

# WESTERN ILLINOIS FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION

## 22nd Annual Fall Fire School

### Registration Form

#### Step 1

#### REGISTRATION INFORMATION

(Please print clearly or type)

##### APPLICANT INFORMATION

Last: \_\_\_\_\_

First: \_\_\_\_\_ MI: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City, ST, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

Yrs of Serv: \_\_\_\_\_

##### DEPARTMENT INFORMATION

Dept/Org: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City, ST, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

##### IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

Notify: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

##### Ethnic Origin

1  American Indian

2  Black

3  Asian

4  Hispanic

5  White

6  Other

##### Professional Role as a First Responder

Career

Paid on Call FF

Volunteer Firefighter

Industrial

EMS Provider

Police

**YOU MUST BE 18 YEARS OLD**

**TO PARTICIPATE IN HANDS-ON CLASSES**

##### OFFICE USE ONLY

Rec'd: \_\_\_\_\_ Ck# \_\_\_\_\_

Student #: \_\_\_\_\_ P.O. # \_\_\_\_\_

Recpt #:

#### Step 2

#### FEES & METHOD OF PAYMENT

All classes have a non-refundable administrative fee of \$35 and must be paid in advance to WIFA.

Paid by:

Dept

Student

All registration forms must be signed by Chief, training officer OR department head, regardless of whom is paying the registration.

**X**

Signature - Dept. Chief/Training Officer

#### Step 3

#### CLASSES

Indicate your preference of class by numbering your choices below - #1 being your first choice. Classes are assigned by the date the registration form is received. If your 1st choice is full, you will be registered in your 2nd choice and so forth.

\* IFSI - Cornerstone course

#### ALL classes have LIMITED ENROLLMENT

\_\_\_ Essentials

\_\_\_ Company Level Operations

\_\_\_ Fire Investigations

\_\_\_ \* Fireground Communications

\_\_\_ \* Basic Pumps

\_\_\_ Basic Rail Response

\_\_\_ \* Auto Extrication

\_\_\_ \* Firefighter Self Rescue & Survival

\_\_\_ Trauma, Hemorrhagic Shock & Crush Syndrome

\_\_\_ \* Mastering the Modern Fireground

FREE T-SHIRT if pre-paid registration is received by August 19th.

**SIZE (SM, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL)**

**MAIL ALL FORMS WITH CHECK (PAYABLE TO WIFA) TO:**

WIFA  
C/O Donald "Doog" McDowell  
PO Box 112  
Woodhull, IL 61490

**Western Illinois Firefighter Association**  
**Fire Training – Acknowledgement of Conditions**

WIFA attempts to conduct its training programs in the safest and most efficient manner possible. However, it is not possible to eliminate all of the potential hazards to a student's safety. Before any student participates in the Fall Fire School training program involving the teaching of firefighting skills, he/she should be familiar with the level of physical stress and other hazards involved. Please read the following explanations of the physical and mental requirements of this course and sign the form to acknowledge that you have read and understood the information. Students who cannot comply with these requirements will not be allowed to participate in parts of the training involving physical exertion, or the use of protective equipment, so as to provide for their personal wellbeing and safety of other students and instructors. They may attend lectures and observe evolutions from a safe distance.

I acknowledge:

1. Firefighting training can be a physically and mentally stressful activity, requiring physical exertion; exposure to high temperature and humidity levels; toxic atmospheres; working at heights and in confined spaces; the possibility of elevated body temperatures, increased pulse, respiration, and blood pressures; and the ability to react quickly to emergency situations.
2. Persons with known heart or lung disease, hypertension, who are pregnant (Note: spontaneous abortion will occur with pregnant females when core temperature elevates), or have other medical or mental conditions which may affect their health and safety under these conditions, are advised to check with their personal, or fire department, physician before participating in the activity. Evidence of the ability to meet the Illinois Department of Labor Respirator Wearers physical evaluation may be required.
3. Protective clothing and self-contained breathing apparatus meeting the appropriate NFPA standards, at the time of manufacture, must be worn during most practical exercises and all live fire training as directed by the instructor in charge. Protective equipment must be in serviceable condition.
4. Individuals with facial hair, jewelry, or other impediment to the proper seal of the face-piece on self-contained breathing apparatus will not be allowed to participate in evolutions where the atmosphere is toxic or may become so.
5. The use of alcohol, and other drugs, which affect mental or physical reactions, immediately preceding, or during training, is prohibited.
6. I am 18 years of age, or older, and an active member of a public fire department, private fire brigade or first responder/ems agency.
7. For purposes of promoting the WIFA Fall Fire School, I agree to allow WIFA unlimited use of my image, with no compensation.
8. I acknowledge that there are certain risks of physical injury to participants in these programs and I agree to hold harmless WIFA, the City of Galesburg and their representatives from any responsibility for my participation in these activities. I further agree to waive and relinquish all claims I may have or incur as a result of participating in these programs against WIFA or the City of Galesburg, including their respective officials, employees and volunteers. I do hereby fully release and forever discharge the City of Galesburg from any and all claims for injuries, damages or loss that I may incur, connected with or in any way associated with these programs. I have read and understand the aforementioned waiver.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Participant's PRINTED Name

X \_\_\_\_\_  
Participant's Signature Date

By my signature below, I certify that the individual participating is an active member of the department listed below and is in good standing with this department. And as such, is covered by that department's Worker's Compensation coverage for this training. In the event of injury during training, the student is responsible for notifying his/her department to initiate the process. WIFA does not provide insurance coverage for students. Any and all injuries, no matter how minor will be reported to WIFA staff. WIFA representatives will have the final say in selecting the treatment disposition for the student. This may range from on-site treatment to ambulance transportation to a local emergency department or occupational medicine agency. If a student or department does not accept these terms, or refuses to comply with WIFA's treatment decision and disposition, the student will be dropped from the remainder of the program and will not be eligible for any refund.

