

Winter Fire School

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Saturday, January 26

8:00 a.m. - noon Sunday, January 27

Hilton Garden Inn

1501 S. Neil St, Champaign (217) 352-9970

Hotel accommodations

The Hilton Garden Inn and adjacent Homewood Suites by Hilton are offering special rates for Winter Fire School participants. Please identify yourself as a Winter Fire School attendee when making reservations. Information about other area lodging is available on the IFSI web site

Low registration fee includes Saturday lunch

\$50 pre-registration (by January 23, 2008 5:00 p.m.)
\$60 after January 23, 2008 and at the door

Registration check-in at the Hilton Garden Inn

Saturday: 6:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. *You must pick up your registration packet before proceeding to class.*

Register early to hold your place

New this year: register online

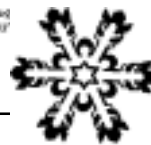
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or use the enclosed registration form and fax to 217-244-6790 or mail to Illinois Fire Service Institute, 11 Gerty Drive, Champaign, IL 61820. If the registration form is missing, you can get a copy on the IFSI web site.

NOTE: Because of minimum student enrollment requirements for NFA classes, you must register for NFA classes before December 21, 2007. If minimum enrollment is not met, class will be cancelled and students will be shifted to other available classes.

Important dates

First day to advance register: November 1, 2007
Registration fee jumps to \$60: December 21, 2007
Last day to advance register: January 23, 2008
Email confirmations sent: December 28, 2007
Penalty to cancel starts: January 11, 2008



Class schedule

NFA classes

Saturday: 8:00 a.m. - Noon
Saturday: 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. - Noon

Saturday Evening Bonus

7:00 p.m.

Short track classes -- each available three times

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Sunday: 8:00 a.m. - Noon



Saturday Evening Bonus You can learn a lot from a tragedy such as the Station Nightclub fire that occurred in Rhode Island in 2003 and killed 100 club patrons. The National Institute of Standards & Technology (N.I.S.T.) will deliver a fascinating, educational and dynamic presentation that includes actual fire video, computer simulations and vivid graphics. You will see how serious exit and combustibility issues contributed to the tragedy. This is a "must see" program.

Hilton Garden Inn, Champaign
Saturday lunch included with registration.

Choose from 7 short track classes

4 NFA courses

Featuring:

January 26 - 27, 2008

Winter Fire School at IFSI

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NFA Comes to Illinois

**12
Hour
Classes**



Nationally-recognized National Fire Academy (NFA) instructors will be in Champaign in January to teach these four 12-hour classes at Winter Fire School. With these classes you'll hear from top experts and gain a wealth of information that is not available through regularly taught courses.

NOTE: A minimum number of students must register for each class before December 21 to ensure that NFA instructors are available. If minimum number is not reached, the class will be cancelled and students will be shifted to other available classes.

NFA: Fire Prevention for First Responders in Small Departments

Smaller communities and smaller departments can face unique challenges that bigger departments don't encounter. This class focuses on new and successful fire prevention approaches for communities with populations of less than 25,000. The class draws upon lessons learned in other communities to look at proven approaches for addressing total fire protection challenges. You learn about taking advantage of available resources and the means and value of building partnerships and coalitions.

NFA: Methods of Enhancing Safety Education

Is Tsunami education needed in Illinois? I don't think so. This class is for those who want to maximize their efforts and resources in determining what public education and prevention efforts are most appropriate for their community. You will learn to outline ideas and safety plans for your community, as well as analyzing and evaluating what resources and materials available to you in your area.

Leadership 1: Strategies for Company Success

This class is designed to give you a better understanding and tools toward becoming a more effective leader. You will have a chance to understand and practice better approaches to problem solving, to identify and assess needs of subordinates, to facilitate productive meetings, and to meet other decision-making leadership challenges. When you leave this class, you will be armed with the tools to apply in your own department and become that successful leader.

Leadership III: Strategies for Supervisory Success

If you're sometimes stymied on how to be an effective supervisor, this 12-hour class can provide you with some successful and time-proven strategies. You will learn to effectively work with subordinates in delegating, recognizing and assessing personal leadership styles, disciplining, coaching and motivating. You will have the opportunity to learn, understand, and practice these skills to be on your way to becoming a more productive leader.

