

2017 Course Catalog

ROMEIOVILLE FIRE ACADEMY



Village of
Romeioville
Where Community Matters

Firefighting
Fire Officer I & II
Technical Rescue
Driver/Operator
Hazardous Materials
CPR, EMT, & EMS
Customized Courses

A Message from the Director

The Romeoville Fire Academy began operations in 2006 with one simple mission: to provide the fire service with quality training and educational opportunities using the latest and safest techniques, philosophies, equipment, and facilities delivered by competent, experienced, and caring instructors – all at an affordable cost. Through our success and feedback from pleased departments and students, we can say with confidence that is exactly what we've accomplished. Whether you come to RFA to accomplish the many different levels of OSFM certifications that we offer, to attend our many innovative firefighting skills courses, or to obtain your Fire Officer I & II certification, we are very humbled and honored that you choose the Romeoville Fire Academy for your training needs. For those of you who have taken our courses in the past, we thank you for your patronage. For those who are yet to come visit, we look forward to training with you!

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Firefighting Courses

Basic Operations Firefighter Academy

Our firefighting courses have been proven to aid the Illinois firefighter in meeting their goals, whether it be to simply obtain their Basic or Advanced Firefighter certification, to build confidence in a fire-ground officer's tactical decisions, or to obtain skills that will keep themselves and their fellow firefighters safe on the fire ground. The RFA not only utilizes all the practical evolutions that are mandated by the OSFM, but we also include the most modern, safe, and efficient techniques firefighters need to excel in their careers.

The RFA is proud to offer our entry-level firefighter certification. This program will cover all the cognitive objectives in all three modules of the OSFM B.O.F. curriculum, as well as performing and testing on all practical hands-on skills, including extensive live-fire evolutions. Students will receive repetitive practice, review, and testing on all aspects of the program. Students will also be expected to participate in daily physical fitness training to ensure peak performance. By graduation students will have completed all required classroom lectures & practical evolutions. The program will also include Hazardous Materials Operations, Technical Rescue Awareness, CPR certification, Fire Service Vehicle Operator, NIMS IC 100 & 700, and the "Courage to be Safe" program. The entire state exam for all courses will be given during the Academy.

Cost: \$ 2,950.00

Dates: Class #1: February 13-April 7, 2017. Class meets Mon. – Fri. 8 am – 5 pm

Class #2: April 17-June 9, 2017. Class meets Mon. – Fri. 8 am – 5 pm

Class #3: May 23-October 10, 2017. Class meets Tue. & Wed. nights 6 pm – 10 pm AND Sat.'s 8 am – 5 pm

Class #4: September 25-November 17, 2017 Class meets Mon. – Fri. 8 am – 5 pm

Departments enrolling two or more students in the same class will receive a \$ 100.00 per student



FACT: More firefighters attend the RFA for BOF than any other training institution in Illinois.



Firefighting Courses

Advanced Technician Firefighter

This 5-day course will give the students all of the information, objectives, and practicals they will need to obtain their Advanced Technician Firefighter certification. The new curriculum focuses on the experienced firefighter who can lead rather than be led. Instruction is shared between classroom presentations and in-depth hands-on evolutions on all topics covered in the Advanced Technician Firefighter curriculum. By the end of the program students will have had in-depth instruction on all of the state objectives reinforced by extensive study material provided by the RFA. Students will have also completed every required practical evolution and will have the confidence required to challenge the complete state exam. Some of the hands-on skills include first-in fire attack, R.I.T. evolutions, radio communication drills, forcible entry & ventilation operations, extensive live-fire evolutions, and much more. Sign up early for this course; it fills up fast!

The state exam will be given on the last day of the course.

Cost: \$ 525.00

Date: Apr. 3-7, 2017
July 31-August 4, 2017
November 13-17, 2017

Co-requisites for certification: Certified as Firefighter II OR Basic Operations Firefighter for at least 3 years, Fire Service Vehicle Operator, Vehicle & Machinery Operations, & NIMS 200.

NOTE: The only prerequisite to attend the course is FFII or B.O.F. The above co-requisites are not required to attend the program, as they may be obtained after the course is completed.

In August of 2009 the Romeoville Fire Academy, in partnership with the Illinois Office of the State Fire Marshal, conducted and piloted the very first Advanced Technician Firefighter course in Illinois. We are proud to have conducted the FIRST Advanced Firefighter course in the state, and continue to be a leader with this important program by training more firefighters in ATF than anywhere else in Illinois.



Our Engine and Truck Company Operations courses provide a great way to brush up on your basic skills while you learn some more advanced ones! These classes definitely focus on sharpening your size-up and tactical knowledge and provide you with the skills that are logistically tough to train on at your department!

Firefighting Courses

Engine Company Operations

This four-day skills course will instruct students on how to function more efficiently as part of an engine company. The course will cover the engine company philosophy and their roll at working fires, as well as other emergencies. With a good balance of classroom and hands-on time, including extensive live-fire evolutions, students will review topics such as engine company size up, company rolls and assignments, hose loads and hose pulling evolutions, tactics and strategy, fire attack, and much more! It's a course no firefighter should be without! This course is not available for certification through the OSFM.

Cost: \$ 450.00

Dates: September 5-8, 2017

Truck Company Operations

This four-day skills course will instruct students on how to function more efficiently as part of a truck and/or squad company. The course will cover the truck company philosophy and their roll at working fires, as well as other emergencies. With a good balance of classroom and hands-on time, including extensive live-fire evolutions, students will review topics such as truck company size up, company rolls and assignments, ladder-throwing evolutions, roof, ladder, and window triage, tactics and strategy, extensive forcible entry, search and rescue, and much more! As an added bonus our popular "Going to the Rear" presentation will be included on the last day of the course. It's a course no firefighter should be without! This course is not available for certification through the OSFM.

