

1023 OPERATIONS AT HAZMAT INCIDENTS

Objectives

To train the Hazmat responder to a level that they can:

- Determine the magnitude of the problem.
- Plan a response within the capabilities of personnel and equipment.
- Implement the planned response to achieve a favorable outcome.
- Evaluate progress of actions to insure response objectives are met safely, effectively, and efficiently as per *NFPA 471 Recommended Practice for Responding to Hazardous Materials Incidents*, and *NFPA 472 Standard for Professional Competence of Responders to Hazardous Material Incidents*.

Prerequisite

Must have successfully completed course 1022 Introduction to Hazmat

Target group

All persons who in the line of duty may respond to or encounter a hazardous material release and take defensive actions to lessen potential harm.

Methodology

Classroom lectures, paper exercises, and practical exercises. There is a certification exam.

Content

- Analyze a hazardous material incident
- Collect hazard and response information
- Evaluate the response
- Determine the magnitude of the problem
- Implement the response

Certification

Certification for this course is through the Nova Scotia Professional Qualifications Board and all applications must be submitted to the Nova Scotia Firefighters School a month in advance of the course for the tests to be processed.

Enrollment

Minimum 10 students

Maximum 24 students

Duration

4 days (2 weekends)

Location

Scotia Firefighters School or another suitable location.

Note

The recommended manual for this course is IFSTA Hazardous Materials for First Responders 3rd Ed.