X \_\_\_\_\_  
Department Chief's Signature Department

WIFA's Fall Fire School is an equal opportunity institution.

## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

### 1. Essentials

\* Denotes IFSI Cornerstone course

#### **Dan Myers, Captain – Orion Fire Department**

Welcome to the Fire Service! This class gets you up close and personal with basic tools, concepts, and fireground familiarization. There will be a brief educational session followed by a full day of hands-on evolutions applying those basic skills with small tools, SCBA, ladders, and hose. **FULL PPE REQUIRED**

### 2. Company Level Operations

#### **Brad Stevenson, Battalion Chief - Galesburg Fire Department**

This class is designed for the firefighter who has already been through Basic or Essentials. Learn the ropes of working as a member of a fire company; focusing on attack, search, vent, and ICS. Firefighters will rotate through a series of stations receiving hands-on instruction and put it all together at the end with a scenario in the burn tower. As a bonus, this class will conclude with the observation of a live basement fire. Full turnout gear and SCBA required. **FULL PPE REQUIRED**

### 3. Fire Investigations

#### **Brock Schmitt, Captain and Lead Fire Investigator – Galesburg Fire Department**

This class is designed for those interested in becoming an Investigator or looking to further develop their skills. Students will learn the fundamentals of Fire Investigations centered around basic fire science examinations, fire & vent patterns, building systems, electricity, fire related human behavior, legal considerations, safety, origin and cause determinations and planning. Information on how to receive training and the many resources that are available will be provided. The afternoon will be spent investigating a fire in one our burn cell demonstrations.

### 4. Fireground Communications\*

This class focuses on how to develop, implement, and evaluate fireground communications. During this session, new and seasoned firefighters alike will become familiar with radio equipment and effective language. Students will practice tactical and strategic size-up procedures assuring the proper communication and benchmarks are used.

### 5. Basic Pumps\*

Learn basic core competencies in engine pump operations. Topics include legal aspects of emergency vehicle driving and the abilities of different apparatus'. Class will touch on maintenance, inspection, and record keeping before diving into pumps, controls and how to get the most out of them. Practical evolutions will take most of the day using apparatus' that participants will use and encounter when interacting with their regional home departments.

### 6. Basic Rail Response

#### **Dillon Magers, Hazardous Field Operations & Emergency Response Manager – BNSF Railway**

This class covers basic rail safety & communications, hazard identification, response planning, and railway resources that are available to your department. The afternoon puts the morning education into practicum via tank construction, nomenclature, valves/fitting, and all-hazards; **plus**, flagging procedures to stop a train, and emergency locomotive shut-down procedures.

### 7. Auto Extrication\*

This immersive course explores size-up, stabilization, hazard abatement, patient access/disentanglement, and scene control techniques at motor vehicle accidents. Emphasis is placed on proper choice, placement, and use of equipment. Students get down-and-dirty with basic bars, saws, electric tools, advanced pneumatic and heavy hydraulic equipment. **FULL PPE REQUIRED**

### 8. Firefighter Self Rescue & Survival\*

Do you have what it takes? Firefighter Self Rescue & Survival. Students will familiarize themselves with various survival strategies and techniques and the equipment necessary to make the most of those techniques. Students will also learn how to make more efficient use of their department's equipment. **FULL PPE REQUIRED**

### 9. Trauma, Hemorrhagic Shock and Crush Syndrome: What you need to know, the easy way

#### **Richard Springer, Emergency Medical Services Coordinator – Galesburg Cottage Hospital**

As first responders, you will confront all types of Emergency Medical runs throughout your career. In this class, Richie will teach you what you need to know and give you the tools & hands-on skills to confront the worst of these calls with confidence and an aptitude level that will give you the edge to achieve successful outcomes. (CEU's awarded)

### 10. Mastering the Modern Fireground\*

#### **Peter Van Dorpe, Fire Chief, Algonquin-Lake in the Hills & 2016 Fire Engineering Instructor of the Year**

This course will teach you how to identify, survive, and master modern fire dynamics in lightweight construction while mounting an aggressive, offensive, interior attack.

Lightweight energy efficient construction, modern fuel loads, firefighter encapsulation, and reduced staffing have combined to make today's residential firefight a dramatically new challenge for even the most experienced firefighter. This workshop brings together cutting edge research and best practices from around the country to help firefighters develop strategies and tactics for mounting interior fire attacks in modern residential construction.