Cost: \$ 450.00

Dates: August 7-9, 2017





The RFA understands the angst and frustration some Illinois firefighters face when they attend outside fire service courses in regards to having an unbalance of too much classroom time and not enough hands-on time—especially live fire. We get it; after all, we’re firefighters too! That’s why we specifically designed our non-OSFM firefighting courses to cut through the “book stuff” and get right to the nuts and bolts of real-world hands-on firefighting by experienced instructors who have “been there” — while still providing brief and condensed, yet pertinent and timely lecture sessions.

Firefighting Courses

Company Officer Academy

So you’ve just been promoted. Now what?? The OSFM Fire Officer courses are excellent to prepare you in the classroom, but they lack the hands-on skills new officers need to excel in their new positions. This 40-hour hands-on course will give the student the information & practical applications to help complete the transition from firefighter to officer. The goal of this real-world course will be to identify and share the skills that current officers wish they would of known prior to getting promoted or placed into an acting officer role.

Topics covered in this course include single & multi-company runs encompassing everything from alarms & CO calls all the way up to structure fires – and everything in between. While the class includes some classroom time, it focuses mostly on hands-on skills including live-fire evolutions. It is the perfect course for new officers, firefighters on promotional lists, those that aspire to become officers, or even veteran officers looking to get more hands-on practice. This course is not available for certification through the OSFM.

Cost: \$ 600.00

Dates: April 24-28, 2017
August 28-September 1, 2017

Prerequisites for certification: Advanced Technician Firefighter preferred but not required

“Going to the Rear” Seminar

One of the most important aspects of first-in size-up is going to the rear of the structure. “Going to the Rear” is a four-hour seminar focusing on the concept of sending companies to the rear of a structure, what they need to know and do once they get there, and how to identify the dangers that come with being in opposition of hose lines. This seminar was developed after several years of in-field size-up assessment through personal experience and lessons by 20-plus year Chicago FD veterans. Rather than being just another lecture, this seminar includes numerous photos and fire videos promoting class participation and tactical development. If you are looking for a short and fresh inexpensive training topic, this is it!

Cost: \$ 35.00

Dates: Aug. 9, 2017 8 am—noon

RICO FIRE RESCUE INC.

That Brothers & Others May Live.



Firefighting Courses

Rapid Intervention Company Operations

R.I.C.O.

Proudly held in alliance with RICO Fire Rescue (ricofirerescue.com)

This intense five-day 40 hour course provides students with the solid foundation and skills needed to work as a member of a rapid intervention team on the fireground. The course is delivered with continuous updated hands-on techniques and maneuvers, as well as live fire-ground scenarios in three progressive areas: Firefighter Survival, Firefighter Rescue and Rapid Intervention Operations—and all the while being delivered by leading instructors from around the nation. It is recognized as one of the most comprehensive programs in the nation meeting and exceeding all guidelines in NFPA 1407!

Cost: \$ 560.00

Dates: September 11-15, 2017





SPECIALIZED RESCUE COURSES

Technical Rescue Awareness

This state certified eight (8) hour course will provide the information needed to identify the rescue situation, its specific hazards, and identifies the initial company operations as described in NFPA 1670 Standard On Operations and Training For Technical Rescue Incidents. Subjects will include: structural collapse rescue; rope rescue, confined space rescue, vehicle and machinery rescue, water and ice rescue, wilderness search and rescue, and trench and excavation rescue. This important course is a prerequisite for all other state certified technical rescue courses, including VMO, VMT, the Water series, and Advanced Technician Firefighter. The state exam will be given on the last day of the course.

Cost: \$ 150.00

Dates: March 24, 2017
May 26, 2017
September 9, 2017
November 3, 2017

Rope Operations

This state certified 40-hour course will provide the basic skills rescuers need to perform within a rescue company. The course will cover the use of rope, rope equipment, low-angle operations, and patient packaging. Although there are brief classroom presentations, most of the course will have students perform practical skills such as constructing and operating lowering systems, mechanical advantage systems, belay and safety systems, and anchor systems using accepted rope rescue practices.

Cost: \$ 450.00

Dates: April 10-14, 2017
August 7-11, 2017
November 27-December 1, 2017

Prerequisites for certification: Technical Rescue Awareness

Our instructors began teaching the rescue series courses in 1997 when the OSFM began TRT certifications. As trends changed in the rescue community, we've changed with them.

We offer most levels of the OSFM rescue specialist program, and deliver them using the latest equipment, local facilities, experienced instructors, and classroom techniques.



SPECIALIZED RESCUE COURSES

Rope Specialist—Vertical II

This state certified 40-hour course will provide the student with advanced skills needed to perform within a rescue company. Along with brief classroom instruction, students will perform hands-on training in skills such as fixed and floating brake rappels, line-transfers, pick-offs, and patient movement in litter systems. The students will construct and operate mechanical advantage systems, rappel and lowering systems, belay and safety systems, and anchor systems using accepted rope rescue practices. Students will receive plenty of “line time” performing rappels from high angles. This currently is the highest rope certification available through the OSFM.

Cost: \$ 460.00

Date: October 9-13, 2017

Prerequisites for certification: Rope Operations / Vertical I

10th Anniversary Fact:

When the RFA began operations in 2006 we were satisfied with potentially receiving students from neighboring departments. Today the RFA has had students from over 70% of Illinois counties, and is ever-expanding.



