 12PM-3PM Preregistration Deadline September 02, 2025	646.502	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
October 13, 15, 17, 20, 22, & 24, 2025 Mon/Wed/Fri 8AM-11AM & 12PM-3PM Preregistration Deadline October 06, 2025	646.503	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)

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## ***Command / Management Programs and Certifications***

<b>Fire Company Officer 3 Professional Certification (NFPA 1021)</b>	40 Hours
<p>This course continues to reinforce the job performance requirements of Fire Company Officer 2; however, begins the progression to an administrative level officer. Through educational sessions and practical fieldwork, this course will give those students an understanding of the skills and knowledge required and the ability to function safely and effectively as an administrative level company officer. Subjects to be covered include: leadership, budget, injury prevention, human resources, community relations, emergency service administration, emergency services delivery, fire inspection and safety planning, and emergency management. This course is tested to NFPA 1021 Standard, to the Fire Company Officer 3 Level through the ProBoard. Successful completion of the program requires proficiency demonstration in written practical skills and a multiple-choice examination.</p> <p><i>This certification can earn you 3 credits towards your Fire Science Degree or Academic Certificate through Bucks County Community College, see page 83 for more information.</i></p>	
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up; Fire Company Officer 2 Professional Certification
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>IFSTA, Chief Officer, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition see page 22 for additional information.</i>
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b> \$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b> \$ 175.00
	<b>Out of State:</b> \$ 550.00

<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
April 29, May 01, 03, 06, 08, 10, 13, 15, & 17, 2025 Tues/Thurs 7PM-10PM & Sat 8AM-11AM and 12PM-3PM Preregistration Deadline April 22, 2025	647.500	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
May 05, 07, 09, 12, 14, & 16, 2025 Mon/Wed/Fri 8AM-11AM and 12PM-3PM Preregistration Deadline April 28, 2025	647.501	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
October 07, 09, 11, 14, 16, 18, 21, 23, & 25, 2025 Tues/Thurs 7PM-10PM & Sat 8AM-11AM and 12PM-3PM Preregistration Deadline September 30, 2025	647.502	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
November 03, 05, 07, 10, 12, & 14, 2025 Mon/Wed/Fri 8AM-11AM and 12PM-3PM Preregistration Deadline October 27, 2025	647.503	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)

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<b>Fire Company Officer 4 Professional Certification (NFPA 1021)</b>	<b>40 Hours</b>
<p>This course is the highest currently attainable in the officer series and continues the progression of an administrative level officer. Through educational presentations, writing assignments, and independent practical fieldwork, this course will give those students an understanding of the skills and knowledge required to function safely and effectively as an upper management level company officer. Topics include: Human Resources, Labor/Management Relations, Professional Development Planning, Employee Assistance Programs, Elements of Supervision and Management, Administration Long-range Planning, Community and Governmental Relations, Education &amp; Training Plans, Emergency Management Planning, and Risk Management &amp; Workplace Safety. This program is writing and research intensive and requires a significant amount of time beyond the classroom sessions to successfully complete the program. This course is tested to NFPA 1021 Standard, to the Fire Company Officer 4 Level through the ProBoard. Successful completion of the program requires proficiency demonstration in written practical skills and a multiple-choice examination.</p>	
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up; Fire Company Officer 3 Professional Certification
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>IFSTA, Chief Officer, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition see page 22 for additional information.</i>
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b><i>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</i></b> \$ 0.00
	<b><i>In State:</i></b> \$ 175.00
	<b><i>Out of State:</i></b> \$ 550.00

<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
June 03, 05, 07, 10, 12, 14, 17, 19, & 21, 2025 Tues/Thus 7PM-10PM & Sat 8AM-11AM and 12PM-3PM Preregistration Deadline May 27, 2025	444.500	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
June 09, 11, 13, 16, 18, & 20, 2025 Mon/Wed/Fri 8AM-11AM and 12PM-3PM Preregistration Deadline June 02, 2025	444.501	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
November 04, 06, 08, 11, 13, 15, 18, 20, & 22, 2025 Tues/Thurs 7PM-10PM & Sat 8AM-11AM and 12PM-3PM Preregistration Deadline October 28, 2025	444.502	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
December 01, 03, 05, 08, 10, & 12, 2025 Mon/Wed/Fri 8AM-11AM and 12PM-3PM Preregistration Deadline November 24, 2025	444.503	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)

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<b>Fire Company Officer Role in Local Emergency Management</b>	<b>4 Hours</b>
<p>This training program is intended to provide the fire company officer with an understanding of their role in local emergency management. This course provides an overview of the foundations of emergency management, including mitigation, prevention, preparedness, response, and recovery and associated responsibilities of the fire company officer. Additional topics of discussion include interface with the Emergency Operations Center and the task of Public Information Officer.</p>	
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 16 and up
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	None
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b> \$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b> \$ 40.00
	<b>Out of State:</b> \$ 80.00

<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
January 10 thru February 05, 2025 Preregistration Deadline January 03, 2025	1057.500	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
April 10 thru May 05, 2025 Preregistration Deadline April 03, 2025	1057.501	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
July 10 thru August 05, 2025 Preregistration Deadline July 03, 2025	1057.502	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
October 10 thru November 05, 2025 Preregistration Deadline October 03, 2025	1057.503	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)

<b>Fire Department Safety Officer – Health and Safety Officer Professional Certification (NFPA 1521)</b>	<b>24 Hours</b>
<p>The role of the Health and Safety Officer in policy and procedure issues that affect the health and safety of emergency responders. Risk analysis, wellness, program management, and other occupational safety issues are the main emphasis of the course. The target audience is all individuals, and especially management-level personnel who have department-level health and safety responsibilities (such as planning and implementation) and organizational representatives who have active involvement in such activities. This course is tested to NFPA 1521 Standard, to the Fire Department Safety Officer – Health and Safety Officer Level through the ProBoard. Successful completion of the program requires proficiency demonstration in written practical skills and a multiple-choice examination.</p> <p><i>This certification along with <a href="#">Fire Department Incident Safety Officer Professional Certification (NFPA 1521)</a> can earn you 3 credits towards your Fire Science Degree or Academic Certificate through Bucks County Community College, see page 83 for more information.</i></p>	
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up, Fire Company Officer 1 Recommended
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>IFSTA, Fire &amp; Emergency Services Safety Officer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, see page 22 for additional information.</i>
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b> \$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b> \$ 175.00
	<b>Out of State:</b> \$ 550.00

<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
February 04, 06, 11, & 13, 2025 Tues/Thurs 8AM-11AM and 12PM-3PM Preregistration Deadline January 30, 2025	844.500	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
September 16, 18, 23, 25, 30, & October 02, 2025 Tues/Thurs 7PM-11PM Preregistration Deadline September 09, 2025	844.501	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)

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<b>Fire Department Safety Officer – Incident Safety Officer Professional Certification (NFPA 1521)</b>	<b>32 Hours</b>
<p>The Safety Officer’s responsibilities fall into two clear cut categories: those associated with responding at the incident scene, and those associated with managing the day to day affairs of the department. The Incident Safety Officer (ISO) course is focused on the incident and the role the Safety Officer plays as part of the Command Staff. The target audience is Company Officers (CO) and Lead Firefighters who are experienced in firefighter safety issues and are familiar with an Incident Command System, hazardous materials management, suppression strategies and tactics, and technical rescue related emergency operations. The program provides the student with the decision-making process and skills required to recognize unsafe acts and conditions and take appropriate corrective actions. This course is tested to NFPA 1521 Standard, to the Fire Department Safety Officer – Incident Safety Officer Level through the ProBoard. Successful completion of the program requires proficiency demonstration in written practical skills and a multiple-choice examination.</p> <p><i>This certification along with <a href="#">Fire Department Health and Safety Officer Professional Certification (NFPA 1521)</a> can earn you 3 credits towards your Fire Science Degree or Academic Certificate through Bucks County Community College, see page 83 for more information.</i></p>	

<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up, Fire Company Officer 1 Professional Certification
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>IFSTA, Fire &amp; Emergency Services Safety Officer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, see page 22 for additional information.</i>
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b> \$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b> \$ 175.00
	<b>Out of State:</b> \$ 550.00

<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
April 08, 10, 15, & 17, 2025 Tues/Thurs 8AM-12PM and 1PM-5PM Preregistration Deadline April 01, 2025	887.500	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
October 21, 23, 25, 28, 30, & November 01, 2025 Tues/Thurs 7PM-11PM and Saturday 8AM-12PM and 1PM-5PM Preregistration Deadline October 14, 2025	887.501	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)

