

# Fire Rescue Symposium

Date: February 1 & 2, 2025

Time: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

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Join us for a two-day Firefighter Symposium featuring a series of training courses led by some of the nation's top experts on subjects that are shaping the fire service today. This event is an excellent opportunity to enhance your knowledge and skills, learn the latest techniques, and stay updated on critical topics impacting firefighters.

## Why Attend?

- **Expand Your Expertise:** Learn from industry leaders and gain valuable insights into the latest trends and best practices.
- **Enhance Your Skills:** Participate in hands-on training sessions designed to elevate your capabilities.
- **Network with Peers:** Connect with fellow firefighters, share experiences, and build lasting professional relationships.

Don't miss this chance to advance your career and stay at the forefront of the fire service industry. Secure your spot today at: [www.region3fire.com](http://www.region3fire.com).



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## **NOZZLE FORWARD**

*Aaron Fields, Seattle Fire*

Nozzle Forward is a 2-day course beginning in the classroom & quickly transitioning into the field with hands-on training. Students learn skills to gain mechanical advantages with hoselines, creating a system hoseline management, movement, and fire attack. The principles of hoseline management taught in Nozzle Forward apply to every engine, every fire, and every firefighter.

Students need full structural PPEs.

## **INITIAL COMPANY OPERATIONS**

*Ian Bennett, Seattle Fire*

Initial Company Operations is a 2-day course beginning in the classroom & quickly transitioning into the field with live-fire training. Day 1: Covers the effectiveness of interior attack, transitional attack, locating the fire, & extinguishment philosophy.

Day 2: Students will lay and charge a line, advance on and extinguish a live fire, then search back from a fire room.

Students meet training requirements & provide structural PPE & SCBA described in WAC 296-350.

## **INCIDENT SAFETY OFFICER**

*Mike Dettmer, Kirkland Fire, Retired*

The ISO course is a 2-day course that examines the safety officer's role at emergency responses. A focus on operations within ICS as a safety officer is the main theme.

The ISO course is an incident-specific, scenario-oriented course designed to teach students what an ISO needs to know at an incident. The course uses instructor-led discussion, multimedia activities, and small group discussions.

## **RURAL PUMP OPERATIONS**

*Jason VanDyken, Bellingham Fire*

Rural Pump Operations is a 2-day course taking the participant from basic pump operations to a higher understanding of water flow, troubleshooting, and getting the best pumping performance during rural fire operations.

The course begins using presented information and pumping simulations. It transitions to the training ground, where drafting, tender operations, and relay pumping will be practiced. Students must bring full structural PPE.

## **FIRE OPERATIONS IN THE WILDLAND/URBAN INTERFACE**

*Matt Cervenka, Washington DNR*

Fire Operations in the Wildland/Urban Interface (WUI) is a 2-plus day course preparing individuals to manage and respond to fire incidents where urban development meets wildland vegetation. The course is for personnel who respond to fire incidents in the interface, including structural & wildland firefighters.

## **EMOTIONAL HEALTH AND RESILIENCE WORKSHOP**

*Chericka Ashmann, LMHP, S.E.R.V.E*

The Emotional Health and Resilience Workshop is a 2-day program designed to support firefighters' emotional wellness and resilience.

Psychoeducation, self-awareness exercises, self-assessments, and practical resiliency techniques are covered in the workshop.

Participants will develop skills to enhance mental well-being and create supportive networks within their departments and communities, empowering them in their professional and personal lives.

## **LESSONS FROM MIKEY G**

*Mike Gagliano, Seattle Fire, Retired*

Lessons From Mikey G. is a 2-day presentation intended to help firefighter students survive and thrive on the fireground and in the firehouse. The presentation will cover four diverse topics that will entertain, inspire, and bring change to improve the fire service experience for each attendee.

- This House Rocks - Achieving Firehouse Excellence.
- The Art of Go/No Go! in choosing an interior attack or another route.
- Situational Awareness: The Seven Deadly Sins of the "Situationally Unaware".
- All Hell Breaks Loose - And Now You're Out of Air.

## **EVIDENCE-BASED ENGINE & TRUCK OPERATIONS**

*Jim Golondzinier & Chad Christensen, LA County Fire & Daniel Madrzykowski, UL, Fire Safety Research Institute*

The two-day Evidence-Based Engine & Truck Company Operations program is designed to equip fire service leaders, instructors and firefighters with the latest research findings on fire behavior and firefighting tactics.

Participants will understand the core concepts of fire dynamics through classroom study, interactive exercises, and table-top experimentation.

Participants will engage in live water delivery exercises and analyze case studies of fire events to understand the practical applications of fire dynamics in the real world.

Links for full class descriptions can be viewed at: [www.region3fire.com](http://www.region3fire.com)