Confined Space Operations

This state certified 40-hour course will educate students on confined space emergencies. Students will receive classroom instruction on the OSHA confined space regulations, hazards, incident management, etc. The rest of the course will have students performing practical evolutions with supplied air systems, PPE, patient packaging, ropes & rigging, mechanical advantage systems, and scenarios in actual confined spaces. The state exam will be given on the last day of the course.

Cost: \$ 450.00

Date: October 30-November 3, 2017

Prerequisite for certification: Rope Operations / Vertical I



SPECIALIZED RESCUE COURSES

Trench Rescue Operations

This state certified 24-hour (3-day) course will provide students the skills needed to perform trench & excavation rescues. Students will receive classroom instruction on OSHA trench regulations, soil types, hazards, collapse patterns, etc. The rest of the course will have students performing hands-on evolutions on securing the scene, hazard analysis, constructing shoring systems, patient packaging, and more. All evolutions will be performed in live trenches, giving the most realistic training available. The state exam will be given on the last day of the course.

Cost: \$ 450.00

Dates: August 28-31, 2017

Prerequisite for certification: Technical Rescue Awareness OR Trench / Confined Space Rescue Awareness

Trench Rescue Technician

This 32-hour course will build on the trench rescue skills that the rescuer already possesses. The course will provide the student with hands-on training on more advanced skills such as shoring systems for "L" and "T" trenches and constructing whaler shoring systems. Students will also receive instructions on how to operate in these complex trench rescues with specialized tools and equipment such as air knives and vacuum trucks. All evolutions will be performed in live trenches, giving the most realistic training available. The state exam will be given on the last day of the course.

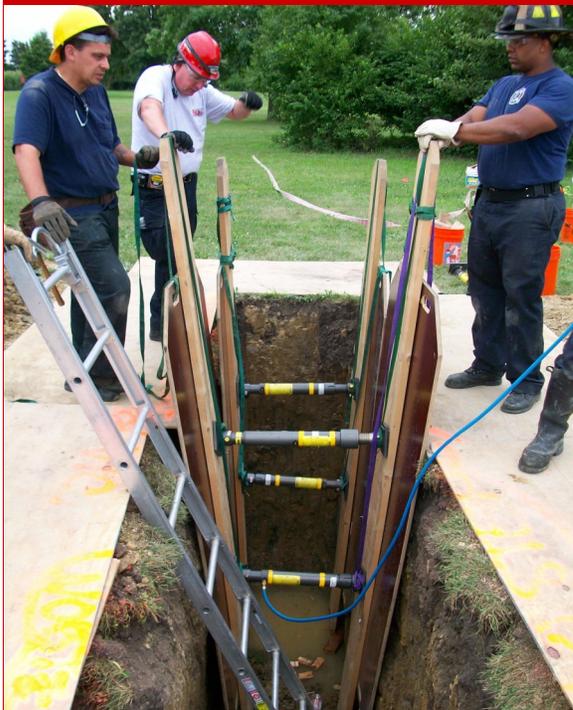
Cost: \$ 550.00

Dates: September 18-22, 2017

Prerequisite for certification: Trench Rescue Operations

Students who attend Trench Ops. & Tech. in the same year will receive a \$ 50.00 discount off their Trench Tech. tuition! (please mention this when registering for Trench Tech.)

Did you know that a large majority of RFA's courses qualify for continuing education hours from the IDPH? C.E. certificates are awarded to students immediately upon completion of qualifying classes!





SPECIALIZED RESCUE COURSES

Vehicle & Machinery Operations

This state certified 40-hour course will give students instruction on performing extrications and rescues involving vehicles and machinery. Classroom instruction will address vehicle anatomy, vehicle component hazards, the latest information on SRS systems and hybrids, incident command, trauma, and tools & equipment. The rest of the course will be composed of practical evolutions involving vehicle stabilization, tools, extrication techniques, door, roof, and glass removal, and lifting techniques. The curriculum has been enhanced to include lessons in machinery hazards and rescue techniques, ranging from farm equipment to industrial machinery. Our course gives the students more of what they have been asking for: more "tool time!" with NO lack of cars to work on. This important course is a co-requisite for Advanced Technician Firefighter certification. Register early for this class; it fills up *FAST!*

The state exam will be given at the end of the course.

Cost: \$ 550.00

Dates: May 15-19, 2017

June 12-16, 2017

August 14-18, 2017

October 2-6, 2017

Vehicle & Machinery Technician

This state certified 40-hour course will build on the extrication and rescue skills learned in the Operations course. The course focuses heavily on advanced stabilization techniques and equipment such as buttress systems, and introduces students to more sophisticated and technical rescue equipment such as low pressure airbags and cutting torches. Students will perform actual stabilization and extrication on more challenging equipment such as tractors, augers, semi-trucks, and school busses. Students will also practice other important skills such as incident management and control and helicopter landing zone set-up.

The state exam will be given at the end of the course.

Cost: \$ 650.00

Date: March 20-24, 2017

August 21-25, 2017

Prerequisite for certification: Vehicle & Machinery Operations
Rope Operations / Vertical I
Haz-Mat Operations

Each VMO class utilizes anywhere from 25—30 vehicles to work on. That is almost one full car for each student in the class!!

FACT: The RFA offers more VMO courses than any other training institution in Illinois.



Structural Collapse Technician

The RFA is very proud to be one of just two agencies approved by the OSFM to deliver the Structural Collapse Technician course, and the ONLY one in the Chicagoland area. Paired with our amazing instructor roster and facilities, this makes RFA an excellent choice for your Collapse Tech. needs.