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<b>Fire Inspector 1 Professional Certification (NFPA 1031)</b>	<b>40 Hours</b>
<p>This is a basic course which involves research, interpretation of codes, implementing policy, testifying at legal proceedings, and creating forms and job aids, according to the NFPA job performance requirements for Fire Inspector 1. The course of instruction includes code enforcement inspections and analyses of new and existing structures and properties for construction, occupancy, fire protection, exposures, field verification of shop drawings, plans, and construction documents to ensure that they meet the intent of applicable codes and standards for fire and life safety. This course is tested to NFPA 1031 Standard, to the Fire Inspector 1 Level through the ProBoard. Successful completion of the program requires proficiency demonstration in written practical skills and a multiple-choice examination.</p>	
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up, Hazardous Materials Awareness Professional Certification
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>IFSTA, Fire Inspector and Code Enforcement, 8<sup>th</sup> Edition, will provide access to IFC/IBC needed for class, see page 22 for additional information.</i>
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b><i>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</i></b> \$ 0.00
	<b><i>In State:</i></b> \$ 175.00
	<b><i>Out of State:</i></b> \$ 550.00

<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
January 13, 16, 18, 20, 23, 25, 27, 30, & February 01, 2025 Mon/Thurs 7PM-11PM & Sat 9AM-1PM Preregistration Deadline January 06, 2025	617.500	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
February 24 thru 28, 2025 Mon thru Fri 9AM-6PM Preregistration Deadline February 10, 2025	617.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon
September 22, 25, 27, 29, October 02, 04, 06, 09, & 11, 2025 Mon/Thurs 7PM-11PM & Sat 9AM-1PM Preregistration Deadline September 15, 2025	617.501	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)

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<b>Fire Inspector 2 Professional Certification (NFPA 1031)</b>	40	Hours	
	<p>This is an advanced course which involves research, interpretation of codes, implementing policy, preparing testimony for legal proceedings, and creating forms and job aids, according to the current NFPA 1031 Job Performance Requirements for Fire Inspector 2. The course of instruction includes: code enforcement inspections; analyses of new and existing structures and properties for construction type and occupancy classifications; fire protection systems, hazards and exposure concerns; field verification of shop drawings, plans, and construction documents. This program is designed to provide the student with the knowledge and skill sets to ensure that through inspection, structures/buildings meet the intent of applicable fire and life safety codes and standards. This course is tested to NFPA 1031 Standard, to the Fire Inspector 2 Level through the ProBoard. Successful completion of the program requires proficiency demonstration in written practical skills and a multiple-choice examination.</p> <p><i>This certification can earn you 3 credits towards your Fire Science Degree or Academic Certificate through Bucks County Community College, see page 83 for more information.</i></p>		
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up; Fire Inspector 1 Professional Certification		
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>IFSTA, Fire Inspector and Code Enforcement, 8<sup>th</sup> Edition, will provide access to IFC/IBC needed for class, see page 22 for additional information.</i>		
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access		
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>		\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>		\$ 175.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>		\$ 550.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>	
March 03, 06, 10, 13, 17, 20, 24, & 27, 2025 Mon/Thurs 7PM-11PM Preregistration Deadline January 29, 2025	662.500	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)	
March 31 thru April 04, 2025 Mon thru Fri 9AM-6PM Preregistration Deadline March 17, 2025	662.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon	
November 03, 06, 10, 13, 17, 20, 24, December 01, 2025 Mon/Thurs 7PM-11PM Preregistration Deadline October 27, 2025	662.501	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)	
<p><b>NOTE:</b> Certification Written Examination will be conducted outside of the listed sessions for virtual courses and at the conclusion of the class for face-to-face courses. During the virtual class you will be provided with specific information on how to coordinate the written exam at our facilities, a pre-determined test site within PA, or a third party approved site inside or outside of PA. The student may be responsible for any third-party agency testing fees if applicable.</p>			

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<b>Fire Investigator Professional Certification (NFPA 1033)</b>	<b>80 Hours</b>	
	<p>This course is designed for fire investigators, police officers, and company-level officers with a desire to learn more about determining the origin and cause of fire. Students should be prepared for an intense week of training and practical skills application. Topics covered include: determining the point of origin, burn patterns, evidence collection and analysis, interviewing techniques, and court procedure and testifying.</p> <p><i>This certification can earn you 6 credits towards your Fire Science Degree or Academic Certificate through Bucks County Community College, see page 83 for more information.</i></p>	
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	<p>Age 18 and up; High School Diploma or GED; PA State Police Background Check (less than one year old, which you the student are required to purchase and submit); Hazardous Materials Awareness Professional Certification (IFSAC or ProBoard); Full resume outlining beyond entry level experience, fire investigation experience, and showing a minimum of five (5) years in a Fire Suppression Organization or Law Enforcement Agency, building construction and basic electrical safety knowledge, One (1) letter of recommendation from the Chief of the Fire or Law Enforcement Agency currently or most recently affiliated with.</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> All entrance requirements MUST be submitted at time of registration of the course to ensure your entrance into the program. Failure to submit the information will prevent your registration.</p>	
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<p>IFSTA, Fire Investigator, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition and the current NFPA 921 Standard, see page 22 for additional information.</p>	
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	<p>Computer with audio/video capability and internet access</p>	
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>	\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>	\$ 950.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>	\$ 1,650.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
June 02 thru 13, 2025 Monday thru Friday 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline May 05, 2025	793.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon
<b>Fire Service Risk Management</b>	<b>16 Hours</b>	
	<p>The goal of this program is to provide emergency services leadership with an understanding of the principles and practices of risk management as it relates to public safety. Participants will examine types of risks and the three-levels of risk management: Community, Organizational, and Operational Risk Management. This program is designed to give the emergency services leader the necessary skills to understand the concept of risk and risk management. Designed to be a stand-alone course, the information presented will provide foundational knowledge for pursuing advanced fire company office certification.</p>	
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	<p>Age 16 and up</p>	
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<p>None</p>	
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	<p>Computer with audio/video capability and internet access</p>	
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>	\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>	\$ 115.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>	\$ 230.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
February 10 thru March 05, 2025 Preregistration Deadline February 03, 2025	1058.500	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
May 10 thru June 05, 2025 Preregistration Deadline May 03, 2025	1058.501	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
August 10 thru September 05, 2025 Preregistration Deadline August 03, 2025	1058.502	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
November 10 thru December 05, 2025 Preregistration Deadline November 03, 2025	1058.503	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)



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<b>Introduction to Fire Inspector Safety</b>	<b>2.5 Hours</b>
	This course provides an overview of the important safety issues and hazards that fire inspectors will encounter during fire and life safety inspections. This introduction program and scenarios are ideal for all fire inspectors regardless of experience level.

<b>Prerequisites:</b>	<i>Age 18 and up, Fire Inspector Training</i>	
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Handouts will be provided	
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access	
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b><i>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</i></b>	\$ 0.00
	<b><i>In State:</i></b>	\$ 30.00
	<b><i>Out of State:</i></b>	\$ 60.00

<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
January 20 thru February 15, 2025 Preregistration Deadline January 13, 2025	1070.500	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
April 20 thru May 15, 2025 Preregistration Deadline April 13, 2025	1070.501	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
July 20 thru August 15, 2025 Preregistration Deadline July 13, 2025	1070.502	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
October 20 thru November 15, 2025 Preregistration Deadline October 13, 2025	1070.503	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)

<b>Introduction to Fire Officership (INFO)</b>	<b>16 Hours</b>
	To provide students with an overview of the skills necessary to effectively manage volunteer and career fire organizations. Introduction to Fire Officership will give the student a basic overview of company officer responsibilities, personnel issues, their role in fire ground operations, and the development of a sound and effective administrative and fire ground organizational structure.