**4
Hour
Classes**

Short Track Classes – Dynamic Instructors Each class offered three times over the weekend

Public Information Officer: News Media - Friend or Foe? They can be both or neither. Some fire departments work well with the news media while others seem to have an ongoing struggle. The presentation will discuss whether having a PIO program is a luxury or a necessity. You'll learn how to manage a variety of emergency and routine situations for your agency. Come to this class ready to discuss media issues including some of your agency's media contacts and others that you may have seen or heard. **Instructor: Joe Gasparich**

Fire Marshal Investigations Officials from the Office of the State Fire Marshal (OSFM) will deliver this class and let you see how they approach a fire and arson investigation. You will not only meet members of the OSFM team, but you will also gain insight into their strategies and methodologies and see some of the tools that they have at their disposal and some that are available to you as well. Origin and Cause basics will be presented along with methods that firefighters and officers can use to help conduct successful investigations in your community.

National Incident Management Working in an organized emergency scene is no longer just an option for emergency services; it's vital to the successful outcome of the event. Safety and accountability have become operational foundations for emergency responders. Learn how to function at optimum performance by using the methods presented in this class. See how every decision and communication can be maximized by maintaining consistent, quality approaches to the resolution of each emergency incident.

Working Safely with Ethanol With the increasing amount of ethanol production, there's a lot of questions out there. This class will provide you with a basic understanding of "fuel ethanol," along with information about issues and concerns on the movement of ethanol in rail tankers. The class will cover planning and preparing for a potential incident involving ethanol in transportation and at production facilities. Learn the recommended procedures to work safely around this product when it's under control and out-of-control.

Instructor: Mark Maday, Manager of Hazardous Materials Management, Union Pacific Railroad. Mark is responsible for hazmat emergency response, DOT/FRA compliance, hazmat transportation training and risk reduction for northern Iowa and Illinois and all of Wisconsin and Minnesota.

Automobiles of the Future If you have ever responded to an automobile accident where extrication was necessary to save someone's life you know that today's cars are really changing. Hybrid cars of all types and a variety of new car construction methods are just some of the issues that are "driving" the need for newer auto extrication procedures. This class will discuss many of the changes in automobiles that occur today and how knowing the proper extrication methods will help make you a more effective rescuer and also keep you safer.

Instructor: Duane Bales retired from the Collinsville Fire Department in 2002 after 26 years of service and became an IFSI Field Staff Instructor and the Vehicle/Machinery Coordinator and Metro East Representative. He is a nationally-recognized auto extrication judge, who brings extensive knowledge and experience to his classes. Students will benefit greatly from Duane's passion for quality automobile and machinery rescue operations.

Too Hot to Handle Tactics and strategy are often overused words in emergency service classes. It's true that we need to know both concepts, but what is sometimes a missing third component of emergency operations decision making? This class will present real, practical, tested and documented methods of making sound fire ground decisions. It will discuss knowing how to determine if a situation is a "go" or "no go," how to apply a dose of wisdom to an incident and how to function in a more confident manner.

Instructor Ray Hoff is a retired Battalion Chief from the Chicago Fire Department and is presently the Fire Chief of the Topinabee, MI Fire Department. He is a 42-year veteran of the fire service, on IFSI's Field Staff, an Instructor for FDIC and routinely conducts independent instruction activities. His wisdom and insight into the fire ground brings an extremely valuable component to all of his class presentations.

Learning from Smoke Smoke is usually a prevalent component during structure fires. Is smoke just a problem for emergency responders or can it be a help during the decision-making process? This class will present techniques on how to read smoke and to use that information to initiate proper fire fighting operations while staying safe. Firefighters and officers will benefit from this presentation. Don't miss out on this quality presentation that will add to your arsenal of fire fighting tools.

Instructor Ed Enright is a third-generation member of the fire service and retired after 38 years from Chicago Fire Department where he served as a Deputy District Chief. He is member of the IFSI Field Staff, a Vietnam veteran and well known for his "Duty-Pride-Tradition" motivational speaking engagements. Enright will be joined by **Instructor Lew Lake** who also serves on the IFSI Field Staff.