SPECIALIZED RESCUE COURSES

Structural Collapse Operations

This 40-hour course trains the rescuer in collapses dealing with wood-frame and light masonry structures. Students will receive classroom instruction in building construction, destructive forces, collapse patterns, collapse operations, incident command, and more. The remainder of the course involves hands-on skills and evolutions on light-frame collapses, upright and raker shoring, tunneling, search operations, incident command, and much, much more.

The state exam will be given at the end of the course.

Cost: \$ 775.00

Dates: Sept. 25-29, 2017

Prerequisite for certification: Technical Rescue Awareness OR Structural Collapse Rescue Awareness

Structural Collapse Technician

This 40-hour course will continue to build on the rescuer's skills learned in Collapse Operations. Students will receive additional classroom instruction in advanced concrete & masonry building construction. The remainder of the course will focus on hands-on field evolutions working with cutting reinforced concrete, safely raising concrete slabs, rescue tunneling, working with advanced rescue tools, and directing and operating within the vicinity of a construction crane.

The state exam will be given at the end of the course.

Cost: \$ 1,325.00

Dates: May 8-12, 2017

Prerequisite for certification: Structural Collapse Operations
 Haz-Mat Operations
 Vehicle & Machinery Operations
 Rope Operations / Vertical I
 Confined Space Operations

Students who attend Collapse Ops. & Tech. in the same year will receive a \$ 100.00 discount off their Collapse Tech. tuition! (please mention this when registering for Collapse Tech.)



RFA Water Rescue Programs

The RFA is *the only major* academy in Illinois that offer the OSFM water rescue programs. As such, this has really made us experts in the field offering the most realistic programs because much of the training are conducted with students actually in the water. Whether students are seeking the entry-level Water Operations course or increasing the complexity with the Swift Water Rescue class, your water rescue training needs will be met at the RFA.

SPECIALIZED RESCUE COURSES

Water Rescue Operations

This 32-hour four-day course is the first in the OSFM Water Rescue certification series. Water Rescue Operations introduces the firefighter to the hazards and safety procedures needed to perform water rescues safely and efficiently. This course emphasizes all training, PPE, and operational standards from NFPA 1670. Students will cover classroom and practical evolutions on safety, hazard recognition, PPE, incident command and accountability, shore operations, rigging, and much more. This course is excellent for fire departments or law enforcement agencies that currently have a water rescue team, or are looking to start one.

The state exam will be given at the end of the course.

Cost: \$ 435.00

Dates: April 1-2 & 8-9, 2017 (weekends)
August 1-5, 2017

Prerequisite for certification: Technical Rescue Awareness AND Rope Operations / Vertical I

Watercraft Technician

This one-day OSFM certification will address the training needs for operating watercraft for emergency personnel. Emergent and non-emergent situations will be covered for a variety of watercrafts including boats, wave runners, and specific specialized vehicles through both classroom and open water settings.

The state exam will be given at the end of the course.

Cost: \$ 230.00

Dates: June 24, 2017
August 10, 2017

Prerequisites for certification: Water Rescue Operations AND an Illinois Department of Natural Resources OR United States Coast Guard Boating Safety Course certificate within the last three years. Students can easily obtain this prerequisite online by going to www.boat-ed.com/il/



Interested in hosting a water rescue course at your department?

The RFA can offer just about any of our courses at your department or location that you specify. We can also offer them to your department in a nightly or weekend format to fit into your schedules. We'd love to train with you, so please call for information.

SPECIALIZED RESCUE COURSES

Surface Ice Rescue Technician

The Surface Ice Rescue program prepares first responders from all public safety disciplines to respond and carry out surface ice rescues. This class introduces students to topics including ice formation and hazards, equipment selection, medical considerations, and the application of proven rescue methods and techniques. This is a surface rescue program and does not involve diving. This course does qualify for the OSFM Ice Technician certification.

Cost: \$ 155.00

Dates: January 12, 2017
January 21, 2017

Prerequisite for certification: Water Rescue Operations

Swift Water Rescue Technician

This three-day course focuses on performing rescues in swift water situations. Sessions will be a blend of classroom and pool work, with Day 3 focusing mostly on the required hands-on practical skills. A list of PPE will be included in the acceptance letter; however abrasion protection and foot ware will be required in addition to the NFPA 1670 basic PPE setup. This course qualifies for OSFM state certification in Swift Water Technician.

Cost: \$ 350.00

Dates: May 22-24, 2017

Prerequisites for certification: Water Operations

Incident Command for Technical Rescue Incidents

Technical rescue incidents can be difficult to organize. This three-hour course will take the student through a review of the ICS system incorporating some NIMS terminology. Students will then be placed in break-out groups and given incident activities to organize and present. A final activity will include a large incident for each group to work on. It is a perfect class for officers, incident commanders, or TRT team personnel to attend. Don't let a TRT incident be the first place you do this important training! This is not one of the FEMA NIMS courses.

Cost: \$ 35.00

Dates: April 24, 2017 (9 am—noon)
September 8, 2017 (9 am—noon)

Prerequisite for certification: None



The RFA is very proud to offer all nine classes in the OSFM Fire Officer I & II program held in alliance with our partner in education, Rasmussen College.