<b>Prerequisites:</b>	<i>Age 18 and up, EBM or ELIF or Bucks Basic Fire Academy or FF-1</i>	
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Handouts will be provided	
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access	
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b><i>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</i></b>	\$ 0.00
	<b><i>In State:</i></b>	\$ 115.00
	<b><i>Out of State:</i></b>	\$ 230.00

<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
January 28, 30, February 04, & 06, 2025 Tues/Thurs 7PM-11PM Preregistration Deadline January 21, 2025	226.500	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
July 21, 23, 28, &30, 2025 Mon/Wed 7PM-11PM Preregistration Deadline July 14, 2025	226.501	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)

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<b>Plans Examiner 1 &amp; 2 Professional Certification (NFPA 1031)</b>	<b>40 Hours</b>
<p>This course is designed to provide an overview of the Plans Review process for fire inspectors or plans examiners. The topics of discussion include: plans review; preparation of correspondence and plan review reports; communication with fire inspectors and emergency response personnel; handling of complaints; maintenance of records; participation in legal proceedings; identification of when additional expertise is required; local jurisdiction proceedings; and alternative methods. This course is tested to NFPA 1031 Standard, to the Plans Examiner 1 &amp; 2 Level through the ProBoard. Successful completion of the program requires proficiency demonstration in written practical skills and a multiple-choice examination.</p> <p><i>This certification can earn you 3 credits towards your Fire Science Degree or Academic Certificate through Bucks County Community College, see page 83 for more information.</i></p>	

<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up, Fire Inspector 1 Recommended
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>IFSTA Plans Examiner for Fire and Emergency Services 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, will provide access to IFC/IBC needed for class, see page 22 for additional information.</i>
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b> \$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b> \$ 175.00
	<b>Out of State:</b> \$ 550.00

<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
April 28 thru May 02, 2025 Mon thru Fri 9AM-6PM Preregistration Deadline April 14, 2025	601.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon

<b>Preparation for Initial Company Operations (PICO)</b>	<b>16 Hours</b>
<p>This course is designed to prepare the student to function as a company officer, by developing the skills required to safely and successfully managing company tactical operations at structural fires. The first in the series of programs designed to meet the needs of fire officers and crew leaders with responsibilities to manage the operations of one or more companies in structural firefighting operations. This course will provide a basic foundation for the management of one or more companies operating at a structure fire emergency. The focus of these five modules is a review of basic concepts and development of proficiency in critical skills. Key content includes Roles and Responsibilities, Readiness, Communication, Building Construction and Fire Behavior Factors, and Pre-incident Preparation.</p>	

<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up, EBM or ELIF or Bucks Basic Fire Academy or FF-1
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Handouts will be provided
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b> \$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b> \$ 115.00
	<b>Out of State:</b> \$ 230.00

<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
February 25, 27, March 04, & 06, 2025 Tues/Thurs 7PM-11PM Preregistration Deadline February 17, 2025	380.500	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
August 18, 20, 25, & 27, 2025 Mon/Wed 7PM-11PM Preregistration Deadline August 11, 2025	380.501	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)

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<b>Public Fire and Life Safety Educator 1 &amp; 2 Professional Certification (NFPA 1035)</b>	<b>40 Hours</b>
<p>This course is designed to provide the public educator with the knowledge and skills needed to successfully perform as a fire and life safety educator as addressed in NFPA 1035. For those who practice the multidiscipline profession of fire and life safety educator (including uniformed fire service personnel and other professionals), topics include fire behavior, community assessment, injury prevention and juvenile fire-setting. The student will also develop presentation skills and learn how to formulate public education programs. This course is tested to NFPA 1035 Standard, to the Public Fire and Life Safety Educator 1 &amp; 2 Level through the ProBoard. Successful completion of the program requires proficiency demonstration in written practical skills and a multiple-choice examination.</p> <p><i>This certification can earn you 3 credits towards your Fire Science Degree or Academic Certificate through Bucks County Community College, see page 83 for more information.</i></p>	

<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up, General knowledge of Fire and Life Safety
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>IFSTA Fire and Life Safety Educator 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, see page 22 for additional information.</i>
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b> \$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b> \$ 175.00
	<b>Out of State:</b> \$ 550.00

<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
March 24, 29, 31, April 05, 07, & 19, 2025 Mon 7PM-11PM & Sat 8AM-12PM and 1PM-5PM Preregistration Deadline March 17, 2025	794.500	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
September 16, 18, 23, 25, 30, & October 02, 2025 Tues/Thurs 8AM-11AM and 12PM-3PM Preregistration Deadline September 09, 2025	794.501	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)

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<b>Strategy and Tactics for Initial Company Operations (STICO)</b>	<b>16 Hours</b>
<p>This course is designed to prepare the student to function as a company officer, by developing the skills required to safely and successfully managing company tactical operations at structural fires. The third in the series of programs designed to meet the needs of fire officers and crew leaders with responsibilities to manage the operations of one or more companies in structural firefighting operations. The course discusses in depth the management skills needed as well identifying the processes a Company Officer needs to do to accomplish Fire Confinement, Exposure Protection and Extinguishment while taking into consideration Rescue, Ventilation Support and Overhaul. Water Supply, Fixed Systems and Salvage are also discussed.</p>	
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up, <a href="#">Decision Making for Initial Company Officer (DMICO)</a>
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Handouts will be provided
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b> \$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b> \$ 115.00
	<b>Out of State:</b> \$ 230.00

<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
April 22, 24, 29, & May 01, 2025 Tues/Thurs 7PM-11PM Preregistration Deadline April 15, 2025	975.500	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
October 20, 22, 27, & 29, 2025 Mon/Wed 7PM-11PM Preregistration Deadline October 13, 2025	975.501	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)

## ***Command / Management Programs and Certifications***

<b>Test Taking 101</b>	3.5 Hours	
<p>This course is designed to provide students with information that will assist them in taking a variety of tests in fire and emergency services. Topics will include: reasons for evaluations, building testing tools, oral testing, written testing, multiple choice testing, true/false testing, matching tests, common pitfalls, and trending.</p>		
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 14 and up	
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Handouts will be provided	
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	None	
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b> \$ 0.00	
	<b>In State:</b> \$ 40.00	
	<b>Out of State:</b> \$ 80.00	
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
January 12, 2025 Sunday 8AM-11:30AM Preregistration Deadline January 05, 2025	949.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon
January 18, 2025 Saturday 8AM-11:30AM Preregistration Deadline January 11, 2025	949.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown
August 09, 2025 Saturday 8AM-11:30AM Preregistration Deadline August 02, 2025	949.501	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown
August 17, 2025 Sunday 8AM-11:30AM Preregistration Deadline August 10, 2025	949.602	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon

## ***Rescue Programs and Certifications***

<b>Confined Space Rescue (CSR)</b>	<b>16 Hours</b>	
<p>Through classroom sessions and practical fieldwork, this course will give the student the ability to function safely and effectively as a member of a rescue team, operating at the scene of a confined space emergency. The subjects to be covered include confined space entry standard, safety procedures, definitions, rigging techniques, rescue techniques, and practical application through integrated exercises. This program is designed to follow the OSHA Regulation 29 CFR 1910.146.</p>		
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up, Persons attending this program should have experience, expertise, or training in subjects such as respiratory protection equipment including SCBA and/or rope rescue or rigging techniques, OR <a href="#">Rope / High Angle Rescue II (RORA)</a> and Respiratory Protection 2 (REPR)	
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Handouts will be provided	
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Helmet with chin strap, Eye Protection (face-shield not acceptable), Work Clothing or Coveralls, Leather Gloves, Work Shoes/boots	
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>	\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>	\$ 140.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>	\$ 255.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
June 07 & 08, 2025 Sat/Sun 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline May 30, 2025	324.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown
<b>Confined Space Technical Rescuer at the Awareness, Operations, and Technician Level Professional Certification (NFPA 1006)</b>	<b>32 Hours</b>	
<p>This program is designed to enhance the student's ability to perform critical skill sets in the field of technical rescue for confined space rescue. During this course, students will review technical rescue theories, techniques, and challenges to accurately and safely execute the skill sets required for professional certification. Topics include: scene management, mechanical advantage systems, rope management, anchor systems, rescue knots, size-up considerations, hazard control, permit &amp; non-permit required confined space areas, OSHA and NFPA applicable standards and laws, and patient care. This course is designed for the experienced rescuer with a strong working knowledge of technical rescue in accordance with NFPA 1006 Confined Space Awareness, Operations and Technician and 1670.</p>		
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up; Rope Technical Rescuer Awareness and Operations Levels Professional Certification (IFSAC or Pro Board); Hazardous Materials Awareness Professional Certification (IFSAC or Pro Board); Non-Expired First Aid (front and back); Non-Expired CPR (front and back)	
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>CMC, Confined Space Entry and Rescue Manual 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition; see page 22 for additional information.</i>	
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Helmet with chin strap, Eye Protection (face-shield not acceptable), Work Clothing or Coveralls, Leather Gloves, Work Shoes/boots	
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>	\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>	\$ 650.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>	\$ 1,150.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
June 23 thru 26, 2025 Mon thru Thurs 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline June 09, 2025	1047.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown

