



**State of Connecticut  
Department of Emergency Services & Public Protection  
Commission on Fire Prevention and Control**

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1. **2016 Fire Service Instructor Development Seminar – Hurry Time is Running Out**

The Connecticut Fire Academy presents the 2016 Fire Service Instructor Development Seminar Saturday, May 21, 2016 8:30-4:30. The presentation is entitled Drill Ground Instructor Academy delivered by Deputy Fire Marshal Bill Hopson with the Ocean County, NJ Office of the Fire Marshal.

The Drill Ground Instructor Academy program specifically focuses on improving the individual participants overall capabilities in the following areas: Creating realistic blocks of Drill Ground Instruction; selecting credible instructors; ethics, integrity and certification and accepting the role of the Drill Ground Instructor.

The Drill Ground Instructor Academy, instructor development course is a highly interactive and fast paced presentation which is specifically designed to improve the overall efficiency and competency of the active Drill Ground Instructor.

The seminar is intended for fire department training officers, company training officers, and certified fire service instructors.

The presentation will be held at the Connecticut Fire Academy. The course number is 16273 and the course fee is \$40.00, with lunch included.

Please register early as seating is limited.

[Click here to view and download a three fold flyer and student application](#)

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## **2. FROG: Fire Rescue Organizational Guidance for Fire Service Leaders**

Join a team of fire service leaders to participate in an intensive 2-day, hands-on, workshop designed for leaders of volunteer and combination fire departments. The course, essentially is a "Graduate Level Leadership Program" picking up where VCOS's "Beyond Hoses and Helmets" course left off. Participants will work together to develop solutions to common leadership challenges through scenario and facilitated based discussions. Topics include analyzing and understanding the fire department's people, processes, and culture. At the conclusion of the course, participants will have practical guidelines that are customized to their organization that can be immediately implemented upon returning home.

### **When:**

Friday, June 3, 9 AM–5 PM

Saturday, June 4, 9 AM–4 PM

\*\*\*Please note this is a two-day course.

### **Where:**

Connecticut Fire Academy: 34 Perimeter Road Windsor Locks, CT 06096

Please register by May 30, 2016 at [https://frog\\_ctfireacademy.eventbrite.com](https://frog_ctfireacademy.eventbrite.com)

### **Cost:**

Free This program is made possible through a FEMA/SAFER grant of the CT Fire Chiefs Association in cooperation with the International Fire Chiefs Association.

Here is the Eventbrite link to the FROG class: [https://frog\\_ctfireacademy.eventbrite.com](https://frog_ctfireacademy.eventbrite.com). Attached is a flyer that has been created to advertise the class as well. Please let me know if you need anything.

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## **3. June School Classes 2016 Openings – Tuesday June 7<sup>th</sup>**

Building Construction – From the Task and Tactical Viewpoint

Fire Dynamics & the Fireground – 8:30 to noon

From the Jump Seat to the Front Seat

Hurst Extrication Class

ICS 400

Incident Management Team – Planning Section Chief – 4 day class

The Leader in You, morning and afternoon class

The application period for June School 2016 is now open and available on our web site <http://www.ct.gov/cfpc/cwp/view.asp?Q=579498&A=832> . This annual event will run from June 6<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> on the main campus of the Connecticut Fire Academy. New class offerings this year are Active Assailant Response, Bomb Squad Outreach, and Fire Dynamics and the Fire Ground. As with each year it is our priority to exceed expectations for quality, value, and customer satisfaction. Applications are due on May 26<sup>th</sup>. Class registration is first come, first serve until a course is filled. Revised application is also attached.

For further information on specific classes or other June School related questions, please contact Program Manager Jason Decremer at 860-264-9242 or [jason.decremer@ct.gov](mailto:jason.decremer@ct.gov)

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#### **4. Valley Fire Chiefs Regional Fire School Training Opportunities**

The application period for our Summer Firefighter I Program, 2Q Driver Training Program, and 16-hour Basic Pump Operator class is now open. For more information or to apply online, please go to [www.valleyfireschoolct.org](http://www.valleyfireschoolct.org) or email [jvincent@valleyfireschoolct.org](mailto:jvincent@valleyfireschoolct.org).