Need to get a large number of your department's members certified in any of the Fire Officer I or II courses? The RFA can deliver any of the nine FO classes right at your department just for your personnel and on your schedule, whether it be days, nights, or weekends! Call for details

Fire Officer I & II Courses

Instructor I

Instructor I is the base course for any student aspiring to be an instructor in the fire service, whether it be instructing drills at their home department or as an assistant instructor in OSFM certification programs. This course encompasses concepts in fire service instructional activities, NFPA instructor professional qualifications, instructor terminology, positive and negative teaching methods, laws and policies affecting training programs, OSFM training forms, and much more! It is a course no instructor should be without! The program's final exam is approved by the OSFM to act as the state exam.

Cost: \$ 345.00

Dates: January 23-27, 2017
April 17-21, 2017
September 18-22, 2017

Prerequisite for certification: Firefighter II / Basic Operations Firefighter

Instructor II

Instructor II is the senior-level course for any student aspiring to be a lead instructor in the fire service, whether it be leading drills at their home department or as a lead instructor within OSFM certification programs. The course is structured to provide the student with instruction in writing behavioral objectives, lesson plan construction, and development of evaluation instruments and use of visual aids. Students will develop the skills to write course content for company and department level instruction. It is a course no lead instructor should be without!! The program's final exam is approved by the OSFM to act as the state exam.

Cost: \$ 345.00

Dates: February 6-10, 2017
September 11-15, 2017

Prerequisites for certification: Firefighter III or Advanced Technician Firefighter Instructor I certification

Fire Officer I & II Courses

Fire Prevention Principles

Fire Prevention Principles is a Fire Officer I level course that provides fundamental information regarding the history and philosophy of fire suppression, organization, and operation of a fire prevention bureau, use of fire codes, identification and correction of fire hazards, and the relationships of fire prevention with built-in fire protection systems, fire investigation, and life-safety education. The program's final exam is approved by the OSFM to act as the state exam.

Cost: \$ 345.00

Dates: June 26-30, 2017
November 27-December 1, 2017

Prerequisite for Attendance: Firefighter II / Basic Operations Firefighter

Fire Officer I Certification Requirements:

- Instructor I attendance
- Leadership / Management I & II Attendance
- Fire Prevention Principles Attendance
- Tactics & Strategy I Attendance
- Firefighter III or Advanced Technician Firefighter certification
- 1 year fire officer training & 4 years fire suppression experience

Fire Officer II Certification Requirements:

- Instructor II attendance
- Leadership / Management III & IV Attendance
- Tactics & Strategy II Attendance
- Firefighter Officer I certification
- 1 year Fire Officer II training & 5 years fire suppression experience

Make sure to check out our Company Officer Academy on Page 5 — a real-world down-and-dirty officer class!!

Did you know that the final exams for all Rasmussen / RFA's Fire Officer I & II courses act as the state exam? That means you would not have to sit for a separate state exam. You know your exam score right before you leave the class. When you're done, YOU'RE DONE!

Fire Officer I & II Courses

Tactics & Strategy I

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ories and fundamentals of how and why fires start, spread, and how they are controlled. This course also introduces basic principles and methods associated with fireground tactics and strategy as required of the company officer. Emphasis in the element of size-up, fireground operations, pre-fire planning, as well as basic engine and truck company operations on the fire scene. It is a class no company officer, or those that aspire to become one, should be without! The program's final exam is approved by the OSFM to act as the state exam.

Cost: \$ 345.00

Dates: January 30-February 3, 2017
May 1-5, 2017
August 14-18, 2017

Prerequisite for certification: Firefighter II / Basic Operations Firefighter

Tactics & Strategy II

The Tactics & Strategy II course is a Fire Officer II level course that provides students with the knowledge and skills necessary to manage and coordinate emergency service delivery using an incident management system. This course also emphasizes multi-company alarm assignments and major fire incidents by occupancy classification. The course will run the student through multiple tactical scenarios and much more. It is a class no incident commander should be without! The program's final exam is approved by the OSFM to act as the state exam.

Cost: \$ 345.00

Dates: February 27-March 3, 2017
October 9-13, 2017

Prerequisites for certification: Firefighter III or Advanced Technician Firefighter
Tactics & Strategy I

Did you know that our Tactics & Strategy I & II courses were designed to help prepare students for the tactical simulation portions of most promotional exams? Not only do the courses satisfy all OSFM requirements Fire Officer I & II certification but they also prepare you for promotion!

Fact:
Total annual student enrollment has increased over 400% between 2006 & 2016 with no signs of slowing down. This is attributed to the RFA's programs & the stellar instructor corp.

Fire Officer I & II Courses

Management / Leadership I

Management / Leadership I is a Fire Officer I level course that introduces the student to the organization and management of a fire department and the relationship of government agencies to the fire service. Emphasis is concentrated on fire service leadership from the perspective of the company officer. The program's final exam is approved by the OSFM to act as the state exam.

* Management / Leadership I and II may be taken in any order, but it is preferred that I is taken before II.

Cost: \$ 345.00

Dates: February 20-24, 2017

June 12-16, 2017

September 11-15, 2017

Prerequisite for certification: Firefighter II / Basic Operations Firefighter

Management / Leadership II

Management / Leadership II is a Fire Officer I level course that applies the concepts of leadership and responsibility of the company officer in human resource management. The course will also feature the principles of communication and group dynamics as they relate to the fire company, the company officer, and the fire department. The program's final exam is approved by the OSFM to act as the state exam.

* Management / Leadership I and II may be taken in any order, but it is preferred that I is taken before II.