## ***Rescue Programs and Certifications***

<b>Rapid Intervention Team Advanced Training</b>	16	<b>Hours</b>	
	This course will review of the Basic R.I.T. Team Exercises including size up, new techniques for locating and removing trapped and injured firefighters, information regarding recent fire fighter fatalities, and recent R.I.T. survival accounts, as well as, current R.I.T. developments. Review of forcible entry techniques including forcible entry equipment with special emphasis on building collapse. Various practical evaluation scenarios of fire fighter(s) in trouble will be conducted an under actual fire conditions will also be included.		
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up, <a href="#">Rapid Intervention Team Basic Training</a>		
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Handouts will be provided		
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Turn out gear, SCBA		
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>		\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>		\$ 135.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>		\$ 250.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>		<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
June 21 & 22, 2025 Sat/Sun 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline June 14, 2025		770.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown
<b>Rapid Intervention Team Basic Training</b>	16	<b>Hours</b>	
	This course is designed to provide firefighters with the knowledge and skill objectives to safely perform rescue techniques to remove trapped or lost firefighters during deteriorating suppression activities. This course is for firefighters who are members of a RIT, and tasked with extrication responsibilities during structure fires. Included in this course: RIT Team roles and responsibilities, evaluation of case studies, function during suppression activities, lifting and moving techniques, extrication support needs, team building skills, and size-up techniques and structure layout. The fire fighter will also participate in “live” scenario based evaluations involving a down/trapped firefighter.		
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up, EBM or ELIF or Bucks Basic Fire Academy or FF-1		
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Handouts will be provided		
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Turn out gear, SCBA		
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>		\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>		\$ 140.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>		\$ 255.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>		<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
April 05 & 06, 2025 Sat/Sun 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline March 29, 2025		760.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon
October 04 & 05, 2025 Sat/Sun 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline September 27, 2025		760.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown
<b>Rope / High Angle Rescue 1 (RORE)</b>	16	<b>Hours</b>	
	Students in this course will be introduced to the various types of rope and related rescue equipment. Students will be training in tying of the basic knots and hitches used in rope rescue, basic rappelling techniques, tie-offs, self-rescue, basic litter tie-ins, and basic litter handling skills. Much of the program is hands-on and time is allotted for practice in order to build proficiency.		
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up, Basic training as an Emergency Responder		
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Handouts will be provided		
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Helmet with chin strap, Eye Protection (face-shield not acceptable), Work Clothing or Coveralls, Leather Gloves, Work Shoes/boots		
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>		\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>		\$ 140.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>		\$ 255.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>		<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
April 12 & 13, 2025 Sat/Sun 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline April 05, 2025		340.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown



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<b>Rope / High Angle Rescue 2 (RORA)</b>	16	Hours	
	Students in this course will be re-introduced to the various types of rescue equipment. Students will be trained in; mechanical advantage systems, safeties, basic ascending, basic rappelling technique and tie-offs with a rappel rack, rope changes, and one person rescue. The students will perform a low angle raise and lower evolution simulating patient transport on embankments. Most of the program is hands-on and time is allotted for practice in order to build proficiency.		
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up, <a href="#">Rope / High Angle Rescue 1 (RORE)</a>		
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Handouts will be provided		
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Helmet with chin strap, Eye Protection (face-shield not acceptable), Work Clothing or Coveralls, Leather Gloves, Work Shoes/boots		
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b><i>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</i></b>		\$ 0.00
	<b><i>In State:</i></b>		\$ 140.00
	<b><i>Out of State:</i></b>		\$ 255.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>	
May 17 & 18, 2025 Sat/Sun 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline May 10, 2025	339.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown	
August 09 & 10, 2025 Sat/Sun 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline August 02, 2025	339.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon	
<b>Rope Technical Rescuer at the Awareness, Operations, and Technician Professional Certification (NFPA 1006)</b>	72	Hours	
	This program is designed to enhance the student's ability to perform critical skill sets to meet the intent of NFPA 1670 Rope Rescue Awareness – Operations – Technician in the field of technical rescue. During this course, students will review rope rescue systems, application theories, and high angle challenges to accurately and safely execute the skill sets required for professional certification. Topics include: rescue incident management, technical vs. non-technical rescue considerations, rescue strategies and tactics, resource management, access and removal considerations, hazard identification and control, rope management, ascending and descending systems, rope rescue equipment identification and application, patient removal techniques and selection criteria, basic patient care, packaging, and removal, basic and advanced anchor systems, and applicable OSHA and NFPA laws and standards. This course is designed for the experienced rescuer with a strong working knowledge of technical rescue in accordance with NFPA 1006 and 1670. The course is designed to prepare the rescuer for professional certification testing (written and skills) in accordance with NFPA 1006 Rope Rescue Awareness, Operations and Technician.		
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up; Hazardous Materials Awareness Professional Certification (IFSAC or Pro Board); Non-Expired First Aid (front and back); Non-Expired CPR (front and back)		
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>Jones &amp; Bartlett, Rope Rescue: Principles and Practice 5<sup>th</sup> Edition; see page 22 for additional information.</i>		
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Helmet with chin strap, Eye Protection (face-shield not acceptable), Work Clothing or Coveralls, Leather Gloves, Work Shoes/boots		
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b><i>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</i></b>		\$ 0.00
	<b><i>In State:</i></b>		\$ 850.00
	<b><i>Out of State:</i></b>		\$ 1,500.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>	
April 21 thru May 01, 2025 Mon thru Fri (No Sat/Sun) & Mon thru Thurs 8AM-5PM: Preregistration Deadline April 07, 2025	1430.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown	

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<b>Structural Collapse Technical Rescuer at the Awareness, Operations, and Technician Professional Certification (NFPA 1006)</b>	80	<b>Hours</b>	
	This program is designed to enhance the student's ability to perform critical skill sets to meet the intent of NFPA 1006 Structural Collapse Rescue in the field of technical rescue. During this course, students will review collapse extrication theories, shoring techniques, and challenges to accurately and safely execute the skill sets required for professional certification. Topics include: rescue incident management, collapse types and building construction considerations, extrication strategies and tactics, resource management, stabilization and shoring systems, hazard identification and control, atmospheric monitoring and ventilation methods, search & rescue techniques, collapse equipment identification and application, patient removal methods and selection criteria, basic patient care, packaging, and removal, basic and advanced shoring techniques, and applicable OSHA and NFPA laws and standards. This course is designed for the experienced rescuer with a strong working knowledge of technical rescue in accordance with NFPA 1006 and 1670. The course is designed to prepare the rescuer for professional certification testing (written and skills) in accordance with NFPA 1006 Structural Collapse.		
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up; ; Hazardous Materials Awareness Professional Certification (IFSAC or Pro Board); Non-Expired First Aid (front and back); Non-Expired CPR (front and back)		
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>FEMA National US&amp;R Response System, "Structural Collapse Technician; Urban Search &amp; Rescue Field Operations Guide (FOG), 6th Edition; Technical Rescue for Structural Collapse, IFSTA, 1st Edition; see page 22 for additional information.</i>		
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Helmet with chin strap, Eye Protection (face-shield not acceptable), Work Clothing or Coveralls, Leather Gloves, Work Shoes/boots		
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b><i>Bucks County / TMP Option Silver or Gold:</i></b>		\$ 0.00
	<b><i>Out of County (In State):</i></b>		\$ 1,200.00
	<b><i>Out of State (Non-PA Municipal Responders):</i></b>		\$ 1,900.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>	
October 20 thru 31, 2025 Mon thru Fri 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline September 30, 2025	1440.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown	
<b>Trench Rescue Operations I (TRRE)</b>	16	<b>Hours</b>	
	This course will introduce the student to the knowledges and skills necessary to safely and effectively perform complex rescue operations in collapsed trench excavations. Course work will include practical drills and demonstration in simulated trench excavations.		
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 16 and up, Basic training as an Emergency Responder <i>Recommended: <a href="#">Confined Space Rescue (CSR)</a> and <a href="#">Rope / High Angle Rescue 1 (RORE)</a></i>		
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Handouts will be provided		
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Helmet with chin strap, Eye Protection (face-shield not acceptable), Work Clothing or Coveralls, Leather Gloves, Work Shoes/boots		
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b><i>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</i></b>		\$ 0.00
	<b><i>In State:</i></b>		\$ 165.00
	<b><i>Out of State:</i></b>		\$ 280.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>	
April 05 & 06, 2025 Sat/Sun 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline March 28, 2025	323.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown	

