



## **FIRE ACADEMY COURSE ANNOUNCEMENT**

### **S-215, Fire Operations in the Wildland Urban Interface**

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**Course Coordinator: Krissy Mitchell**

**Date: January 7-9, 2025**

**Time: 0900-1600**

**Location: Virtual**

**Open to all Washington State Fire Agencies**

**Registration Closes: December 24, 2024**

**DESCRIPTION:** This is an instructor-led course intended to be presented at the local level. Instructional units include firefighter safety in the interface, managing human factors in the interface, pre-incident planning, sizeup and initial strategy, structure triage, structure protection overview, tactics in the interface, tactical operations and resource use in the interface, action assessment, plan update, and after-action review.

**OBJECTIVE:** Operate safely and effectively in a wildland urban interface incident by using situation awareness, performing structure triage, using pre-planning tools, having a basic understanding of fire behavior, and using strategy and tactics unique to the wildland urban interface environment.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:** Designed to assist any emergency responders who will be planning for and making operational decisions during an interface incident. This course is for personnel desiring to be qualified as Incident Commander Type 4 (**ICT4**), Task Force Leader (**TFLD**), or any Strike Team Leader.

**COURSE PREREQUISITES:** Qualified as a Firefighter Type 1 (**FFT1**).

**COST:** There is no registration fee for this course. DNR fire program staff will charge their normal program for salary, and non-fire program staff will receive academy program code for salary for course hours. Partner agencies will be responsible for their own costs while participating in all academy courses.

#### **REGISTRATION PROCEDURE:**

Training Coordinators to complete the registration process at [S-215 Course](#) and submit it by December 24, 2024. Applicants must have supervisor approval before applying.

If you have questions about this course, contact Lois Anderson at [lois.anderson@dnr.wa.gov](mailto:lois.anderson@dnr.wa.gov) or 360-999-8259.