Cost: \$ 345.00

Dates: March 6-10, 2017

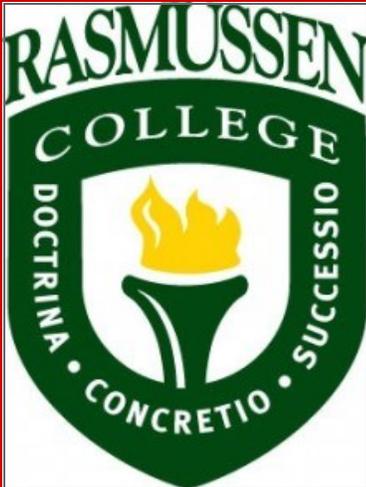
May 8-12, 2017

October 23-27, 2017

Prerequisites for certification: Firefighter II or Basic Operations Firefighter

*Not very familiar with
Rasmussen College?
They have five campuses
in Illinois, including
Romeoville!*

*Check them out at
www.rasmussen.edu*



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Fire Officer I & II Courses

Management / Leadership III

Management / Leadership III is a Fire Officer II level course that applies the concepts of the fire officer's role as a manager of resources, finances, budget preparation, and administration. This course will also cover the functions of the fire officer in the areas of human resource development, emergency service finance, and evaluation of personnel performance. The program's final exam is approved by the OSFM to act as the state exam.

* Management / Leadership III and IV may be taken in any order, but it is preferred that III is taken before IV.

Cost: \$ 345.00

Dates: March 27-31, 2017
August 21-25, 2017

Prerequisite for certification: Firefighter III/ Advanced Technician Firefighter
Management / Leadership I & II

Management / Leadership IV

Management / Leadership IV is a Fire Officer II course that applies the concepts of the fire officer's role in the management functions of human resource management, public relations, safety, and information management. The course will also focus on the areas of community and government relations and labor / management relations. The state exam will be given at the end of the course.

* Management / Leadership III and IV may be taken in any order, but it is preferred that III is taken before IV.

Cost: \$ 345.00

Dates: June 19-23, 2017
December 4-8, 2017

Prerequisites for certification: Firefighter III/ Advanced Technician Firefighter
Management / Leadership I & II



Hazardous Materials Courses

Hazardous Materials: Operations

The Hazardous Materials First Responder / Operations level course is a 40-hour course that provides those personnel, who are, or will be operating as a member of an emergency service organization, the basic skills needed to evaluate and work defensively at an incident involving the release of hazardous materials. Students will receive classroom and hands-on instruction in basic hazard and risk assessment techniques, knowledge of selecting and using proper personal protective equipment, performing basic control, containment, and/or confinement operations within the capabilities of the resources and PPE available, & proper termination procedures. This important course is a co-requisite for the Basic Operations Firefighter.

The state exam will be given at the end of the course.

Cost: \$ 435.00

Dates: April 3-7, 2017

May 30-June 2, 2017

September 26,27,30 & October 3,4 & 7 (nights and weekends)

November 13-17, 2017

Prerequisites for certification: Haz-Mat Awareness & Firefighter II / Basic Operations Firefighter (if not already certified as one)

Hazardous Materials: Incident Command

This two-day, 16-hour course offers students the skills necessary to direct & coordinate all aspects of a hazardous materials incident. Lessons will include implementing the incident management system & emergency response plans, a state & federal regional response plan, decontamination procedures, hazards associated with employees working in chemical protective clothing, analyzing a hazardous materials incident, setting objectives, identifying potential action options, evaluation of the planned response, documentation, & final termination requirements. It is a course that no company officer or haz-mat team leader should be without!

The state exam will be given at the end of the course.

Cost: \$ 265.00

Dates: December 14 & 15, 2017

Prerequisite for certification: Haz-Mat Operations

The RFA is proud to offer all OSFM Haz-mat state certifications. All our Haz-mat courses are offered using excellent curriculum, modern props and equipment, knowledgeable instructors, and realistic scenarios. As with our other courses, the state exam is given at the end of each course. This alone makes the RFA a sensible choice for all of your Haz-Mat educational needs.



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Hazardous Materials: Technician “A”

This 40-hour course provides those personnel who are, or will be, operating as a member of a hazardous materials response team with the basic skills needed to evaluate & mitigate an incident involving the release of hazardous materials. Students will receive in-depth classroom and hands-on lessons in implementation of the Emergency Response Plan, classification, identification, & verification of known and unknown materials by using advanced field-survey instruments & equipment, functioning within the incident management system, selecting & using the proper specialized chemical personal protective equipment provided to the hazardous materials technician, hazard and risk assessment techniques, performing advanced control, containment, and/or confinement operations within the capabilities of the resources & PPE available, decontamination procedures, basic chemical, radiological, & toxicological terminology & behavior, & developing site safety & control plans.

The state exam will be given at the end of the course.

Cost: \$ 565.00

Dates: March 11-12 & 18-19, 2017
October 16-20, 2017

Hazardous Materials: Technician “B”

This 40-hour course builds on the skills responders learned in Technician “A”. It prepares them for responding to more advanced hazardous materials spills and releases. The course gives students more scenario-based incidents while functioning within wider scope management systems using NIMS. Students will spend more time working with haz-mat PPE, monitors and other detection equipment.

The state exam will be given at the end of the course.

Cost: \$ 565.00

Dates: November 6-10, 2017

Prerequisite for certification: Haz-Mat Technician “A”

Students who attend Haz-Mat Tech. “A” & “B” in the same year will receive a \$ 75.00 discount off their Tech. “B” tuition!

(please mention this when registering for Trench Tech.)

We can offer Hazardous Materials courses at your department or location that you specify. We can also offer them to your department in a nightly or weekend format to fit into your schedules. Please call for information.

Why make the trip all the way to us when we can come to you??