## ***Rescue Programs and Certifications***

<b>Trench Technical Rescuer at the Awareness, Operations, and Technician Professional Certification (NFPA 1006)</b>	48 Hours	<p>This program is designed to enhance the student’s ability to perform critical skill sets to meet the intent of NFPA 1006 Trench Technical Rescuer at the Awareness, Operations, and Technician levels. During this course, students will review trench extrication theories, shoring techniques, and challenges to accurately and safely execute the skill sets required for professional certification. Topics include: rescue incident management, trench configuration and soil types, extrication strategies and tactics, resource management, stabilization and shoring systems, hazard identification and control, shoring panel construction, technical rescue equipment identification and application, patient removal methods and selection criteria, basic patient care, packaging, and removal, basic and advanced shoring techniques, and applicable OSHA and NFPA laws and standards. This course is designed for the experienced rescuer with a strong working knowledge of technical rescue in accordance with NFPA 1006 and 1670. The course is designed to prepare the rescuer for professional certification testing (written and skills) in accordance with NFPA 1006 Trench Rescue.</p>
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up; Rope Technical Rescuer Awareness Levels Professional Certification (IFSAC or Pro Board); Hazardous Materials Awareness Professional Certification (IFSAC or Pro Board); Non-Expired First Aid (front and back); Non-Expired CPR (front and back)	
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>Jones &amp; Bartlett, Trench Rescue: Principles and Practices 4<sup>th</sup> Edition; see page 22 for additional information.</i>	
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Helmet with chin strap, Eye Protection (face-shield not acceptable), Work Clothing or Coveralls, Leather Gloves, Work Shoes/boots	
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b><i>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</i></b> \$ 0.00	
	<b><i>In State:</i></b> \$ 600.00	
	<b><i>Out of State:</i></b> \$ 1,100.00	
<b>Course Meets:</b> June 23 thru 28, 2025 Mon thru Sat 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline June 09, 2025	<b>FSC #:</b> 1450.500	<b>Locations:</b> Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown

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<b>Vehicle Technical Rescuer at the Awareness &amp; Operations Level Professional Certification (NFPA 1006)</b>	48	Hours	
	<p>This program is designed to enhance the student’s ability to perform critical skill sets to meet the intent of NFPA 1006 Vehicle Rescue Awareness and Operations. This course will present vehicle extrication theories, techniques, and challenges that involve common passenger vehicles, to accurately and safely execute the skill sets required for professional certification Awareness and Operations. Topics include: rescue incident management, simple machinery types, extrication strategies and tactics for common passenger vehicles, resource management, stabilization systems, hazard identification and control, technical rescue equipment identification and application, extrication tools, methods, and selection criteria, basic patient care, packaging, and lifting and moving, basic extrication techniques, and applicable OSHA and NFPA laws and standards. This course is designed for the experienced rescuer with a strong working knowledge of technical rescue in accordance with NFPA 1006 and 1670. The course is designed to prepare the rescuer for professional certification testing (written and skills) in accordance with NFPA 1006 Vehicle Rescue Awareness and Operations.</p> <p><b>Special Note:</b> <i>Instructor(s) will be asking students to see if their Department can supply a Rescue Truck for different days of class. It is not required for every student to bring an apparatus.</i></p>		
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 16 and up; Hazardous Materials Awareness Professional Certification (IFSAC or Pro Board); Non-Expired First Aid (front and back); Non-Expired CPR (front and back)		
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>Jones &amp; Bartlett, Vehicle Rescue and Extrication: Principles and Practices Revised 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition; see page 22 for additional information.</i>		
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Turn out gear, Eye Protection		
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>		\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>		\$ 350.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>		\$ 600.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>	
April 21, 23, 26, 27, 28, 30, May 03, & 04, 2025 Mon/Wed 7PM-11PM & Sat/Sun 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline April 14, 2025	728.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown	
September 16, 18, 20, 21, 23, 25, 27, & 28, 2025 Tues/Thurs 7PM-11PM & Sat/Sun 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline September 09, 2025	728.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon	

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<b>Vehicle Technical Rescuer at the Technician Level Professional Certification (NFPA 1006)</b>	40	Hours	
	<p>This program is designed to enhance the student’s ability to perform critical skill sets to meet the intent of NFPA 1006 Vehicle Rescue technician. During this course, students will review advanced vehicle and machinery extrication theories, techniques, and challenges that involve commercial or heavy vehicles, heavy machinery to accurately and safely execute the skill sets required for professional certification Vehicle Rescue Technician. Topics include: rescue incident management, heavy vehicles, complex extrication strategies and tactics for commercial or heavy vehicles, resource management, advanced stabilization systems, multiple uncommon concurrent hazard identification and control, special technical rescue equipment identification and application, specialized extrication tools, methods, and selection criteria, MCI patient care strategies, packaging, and lifting and moving, and applicable OSHA and NFPA laws and standards. This course is designed for the experienced rescuer with a strong working knowledge of technical rescue in accordance with NFPA 1006 and 1670. The course is designed to prepare the rescuer for professional certification testing (written and skills) in accordance with NFPA 1006 Vehicle Rescue Technician.</p> <p><i>Special Note: Instructor(s) will be asking students to see if their Department can supply a Rescue Truck for different days of class. It is not required for every student to bring an apparatus.</i></p>		
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 16 and up, <a href="#">Vehicle Technical Rescuer at the Awareness &amp; Operations Level Professional Certification (NFPA 1006)</a>		
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>Jones &amp; Bartlett, Vehicle Rescue and Extrication: Principles and Practices Revised 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition; see page 22 for additional information.</i>		
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Turn out gear, Eye Protection		
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>		\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>		\$ 350.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>		\$ 625.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>	
June 18, 21, 22, 25, 28, & 29, 2025 Wed 7PM-11PM & Sat/Sun 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline June 11, 2025	729.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown	
October 16, 18, 19, 23, 25, & 26, 2025 Thurs 7PM-11PM & Sat/Sun 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline October 09, 2025	729.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon	

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<b>Carbon Monoxide Detector Response (CORE)</b>	<b>3 Hours</b>	
	The course is a 3 hour lecture program designed to give responders the information needed to effectively and safely respond to incidents involving the known or suspected presence of carbon monoxide; particularly the activation of residential carbon monoxide alarms.	
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 16 & up	
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Handouts will be provided	
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access	
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>	\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>	\$ 40.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>	\$ 80.00
<b>Course Available:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
January 14, 2025 Tuesday 7PM-10PM Preregistration Deadline January 07, 2025	502.500	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
October 02, 2025 Thursday 7PM-10PM Preregistration Deadline September 26, 2025	502.501	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown
October 21, 2025 Tuesday 7PM-10PM Preregistration Deadline October 14, 2025	502.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon
<b>Clandestine Drug Laboratory Awareness for First Responder</b>	<b>3 Hours</b>	
	This program is designed to provide First Responders with the basic recognition and identification skills for clandestine laboratories and the dangers associated with the chemicals used to manufacture illegal drugs. The topics of discussion will include personnel safety when operating at these locations, hazardous materials and wastes produced and required interaction with law enforcement. Participants must be current members of a recognized First Responder agency.	
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 & up	
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	Handouts will be provided	
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access	
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>	\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>	\$ 40.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>	\$ 80.00
<b>Course Available:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
April 28, 2025 Monday 7PM-10PM Preregistration Deadline April 21, 2025	827.500	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)
October 08, 2025 Wednesday 7PM-10PM Preregistration Deadline October 01, 2025	827.501	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)



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<b>Hazardous Materials Awareness</b>	<b>6 Hours</b>
<p>The primary target audiences for this course are the First Responders (fire, rescue, emergency medical, police, etc.) who will witness or discover a hazardous substance/materials release or a terrorist/criminal incident. Students will be trained to initiate an emergency response sequence by notifying the proper authorities of the incident. They shall have sufficient training or have had sufficient experience to objectively demonstrate competency to understand what hazardous substances are, the risks, potential outcomes, the ability to recognize and identify their presence, their role, including site security, safe scene management and how to use the U.S. Department of Transportation (US DOT) Emergency Response Guidebook during a hazardous materials/WMD or a terrorist/criminal emergency. This course will meet the requirements for annual review under 29 CFR 1910.120 and the educational requirements of NFPA 470 standard to the Awareness Level.</p>	
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 14 & up
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>IFSTA, Hazardous Materials for First Responders 6<sup>th</sup> Edition; see page 22 for additional information.</i>
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	None (For Online classes a computer with Internet is needed)
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b> \$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b> \$ 55.00
	<b>Out of State:</b> \$ 110.00

