



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

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1. 2016 Fire Service College Fair – Save the Date

The 2016 Fire Service College Fair will be held on Saturday, October 22, 2016 at the Connecticut Fire Academy from 9:30am to 3 pm. Come learn about college, training and career options in the Fire, Emergency Medical Services, Emergency Management and Public Safety Communications Career Paths!

Who should come? High School Students & Parents, Junior Firefighters & Explorers, High School Guidance Counselors, Explorer Post Advisors, Adult Learners interested in Fire, EMS and Emergency Management Degree programs.

For more information contact Ian Tenney, Program Coordinator Ian.Tenney@ct.gov

Please post the attached flyer in your fire station(s) and plan to attend!

2. Hoarding Hazards: Municipal Team Response Training

COURSE ANNOUNCEMENT

The Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Police Officer Standards and Training Council's Field Services Training Division, in cooperation with the Division of Criminal Justice, the Department of Agriculture, and the Connecticut Hoarding Working Group, is offering a one-day training seminar titled "Hoarding Hazards: Municipal Team Response".

Instruction will be provided by trainers from the Division of Criminal Justice, Housing Prosecution Unit of the Office of the Chief State's Attorney, the Department of Agriculture, Animal Control Division, and other subject matter experts. The training seminar will take place on **Monday, November 21, 2016** from 8:30 a.m. to **3:00 p.m.** at the Connecticut Police Academy, 285 Preston Avenue, Meriden, CT. Registration will begin at 8:00a.m.

This training will provide recommended procedures for municipal team response to complex cases of severe hoarding in and around housing. Municipalities are encouraged to send official representatives from the following departments for this specialized training in hoarding response: police, animal control, fire marshal, health, housing, building and blight.

The presentation will be split into morning and afternoon sessions. The morning session will be general instruction, and the afternoon will consist of break-out sessions where participants will work through a series of case scenarios with guidance from subject matter experts. The morning will be open to all interested parties, however the full day program is limited to in-service police, animal control officers, and code enforcement officials.

The presentation has the following objectives:

- Identify Connecticut laws applicable to hoarding cases
- Recognize constitutional limitations to lawful right of entry in hoarding cases
- Recognize proper response to animal hoarding
- Familiarize municipal officials with skills for proper assessment and response to hoarding cases
- Review applicable emergency protocols, mental health and social service referrals, and mandatory reporting provisions in hoarding cases

The training class is limited to 120 police and code officials. The session will be held in the auditorium. Please complete the [registration](#) form located on our website at www.ct.gov/post and forward to the attention of Barbara Fullenwiley by email at Barbara.Fullenwiley@ct.gov or fax to (203) 238-6119. The deadline date is **October 28, 2016**. If you have any questions, please contact Susan E. Rainville, Director at 203-427-2621.

Students successfully completing the training will receive Review Training Credit as follows: Curriculum Area II: Police and the Law, 4 hours and Curriculum Area IV: Human Relations, 2 hours.

There is no tuition for this course. Lunch may be purchased at nearby restaurants. The uniform dress code for POSTC In-Service Training ([POSTC General Notice 90-03](#)) will be in effect. We ask all training supervisors to inform assigned personnel that they represent their agency and are required to dress accordingly.

3. New England Association of Fire Marshals Annual Conference and Meeting

The New England Association of Fire Marshals Annual Conference and meeting will be September 21-22, 2016 in Westerly, Rhode Island

Investigative Considerations for the Illegal Manufacture of Butane Hash Oil and Marijuana Grow Operations; This class will give the student an understanding of how laws that have legalized the use and possession of Marijuana and Hash Oil are impacting the fire investigation community. As a consequence of Amendment 64 in Colorado, many people in that State have been manufacturing the very lucrative and potent Butane Hash Oil. The instructor for this class, Captain Siegfried Klein, IAAI-CFI, CI, has first-hand experience in dealing with and investigating these fires. Since 2014 the manufacturing of Butane Hash Oil has led 40 documented explosions/fires in private and multi-family residence in Colorado. With more states considering the legalization of recreational marijuana, it is not a matter of if you will encounter a butane Hash oil explosion, but of when. Be prepared for the unusual circumstances and know what to look for to keep you and your crews safe. This course will address the process of manufacturing Butane Hash Oil and address the chemicals, dangers and associated risks to First Responders and Investigators that Butane Hash Oil presents. Accepted practices for the response to BHO labs and explosions will be discussed and shared. Investigative considerations, such as manufacturing apparatus, chemical precursors and final product identification will be addressed. This course includes demonstrative evidence seized by the Aurora Fire Department, Fire and Explosive Investigators. This will conclude in an actual recreation of a butane hash oil explosion/fire in a burn cell.

Fire Alarm 101; Staff from Jensen Hughes Associates will conduct a class on the inspection and common violation with NFPA 72. At the end of this presentation there will be a round table discussion on the topic to address misunderstanding or questions with NFPA 72. Following the round table Jensen and Hughes will do a presentation as well on mass notification and the code.

NFPA 70 & The Fire Inspector Shedding Some Light; This presentation will review the basic electrical requirements in the NEC and that fire marshals and inspectors deal with in the process of their duties.

See the attached flyer for additional information and registration.

4. Beyond Hoses and Helmets: Leadership for Volunteer & Combination Departments

The Manchester 8th District Fire Department is sponsoring the program Beyond Hoses and Helmets: Leadership for Volunteer & Combination Departments on Saturday and Sunday, September 24-25th. Cost: \$25 per person. Program presenters are Melvin Byrne and Larry Curl. See attached fliers for more information or contact Captain Danielle Cowee at dcowee@mfd8th.org

5. CSFA Merit Awards

The Connecticut State Firefighters Association is seeking departments to submit a Merit Award application for any firefighter performing exemplary duty for the years 2015 / 2016.

Attached is an application to be completed and returned as soon as possible so proper recognition can be awarded at the annual convention in September.

Send completed forms to Merit Awards Committee Chairman, Charles Stankye III at 126 David Humphreys Road Derby, CT 06418 or email it to cmstankye@snet.net.

6. Incident Management Team: Division/Group Supervisor Course

The Connecticut Fire Academy is delivering an IMT: Division/ Group Supervisor course in Ashford September, 10-11 from 0830-1630. Please complete a registration form and submit to the academy with the \$100 fee. Application is attached.

7. NENA Education Summit Coming to CT

The National Emergency Number Association (NENA) has scheduled training at the Connecticut Fire Academy September 20-22. Attend one, two, or all three days of training to include a three day 9-1-1 Center Supervisor Program along with programs on 9-1-1 Customer Service, Liability Issues in the 9-1-1 Center and Leadership in the 9-1-1 Center. See the attached flyer for additional information and registration or online at nena.org/nes-ct

8. Ethanol Safety Seminar (Day/Night Sessions)

The Connecticut Fire Academy will be hosting a free Ethanol Safety Seminar on Tuesday, August 30, 2016. Both a day session (9am-2pm) and evening session are offered (5:30pm-10pm) with lunch / dinner provided. The program is open to emergency responders to include firefighters, EMS, LEPCs, Police and Safety Managers. See the attached flyer for additional information and registrations.