Our Driver / Operator courses follow the OSFM curriculums and augment them with quality instruction in how to safely and competently create proficiency in the very important art of driving and pumping fire service apparatus. Whether it is the in-depth classroom and hands-on instruction of our F.A.E course, or the far overdue safety of the Fire Service Vehicle Operator course, the RFA is dedicated and proven to giving the fire service expert driver / operators exactly what they need.

Fire Apparatus Driver / Operator

Fire Apparatus Engineer (F.A.E.)

This 5-day program is an excellent course for new pump operators or for existing pump operators who want to add to their knowledge base or increase their confidence in pumping apparatus. Classroom and hands-on instruction will cover principles of pumping, mechanical principles of pumps, functions and operations of the fire pump and its accessories, hydrant operations, basic water systems and individual hydrant testing, basic principles of discharge hydraulics, fire stream development by the pump operator, which will include single line, multiple line, master stream, elevated stream, standpipe, sprinkler system situations, intake hydraulics, hydrant operations, & drafting. It is a course that no pump operator should be without! Day 5 is for the state exam only. The state exam will be given on the last day of the course.

Cost: \$ 450.00

Dates: April 10-14, 2017
June 19-23, 2017
September 18-22, 2017
October 23-27, 2017

Prerequisite for certification: Firefighter II / Basic Operations Firefighter & students must also complete the FAE driving skills test at their home department

Fire Service Vehicle Operator

This eye-opening 8-hour state certified course is designed to help train the driver / operator in how to safely drive fire service apparatus ranging from small vehicles to pumpers and aerial trucks. Students will receive classroom instruction in traffic laws as they relate to emergency vehicles and safe defensive driving techniques. Students will also receive a sort-of "train-the-trainer" on how to set-up and perform the NFPA driver's course with emergency apparatus so that they can take it back to their departments. It's a course that no driver / operator should be without! This important course is a co-requisite for the Basic Operations Firefighter AND the Advanced Technician Firefighter course.

Cost: \$ 150.00

Dates: March 23, 2017
May 25, 2017
September 16, 2017
November 2, 2017

Prerequisite for certification: Students who complete the FSVO classroom portion and pass the state exam can become certified as a "FSVO Provisional." To become fully certified students must also complete the FSVO driving skills test at their home department.

Fire Apparatus Driver / Operator Courses

FSVO & FAE Driving Skills Course

driving obstacle course AND the road driving test before they can become fully certified. These driving tests are not done during the regularly scheduled FSVO & FAE classes. Traditionally students had to go back to their home departments to complete these tests, which at times were not done in a timely manner, and held up the students' certifications. To help facilitate this, the RFA is offering this training session for FAE & FSVO students who need to complete their driving skills test. Students who register will be contacted by the RFA to choose a one-hour time slot where they will come to our training location with a pumper apparatus from their home department and perform both the driving obstacle course and the road test. Both tests shouldn't take more than an hour.

These driving tests will qualify for FSVO AND FAE. Students who have attended both classes will not have to do the skills tests twice. Also, the tests can be performed prior to attending FSVO / FAE and will still count for certification provided that students attended FSVO / FAE and pass the state exam within a year of doing the driving tests.

Cost: \$ 80.00

Dates: November 4, 2017

Test slots will run from 8 am – 5 pm. Students who register will be contacted by RFA after registration to secure which one-hour time slot they would like.





The RFA offers our EMS courses with experienced and professional instructors to ensure we provide quality education.

The RFA can provide CPR and First Aid courses for your entire department or your business. Please contact us for more information.

E.M.S. Courses

Emergency Medical Technician (EMT-B)

Our EMT course is fully compliant with the standards set forth by the Illinois Department of Public Health utilizing the new 2013 updated curriculum. Upon completion of the course and the state exam, students will be licensed as an Illinois EMT. All classroom topics will be reinforced by extensive hands-on skills that will give the students the confidence to perform as a pre-hospital care-giver. Students will also be required to complete clinical time in a hospital emergency department and in-field ride time on Romeoville Fire Dept. ambulances. An advantage to our course is that students do not have to pay a per credit hour fee as with most community colleges making our course a financially sensible choice. Healthcare Provider CPR course is included in the program. All textbooks are included in the course tuition. For classes 1016 & 0417 class meets every Monday & Thursday evenings 6 pm – 10 pm. For class 0217 class meets every Saturday from 8 am—5 pm.

Cost: \$ 975.00

Dates: Class # 1: May 1-October 16, 2017
Class # 2: September 9, 2016-February 24, 2018
Class # 3: November 2, 2017-April 17, 2018

C.P.R. Certification

Many dates are available for Heartsaver CPR, Infant / Child CPR, & Basic Life Support CPR. We also offer all CPR levels in Spanish. Please call for dates, or for a copy of our CPR schedule. You may also see the dates on our website at www.romeoville.org/fireacademy.aspx. All courses are certified through the American Heart Association.

Cost: \$ 44.00 for Heartsaver adult CPR & AED
\$ 44.00 for Pediatric & Infant CPR & First-Aid
\$ 74.00 for Basic Life Support

Dates: Numerous. Please call or check website.



E.M.S. Courses

C.P.R. Instructor Course

Our CPR Instructor Course is unique compared to other programs in that our program is held to one 4-hour day. All materials are provided by the course.

Cost: \$ 150.00

Dates: May 20, 2017

Prerequisite: Must possess a valid Healthcare Provider CPR card



Did you know that just about all RFA courses are approved for qualified veterans to receive Montgomery GI Bill educational benefits?