<b>Course Available:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
January 15 thru February 10, 2025 Preregistration Deadline January 08, 2025	2114.502	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
January 20 & 22, 2025 Mon/Wed 7PM-10PM Preregistration Deadline January 13, 2025	2114.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon
January 28 & 30, 2025 Tues/Thurs 7PM-10PM Preregistration Deadline January 21, 2025	2114.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown
February 15 thru March 10, 2025 Preregistration Deadline February 08, 2025	2114.503	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
March 15 thru April 10, 2025 Preregistration Deadline March 08, 2025	2114.504	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
April 15 thru May 10, 2025 Preregistration Deadline April 08, 2025	2114.505	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
May 15 thru June 10, 2025 Preregistration Deadline May 08, 2025	2114.506	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
June 15 thru July 10, 2025 Preregistration Deadline June 08, 2025	2114.507	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
July 15 thru August 10, 2025 Preregistration Deadline July 08, 2025	2114.508	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
August 15 thru September 10, 2025 Preregistration Deadline August 08, 2025	2114.509	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
August 19 & 21, 2025 Tues/Thurs 7PM-10PM Preregistration Deadline August 12, 2025	2114.501	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown
August 25 & 27, 2025 Mon/Wed 7PM-10PM Preregistration Deadline August 17, 2025	2114.602	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon
September 15 thru October 10, 2025 Preregistration Deadline September 08, 2025	2114.510	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
October 15 thru November 10, 2025 Preregistration Deadline October 08, 2025	2114.511	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
November 15 thru December 10, 2025 Preregistration Deadline November 08, 2025	2114.512	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
December 15, 2025 thru January 10, 2026 Preregistration Deadline December 08, 2026	2114.513	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)

For Professional Certification (ProBoard) you must attend a [Hazardous Materials/WMD Awareness Professional Certification Challenge](#). If you have additional questions, please contact the Certification Department at [PSCertification@bucks.edu](mailto:PSCertification@bucks.edu).

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<b>Hazardous Materials Awareness Refresher</b>	2	Hours	
	<p>The primary target audiences for this course are the First Responders (fire, rescue, emergency medical, police, telecommunicators, etc.) who will witness or discover a hazardous substance/materials release or a terrorist/criminal incident. Students will be trained to initiate an emergency response sequence by notifying the proper authorities of the incident. They shall have sufficient training or experience to demonstrate competency in objectively understanding hazardous substances, the risks, potential outcomes, and the ability to recognize and identify their presence. They must understand their role, including site security, safe scene management and how to use the latest version of the U.S. Department of Transportation (US DOT) Emergency Response Guidebook during a hazardous materials/WMD or a terrorist/criminal emergency.</p>		
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 14 & up, Hazardous Materials Awareness Training		
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>IFSTA, Hazardous Materials for First Responders 6<sup>th</sup> Edition; see page 22 for additional information.</i>		
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with Internet Access		
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>		\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>		\$ 30.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>		\$ 60.00

<b>Course Available:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
January 15 thru February 10, 2025 Preregistration Deadline January 08, 2025	1738.502	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
February 15 thru March 10, 2025 Preregistration Deadline February 08, 2025	1738.503	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
March 15 thru April 10, 2025 Preregistration Deadline March 08, 2025	1738.504	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
April 15 thru May 10, 2025 Preregistration Deadline April 08, 2025	1738.505	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
May 15 thru June 10, 2025 Preregistration Deadline May 08, 2025	1738.506	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
June 15 thru July 10, 2025 Preregistration Deadline June 08, 2025	1738.507	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
July 15 thru August 10, 2025 Preregistration Deadline July 08, 2025	1738.508	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
August 15 thru September 10, 2025 Preregistration Deadline August 08, 2025	1738.509	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
September 15 thru October 10, 2025 Preregistration Deadline September 08, 2025	1738.510	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
October 15 thru November 10, 2025 Preregistration Deadline October 08, 2025	1738.511	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
November 15 thru December 10, 2025 Preregistration Deadline November 08, 2025	1738.512	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)
December 15, 2025 thru January 10, 2026 Preregistration Deadline December 08, 2026	1738.513	Conducted via Canvas LMS (Asynchronous Delivery)

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<b>Hazardous Materials/WMD Awareness Professional Certification Challenge (NFPA 470)</b>	<b>2 Hours</b>	
	The written examination measures the cognitive skills of the Hazardous Materials/WMD Awareness Level and will follow guidelines set forth in accordance with the policies and procedures of the Bucks County Community College. The examination will be randomly generated and consist of thirty (30) questions. A score of 70% or above shall constitute a passing grade for the candidate.	
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 14 and up, Hazardous Materials Awareness Training	
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>IFSTA, Hazardous Materials for First Responders 6<sup>th</sup> Edition; see page 22 for additional information.</i>	
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	None	
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>	\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>	\$ 35.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>	\$ 75.00

<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
January 26, 2025 Sunday 8AM-10AM Preregistration Deadline January 19, 2025	917.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon
February 01, 2025 Saturday 8AM-10AM Preregistration Deadline January 25, 2025	917.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown
August 23, 2025 Saturday 8AM-10AM Preregistration Deadline August 16, 2025	917.501	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown
September 07, 2025 Sunday 8AM-10AM Preregistration Deadline August 30, 2025	917.602	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon

<b>Hazardous Materials Operations</b> <i>(Operations CORE with PPE and Product Control Mission Specific Responsibilities)</i>	<b>32 Hours</b>	
	This course will prepare students to respond to hazardous materials incidents at the First Responder Operations Level. Topics covered include common alarms, exposure & response, recognition & identification, personal protective equipment, scene management, basic principles of chemistry, planned response, and weapons of mass destruction.	
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 16 and up, Hazardous Materials Awareness Training	
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>IFSTA, Hazardous Materials for First Responders 6<sup>th</sup> Edition; see page 22 for additional information.</i>	
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Turn out gear, SCBA	
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>	\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>	\$ 200.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>	\$ 360.00

<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
March 17, 19, 23, 24, 26, & 30, 2025 Mon/Wed 7PM-11PM & Sun 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline March 03, 2025	2472.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon
March 25, 27, 29, April 01, 03, & 05, 2025 Tues/Thurs 7PM-11PM & Sat 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline March 11, 2025	2472.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown
October 21, 23, 25, 28, 30, & November 01, 2025 Mon/Wed 7PM-11PM & Sun 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline October 07, 2025	2472.501	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown
October 27, 29, November 02, 03, 05, & 09, 2025 Tues/Thurs 7PM-11PM & Sat 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline October 13, 2025	2472.602	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon

For Professional Certification (ProBoard) you must attend both a [Hazardous Materials/WMD Operational "CORE" \(Chapter 7\) with Product Control and PPE Mission Specific Responsibilities Written Examination Challenge \(NFPA 470\)](#) and [Hazardous Materials/WMD Operational "Core" \(Chapter 7\) with Product Control and PPE Mission Specific Responsibilities Professional Certification Practical Skills Challenge \(NFPA 1072\)](#). If you have additional questions please contact the Certification Department at [PSCertification@bucks.edu](mailto:PSCertification@bucks.edu).

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<b>Hazardous Materials/WMD Operations “CORE” (Chapter 7) with Personal Protective Equipment and Product Control Mission Specific Responsibilities Professional Certification Practical Skills Challenge (NFPA 470)</b>	<b>8 Hours</b>
<p>Practical evaluations are intended to measure the manipulative skills of the Hazardous Materials Operations and will follow guidelines set forth in accordance with the policies and procedures of the Bucks County Community College. The agency is capable of testing 100% of the practical objectives; however, the examination will only test a randomly pre-selected percentage of the total Hazardous Materials Operational Core and Mission Specific skills. A score of 100% shall constitute a passing grade for the candidate. A copy of all the practical skill stations is provided with confirmation letter sent out prior to testing.</p> <p><u>See <a href="#">Hazardous Materials/WMD Operations “CORE” with Personal Protective Equipment and Product Control Mission Specific Responsibilities Written Examination Challenge (NFPA 470)</a> for information on the written exam dates and times.</u></p> <p align="center"><b>Testing DOES NOT stop for lunch. You should bring lunch and/or snacks as well as water or other hydrating beverages.</b></p>	
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 16 and up, Hazardous Materials Awareness Professional Certification, Hazardous Materials Operations CORE Level with Personal Protective Equipment and Product Control Mission Specific Responsibilities Training
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>IFSTA, Hazardous Materials for First Responders 6<sup>th</sup> Edition; see page 22 for additional information.</i>
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Turn out gear and SCBA
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b><i>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</i></b> \$ 0.00
	<b><i>In State:</i></b> \$ 175.00
	<b><i>Out of State:</i></b> \$ 350.00