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#### **~~5. Employment Opportunity – Executive Director – Seymour EMS~~**

~~Seymour Emergency Medical Service is accepting applications for the position of Executive Director. The official job posting and information may be obtained on the Seymour EMS web site: <http://www.seymouremms.org>~~

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#### **6. Employment Opportunity – Entry Level Firefighter – Town of New Canaan**

**TOWN OF NEW CANAAN**  
**New Canaan Fire Department**  
**Entry Level Firefighter**  
Starting Salary \$56,187  
Comprehensive Benefits Package

The Town of New Canaan is accepting applications through May 31, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. for the position of Firefighter. A written examination will be held in New Canaan on June 11, 2016. There is currently no vacancy but the testing will be used to establish an eligibility list for future vacancies that occur within two years from the written examination date. We seek candidates who are motivated to work in a combination career/volunteer fire department and who maintain good physical condition. Entry level firefighters, after attending Connecticut Fire Academy Recruit Training, will work a 24/72 hour schedule.

Candidates must be 21 years of age, be a U.S. citizen, have a valid drivers' license, and no previous felony convictions. Candidates must take and pass a written examination, oral examination, medical examination, drug screening, and background investigation. Candidates must submit a valid CPAT certificate issued on or after June 11, 2015 and State of Connecticut Commission on Fire Prevention & Control or Pro Board Firefighter I certification at time of application.

The Town of New Canaan will require candidates to provide copies of your State of Connecticut / Pro Board – Firefighter I certification and Candidate Physical Ability Test (CPAT) certification with the application. [www.ct.gov/cfpc](http://www.ct.gov/cfpc).

Applications are available at the Town of New Canaan Department of Human Resources and Fire Marshal's Office or by calling 203-594-3108 to request an application. You can also go online to [www.newcanaan.info](http://www.newcanaan.info) to obtain an application. Applications must be submitted by May 31, 2016 to the Department of Human Resources, Town of New Canaan, 77 Main Street, New Canaan, CT 06840. A \$40.00 non-refundable check must accompany your application. The Town of New Canaan reserves the right to limit the number of candidates invited to each selection process after the written test. Equal opportunity employer M/F/D/V.

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## 7. NFPA, IAFC and NVFC Launch 2016 Safety Stand Down Quiz Sweepstakes

As part of the 2016 Safety Stand Down, the "Fire Service Safety Stand Down Quiz" Sweepstakes is back. Hosted by the [National Fire Protection Association](http://www.nfpa.org) (NFPA) in coordination with the [International Association of Fire Chiefs](http://www.iafc.org) (IAFC) and the [National Volunteer Fire Council](http://www.nvfc.org) (NVFC), the interactive online quiz reinforces the training messages behind this year's theme, "The First Five Minutes of Fire Attack."



The quiz will be available online May 16 through June 17, 2016 at [www.nfpa.org/fireservicequiz](http://www.nfpa.org/fireservicequiz) and contains 15 questions on firefighter safety during the first five minutes of structural fire response. Career and volunteer firefighters, EMTs and other fire department employees and members are invited to participate. Everyone who completes the quiz will be automatically entered into the sweepstakes; 200 randomly selected participants will win a specially designed challenge coin commemorating this year's Safety Stand Down.



[Safety Stand Down](http://www.nvfc.org), formerly called International Fire/EMS Safety and Health Week, takes place June 19-25, 2016. Members of the fire and emergency services are encouraged to use this week to focus on increasing their safety at the fireground and what each member of the department should be doing in the first five minutes of structural fire response, including the chief, incident commander, company officer, and firefighter. Safety Stand Down is a joint initiative of the IAFC and NVFC.

"Safety Stand Down is an important initiative for first responders to learn about safety during the critical first five minutes of a fire attack, including topics like stretching the initial hose line and putting water on the fire," said Ken Willette, NFPA's fire service segment director and a former fire chief. "We want to help more fire service members learn about the importance of safety and have found this annual quiz to be a successful way of doing that. We look forward to even further participation this year."

Test your knowledge today at [www.nfpa.org/fireservicequiz](http://www.nfpa.org/fireservicequiz).

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## 8. EMS Week Burrito Buffet LUNCH

Please stop by the Saint Francis ED in celebration of National EMS Week to join us for lunch and pick up a "token of appreciation". Wednesday May 18<sup>th</sup> between 11:30 – 13:30

Thanks for all that you do.

John Quinlavin, EMS Manager

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**9. EMS Week DINNER Burrito Buffet**

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**10. Cheshire F.D. to Host Side-by-Side Sprinkler Demonstration**

The Cheshire Fire Department will host a Side by Side burn demonstration on Wednesday, June 8, 2016 at 11:30 at Cheshire Fire Headquarters 250 Maple Street. Food will be provided. Please see the attached flyer or contact Fire Marshal John Andrews at (203) 272-1828 or [jandrews@chshirect.org](mailto:jandrews@chshirect.org).

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