The RFA is committed to helping veterans with any of their educational needs, including aiding in filling out GI Bill educational forms! Call for details.

Train for the Cure

The Romeoville Fire Academy is proud to support our Train for the Cure Campaign where we raise money and awareness for Breast Cancer research and treatment every October — and YOU can be part of it!!

Simply attend any RFA course in the month of October and a portion of your tuition will be donated to the American Cancer Society's Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Foundation!!



The Romeoville Fire Academy is International!!!

In the past several years the Romeoville Fire Academy has helped train firefighters and emergency responders from Guatemala, Ecuador, Mexico, Colombia, Argentina, Jamaica, Brazil, Chile, Canada, and Trinidad & Tobago.

Not only has the RFA hosted these students, but we've traveled to some of these countries to train them right there in their home countries!

The RFA has partnered with an incredible charity called Hearts In Motion. They do amazing work in Central and South America in many different areas such as providing medical services and clinics, construction, reparative surgeries, speech therapy, and yes, **FIREFIGHTER TRAINING!!**

You really don't get a feel for how little these fighters have until you see it for yourself—and you don't realize how much we have that we take for granted — like all of our old equipment we have just laying around.

You can help your brother and sister firefighters in Central and South America by donating your old unused equipment. What we see as junk laying around, they see as vital and direly needed pieces of equipment. You can donate things like hose, small tools & equipment, SCBA, old turnout gear, extrication equipment, old EMS supplies, and even old but usable uniform items! Nothing is too small!

If you are interested in donating equipment please call Jon Ibrahim at the Romeoville Fire Academy at 815-372-4042 or call Hearts In Motion directly at 219-924-2446. You can drop the equipment off in Romeoville, at Hearts In Motion in Munster, In., or someone might even be able to come pick it up!

Interested in international instructor opportunities, or helping in medical clinics or hospitals? Travel with us on these exciting adventures!!

To find out more about what Hearts In Motion is all about, or to volunteer to help with international firefighter training, please check them out at www.heartsinmotion.org



Academy General Information

Registration

Online: Register right on our website at <http://www.romeoville.org/fireacademy.aspx>

By Phone: Please call Academy staff for registration at (815) 372-4042.

Off-Site Courses

The RFA can offer just about any of our courses at your department or location that you specify. We can also offer them to your department in a nightly or weekend format to fit into your schedules. Please call for information.

Customized Training

The RFA can design a course for your department to meet your needs for recruit training, officer development, auto extrication, pump operations, EMS, truck & engine company operations, haz-mat, or anything else you need!

Payment Information

If your department is making payment: Your department can prepay by submitting a purchase order number prior to the course, otherwise they will be billed at the conclusion of the course.

If you are making payment out of pocket: Course tuition must be paid in full by the end of the course. Students who do not make payment by the end of the course will not have their paperwork sent to the state and their names will be removed from the course roster until payment is made. Credit card payments can be made during the class or prior to the course over the phone by calling (815)372-4042. Cash or personal check payments can also be made during the class.

Deposits & Pre-payments: Students must make a pre-paid deposit of \$ 200.00 for the Basic Operations Firefighter Academy & RICO course, and \$ 150.00 for the EMT courses to secure their slot in the course. Registration slots are not secure until deposit is made. Students from out of state or country must pay class tuition in full prior to the class. Deposits & tuition are fully refundable provided the student cancels from the course within the appropriate time frame, typically 72 hours before the course and one week for BOF & EMT

CPR courses require full tuition payment prior to registration being complete.

The RFA proudly accepts the Illinois Fire Chiefs Association scholarship payments.



G.I. Bill / V.A. Educational Funding

Programs are approved by the Illinois State Approving Agency for the enrollment of qualified veterans and/or other eligible persons to receive Montgomery GI Bill education benefits. Please call the R.F.A. or the Illinois V.A. directly at 217-785-4578 for more info.



In 2017 the Romeoville Fire Academy will continue to expand to meet the training needs of firefighters across the state of Illinois!



The Romeoville Fire Academy has formed a partnership with the Dwight Fire Protection District to deliver high quality training in a different area of the state. Courses at the southwest campus began in 2016 and we will continue to offer additional firefighting, TRT, and officer classes at the southwest campus throughout 2017.

The Dwight Fire Protection District was able to secure an outstanding and unique training site at the former correctional facility located in Dwight. This amazing training site will be utilized for all hands on southwest campus courses.

For information on upcoming southwest campus courses please visit our website www.romeoville.org/fireacademy.aspx or call (815) 372-4042



The Romeoville Training Alliance

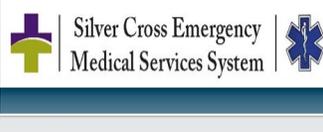
No organization is successful on their own; it takes the collaboration of many entities working together. The Romeoville Training Alliance was created in that spirit. The Alliance is comprised of several entities that are separate independent organizations who realize working together leads to success for all members far greater than it would working alone.

Romeoville Training Alliance Members



Our partner in the delivery of the Fire Officer I & II programs

www.rasmussen.edu



Our Training Center (TC) for our successful CPR program

www.eehealth.org/ems



Our partner/EMS System with our EMT program

www.eehealth.org/ems



Our partner with our RICO program

www.ricofirerescue.com



Our partner with our water rescue programs

www.djscuba.com



Our partner with our international training program

www.heartsinmotion.org



Our partner with the Southwest Campus expansion

www.dwightfire.org

If your agency is interested in becoming part of the Romeoville Training Alliance please contact Executive Director Matt Campbell at 815-372-4042.



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