<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>
April 06, 2025 Sunday 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline March 30, 2025	103.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon
April 12, 2025 Saturday 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline April 05, 2025	103.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown
November 08, 2025 Saturday 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline November 01, 2025	103.501	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown
November 16, 2025 Sunday 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline November 09, 2025	103.602	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon

## ***Hazardous Material Programs & Certifications***

<b>Hazardous Materials/WMD Operations “CORE” (Chapter 7) with Personal Protective Equipment and Product Control Mission Specific Responsibilities Written Examination Challenge (NFPA 470)</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Hours</b>	
			<p>The written examination measures the cognitive skills of the Hazardous Materials Operation Level and will follow guidelines set forth in accordance with the policies and procedures of the Bucks County Community College. The examination will be randomly generated written examination. A score of 70% or above shall constitute a passing grade for the candidate.</p> <p>See <a href="#">Hazardous Materials/WMD Operations “CORE” (Chapter 7) with Personal Protective Equipment and Product Control Mission Specific Responsibilities Professional Certification Practical Skills Challenge (NFPA 470)</a> for information on the practical skills testing dates and times.</p> <p><i>Students taking the HazMat Written Examinations should not plan on taking any other written examination during this session due to time constraints.</i></p>
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 16 and up, Hazardous Materials Awareness Professional Certification, Hazardous Materials Operations “CORE” Level with Personal Protective Equipment and Product Control Mission Specific Responsibilities Training		
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>IFSTA, Hazardous Materials for First Responders 6<sup>th</sup> Edition; see page 22 for additional information.</i>		
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	None		
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>		\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>		\$ 0.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>		\$ 0.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>	
April 02, 2025 Wednesday 7PM-11PM Preregistration Deadline March 25, 2025	978.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon	
April 10, 2025 Thursday 7PM-11PM Preregistration Deadline April 03, 2025	978.500	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown	
November 06, 2025 Thursday 7PM-11PM Preregistration Deadline October 30, 2025	978.501	Bucks County PSTC, Doylestown	
November 12, 2025 Wednesday 7PM-11PM Preregistration Deadline November 05 2025	978.602	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon	

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<b>Hazardous Materials/WMD Incident Commander (NFPA 470)</b>	40	Hours	
	<p>This is an advanced course which will give the student the ability to function safely and effectively as an Incident Commander in an area exposed to a hazardous material release to meet the requirements defined by 29 CFR 1910.120. Subjects to be covered include site safety procedures, personal protective equipment selection, containment techniques, response strategies, decontamination selection and strategies, incident management system, and skills evaluation through integrated exercises. This course is tested to NFPA 470 Standard, to the Hazardous Materials Incident Commander Level through the ProBoard. Successful completion of the program requires proficiency demonstration in written/delivery practical skills and a multiple-choice examination.</p> <p><i>This certification can earn you 3 credits towards your Fire Science Degree or Academic Certificate through Bucks County Community College, see page 83 for more information.</i></p>		
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	Age 18 and up, Hazardous Materials Core Operations Level Professional Certification		
<b>Required Textbook(s):</b>	<i>Jones &amp; Bartlett, Hazardous Materials: Managing the Incident 5<sup>th</sup> Edition plus the Field Operations Guide for the text; see page 22 for additional information.</i>		
<b>Required Equipment:</b>	Computer with audio/video capability and internet access.		
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>		\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>		\$ 175.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>		\$ 550.00
<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>	
March 04, 06, 08, 11, 13, 15, 18, 20, & 22, 2025 Tues/Thurs 7PM-10PM & Sat 8AM-11AM and 12PM-3PM Preregistration Deadline February 25, 2025	795.500	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)	
October 13, 15, 17, 20, 22, & 24, 2025 Mon/Wed/Fri 8AM-11AM and 12PM-3PM Preregistration Deadline October 06, 2025	795.501	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)	
<p><b>NOTE:</b> Certification Written Examination will be conducted outside of the listed sessions for virtual courses and at the conclusion of the class for face-to-face courses. During the virtual class you will be provided with specific information on how to coordinate the written exam at our facilities, a pre-determined test site within PA, or a third party approved site inside or outside of PA. The student may be responsible for any third-party agency testing fees if applicable.</p>			



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<b>Hazardous Materials/WMD Technician Professional Certification (NFPA 470)</b>	99.5	<b>Hours</b>	
	<p>This course will give the student the ability to function safely and effectively in an area exposed to hazardous materials. Subjects to be covered include site safety procedures, personal protective equipment, containment techniques, atmospheric monitoring, chemical classification, decontamination procedures, incident management systems, and integrated exercises.</p> <p>This program consists of a written test and practical skills stations. The testing meets the intent of 29 CFR 1910.120 and NFPA 470. Subjects to be tested include ICS, command and control, resource management, hazmat basic chemistry, decon, containment procedures, instrumentation, toxicology, medical surveillance, documentation, tactical benchmarking, and terminating the incident.</p> <p><i>This certification can earn you 3 credits towards your Fire Science Degree or Academic Certificate through Bucks County Community College, see page 83 for more information.</i></p>		
	<b>Prerequisites:</b> Age 18 and up, Hazardous Materials Core Operations Level Professional Certification		
	<b>Required Textbook(s):</b> <i>IFSTA, Hazardous Materials Technician 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition; see page 22 for additional information.</i>		
<b>Required Equipment:</b> Computer with audio/video capability and internet access. Recommended: Change of clothes, towel (kitchen size)			
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>		\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>		\$ 650.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>		\$ 1,300.00
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<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>	
September 08 thru 21, 2025 Mon thru Fri, Off first Sat/Sun, then Mon thru Sun 8AM-5PM Preregistration Deadline August 27, 2025	772.600	Lower Bucks PSTC, Croydon	
<i>This course will conclude with Professional Certification for Hazardous Materials Technician Level (ProBoard). The written examination will be held at the end of class on Friday September 19, 2025, followed by practical skills testing on Saturday September 20, 2025 and Sunday September 21, 2025 (if needed).</i>			
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<b>Hazardous Materials/WMD Safety Officer (NFPA 470)</b>	24	<b>Hours</b>	
	<p>Hazardous Materials/WMD incidents present specific and sometimes less obvious challenges to emergency response personnel. This program provides the Hazmat Technician with additional insight to these challenges and offers risk management strategies for maintaining safe operational practices throughout the various incident phases. Assessment, analysis, and planning are critical focus areas for this course. This course is tested to NFPA 470 Standard, to the Hazardous Materials Safety Officer Level through the ProBoard. Successful completion of the program requires proficiency demonstration in written/delivery practical skills and a multiple-choice examination.</p>		
	<b>Prerequisites:</b> Age 18 and up, Hazardous Materials Technician Level Professional Certification		
	<b>Required Textbook(s):</b> <i>Jones &amp; Bartlett, Hazardous Materials: Managing the Incident 5<sup>th</sup> Edition plus the Field Operations Guide for the text; see page 22 for additional information.</i>		
<b>Required Equipment:</b> Computer with audio/video capability and internet access.			
<b>Cost of Course:</b>	<b>Bucks Co / TMP (Silver, Gold, Platinum, and/or Online Pkg):</b>		\$ 0.00
	<b>In State:</b>		\$ 175.00
	<b>Out of State:</b>		\$ 550.00
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<b>Course Meets:</b>	<b>FSC #:</b>	<b>Locations:</b>	
February 17, 19, & 21, 2025 Mon/Wed/Fri 8AM-12PM & 1PM-5PM Preregistration Deadline February 10, 2025	960.500	Conducted via Canvas LMS which includes Zoom Video instruction (per schedule)	

**NOTE:** Certification Written Examination will be conducted outside of the listed sessions for virtual courses and at the conclusion of the class for face-to-face courses. During the virtual class you will be provided with specific information on how to coordinate the written exam at our facilities, a pre-determined test site within PA, or a third party approved site inside or outside of PA. The student may be responsible for any third-party agency testing fees if applicable.

## ***Training Requests***

The Local Level Emergency Services Catalog (found on our website) can provide you with a list of courses available by completing the "Local Level Course Application" in the back of this catalog. The application should be submitted to the Bucks County Community College – Department of Public Safety Training and Certification to either the Doylestown Training Facility at 1760 South Easton Road, Doylestown, Pa 18901 or the Bristol Training Facility at 2912 River Road, Croydon, PA 19021. The application should be submitted at least **eight weeks** prior to the course starting date. This will allow sufficient time to contract instructors and forward course materials to the training site.

We recommend that you contact the instructor(s) to establish dates and times acceptable for both parties, before submitting the course application to the Public Safety Training Center. This will speed up the application process and ensure instructor availability. If you cannot locate an instructor or need assistance with processing the "Local Level Course Application", contact the Training Center and we will assist you.

### **Course Locations**

Sessions are traditionally held at local emergency service stations where the necessary apparatus, tools, and equipment are available to the instructor and the class. Course locations and section numbers may be found on our website. Contact the Training Center for additional detailed information.

### **Instructor Credentials**

Instructors are selected from the list of certified state instructors approved by the Pennsylvania State Fire Academy. Each instructor must meet the Pennsylvania State Fire Academy instructor requirements for each course taught. Bucks County Community College must contract all instructors, including assistants, prior to their teaching of a course.

***Travel expenses may be the responsibility of the sponsoring agency if the instructors assigned to teach the course did NOT receive approval for travel expenses by Bucks County Community College.***

### **Student Responsibilities**

Students are responsible for the material presented in each class. It is each student's responsibility to make up assignments and attendance in a course as required. Individual student requirements and conduct shall be in accordance with established Pennsylvania State Fire Academy and Bucks County Community College policies as stated by the instructor at the beginning of class. Students will be removed from class if they are in violation of these established policies. Tuition, lunch, and facility use fees (where applicable) will **NOT** be refunded to the student or their sponsoring organization.



**Bucks County Community College**  
 Department of Public Safety Training and Certification  
 Website: <http://www.bucks.edu/publicsafety>

**Main Phone:** 267-685-4888  
**Training Facility Fax:** 215-788-4906  
**Business Office Fax:** 215-497-8721  
**Email:** [fireschool@bucks.edu](mailto:fireschool@bucks.edu)

**Bristol Training Facility & Office**  
 2912 River Road  
 Croydon, PA 19021

**Doylestown Training Facility & Office**  
 1760 S. Easton Road  
 Doylestown, PA 18901

**Business (State) Office**  
 275 Swamp Road, Farmhouse 2<sup>nd</sup> Fl  
 Newtown, PA 18940

**Public Safety Degree Office**  
 275 Swamp Road  
 Newtown, PA 18940

## Request for Transcript

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Maiden Name: \_\_\_\_\_

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Number: \_\_\_\_\_ or Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ and Last 4 of SSN: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Previous Address (if moved in last 10 years): \_\_\_\_\_

**Transcripts will be sent to your home address or to another educational institution at the address listed below.**

Institution Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Purpose for transcript:      Personal Records: \_\_\_\_\_      Employment: \_\_\_\_\_  
    Another Educational Institution: \_\_\_\_\_      Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Note:** Transcripts will be sent only upon written request from the person owning the records involved.

*By my signature, I authorize Bucks County Community College to provide a transcript to the institution or address listed above. Such records are to be used for research purposes only and will be held in confidence.*

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Full name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

**Complete this form and return it to [PSCertification@Bucks.edu](mailto:PSCertification@Bucks.edu) or mail to:**  
 Bucks County Community College  
 Department of Public Safety Training & Certification  
 1760 South Easton Road  
 Doylestown, PA 18901

**FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY:**

Last Revised: November 2022

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Course Transcript Printed:

Date Mailed:

Certification Transcript Printed:

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## ***College Programs and Credit Opportunities***

The Bucks County Community College offers over 80 academic programs of study. To add additional value to our Public Safety Training and Certification Program, an extensive evaluation of our credit and non-credit programs was completed to allow for the maximum amount of prior learning assessment (PLA) credits to be awarded. A number of other PLA credit opportunities also exist for different FEMA courses, and both National Registry or State Issued DOH Certifications (EMR, EMT-B, & EMT-P). Because of this evaluation, Bucks County Community College has aligned specific Industry/Professional Certifications with its Fire Science and Emergency Management Degrees and Academic Certificate Programing. *(NOTE: To be awarded PLA credits you must be enrolled and complete an academic semester in a program of study at Bucks County Community College that requires the courses outlined in these offerings.)*

The following programs have all been designed to be completed online (with the exception of Fire Investigation 1 & 2 and an Internship, if required or elected), assign with FESHE requirements, Industry/Professional Certifications, and in the case of both degrees Accredited through IFSAC's Degree Assembly. More information on each of the programs can be found at the following links below or by contacting the Program Coordinator at [Earl.Freese@bucks.edu](mailto:Earl.Freese@bucks.edu).

### **Associates in Fire Science**

The Associates of Arts in Fire Science program consists of a minimum of 61 credits. Upon successful completion of the program, a graduate will be awarded an associate of arts degree.

Found at: <http://www.bucks.edu/catalog/majors/business/fire/>

### **Academic Certificate in Fire Science**

The Academic Certificate in Fire Science program consists of a minimum of 31 credits. Upon successful completion of the program, a graduate will be awarded an academic certificate.

Found at: <http://www.bucks.edu/catalog/majors/business/firesciencecertificate/>

### **Academic Certificate in Fire Prevention and Investigation**

The Academic Certificate in Fire Prevention and Investigation program consists of a minimum of 34 credits. Upon successful completion of the program, a graduate will be awarded an academic certificate.

Found at: <http://www.bucks.edu/catalog/majors/business/firepreventioninvestigation/>

### **Associates in Emergency Management**

The Associates of Arts in Emergency Management program consists of a minimum of 62 credits. Upon successful completion of the program, a graduate will be awarded an associate of arts degree.

Found at: <http://www.bucks.edu/catalog/majors/business/emergencymanagement/>

### **Academic Certificate in Emergency Management**

The Academic Certificate in Emergency Management program consists of a minimum of 38 credits. Upon successful completion of the program, a graduate will be awarded an academic certificate.

Found at: <http://www.bucks.edu/catalog/majors/business/emergencymanagementcertificate/>

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### **Courses offering PLA credits available in this Catalog:**

Fire Company Officer 3 (NFPA 1021) ProBoard/IFSAC Professional Certification <b>FRSC-208: Principles of Fire &amp; Emergency Services Administration</b>	<b>3 credits</b>
Fire Fighter 1 (NFPA 1001) ProBoard/IFSAC Professional Certification <b>FRSC-100: Introduction to Fire Science</b>	<b>3 credits</b>
Fire Inspector 2 (NFPA 1031) ProBoard/IFSAC Professional Certification <b>FRSC-104: Fire Prevention and Code Enforcement</b>	<b>3 credits</b>
Fire Investigator (NFPA 1033) ProBoard/IFSAC Professional Certification <b>FRSC-206: Fire Investigation I</b> <b>FRSC-216: Fire Investigation II</b>	<b>3 credits</b> <b>3 credits</b>
Hazardous Materials Technician or Hazardous Materials Incident Commander (NFPA 472/1072) ProBoard/IFSAC Professional Certification <b>FRSC-202: Hazardous Materials</b>	<b>3 credits</b>
Health and Safety & Incident Safety Officer (NFPA 1521) ProBoard/IFSAC Professional Certification <b>FRSC-209: Occupational Safety &amp; Health for Emergency Services</b>	<b>3 credits</b>
Plans Examiner 2 (NFPA 1031) ProBoard/IFSAC Professional Certification <b>FRSC-214: Fire Plans Review</b>	<b>3 credits</b>
Public Fire and Life Safety Educator 2 (NFPA 1035) ProBoard/IFSAC Professional Certification <b>FRSC-210: Fire and Life Safety Education</b>	<b>3 credits</b>

### ***Additional PLA is also available for EMR, EMT, Paramedic, and various FEMA courses***

Firefighters who desire to begin or finish a college degree program should consider attending a local community college, securing an Associate Degree and then pursuing a Bachelors program through Bucks County Community College offers a convenient program at a reasonable cost.

Articulation Agreements, formal and informal, are available to different four-year universities to allow for smooth and easy transition to complete your Bachelors and in some cases fast track to a Masters at the same time.



# Expectations of Firefighter Candidates

*Always be ready*

*Take pride in your firehouse and apparatus*

*Make sure your gear is ready at all times*

*Look out for every member*

*Be combat ready for every call*

*Know your job*

*Finish the job*

*Uphold the company pride*

*Always represent the company with honor and professionalism*

*Respect those that came before you*

*Improve every bad habit*

*Learn all of the time (never stop learning)*

*Teach someone something*

*Don't be afraid to make a mistake*

*Admit mistakes and learn from them*

*Be the best*

*Never accept failure*

*Don't get lazy*



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