

# **CRAWFORD-VENANGO COUNTY FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION**



**September 9 & 10, 2017  
CAMBRIDGE SPRINGS, PA**

**Cambridge Springs High School  
641 Venango Ave., Cambridge Springs, PA 16403**

Cooperating Resources:

Crawford & Venango County Commissioners

Crawford County EMA

Crawford County Firemen's Association

Venango County Firemen's Association

Butler County Community College

Pennsylvania State Fire Academy Local Level

Penncrest School District

Northwestern R.E.C. Co-op

**Registration:**

Registration fees must accompany the registration form and must be received by **August 21, 2017**. Any late registrations will be assessed a \$20.00 charge. All courses will be filled on a first come basis. Each registration **MUST** include a second choice course selection. The Fire School Committee reserves the right to cancel any course prior to the start time. All registration fees must be paid in advance or on Saturday morning, or student **WILL NOT** be allowed in class.

**Fees - includes lunch:**

All Students.....\$60/2 days  
Late Fee.....\$20

**Make checks payable to:**

Crawford-Venango Counties Fire School

**Mail checks and registration to:**

David Darling, Registration Secretary  
112 Black Oak Drive  
Cheswick, PA 15024  
email: bearblaster1313@hotmail.com

**Chief's Authorization:**

In authorizing a student to attend the school, the Chief certifies that the student:

- A. Meets the qualifications/requirements to attend.
- B. Has working papers
- C. Is covered by his/her company's workman's compensation while attending this training.
- D. T.O.G. and equipment used meets N.F.P.A. or O.S.H.A. Standards.



- **NO Smoking on the grounds of Cambridge Springs High School.**
- **NO Facial hair permitted in classes using SCBA.**
- **NO Alcoholic beverages permitted on fire school grounds during class times.**
- **NO Refunds will be made unless both class choices are cancelled.**
- **All registration fees must be paid in advance or on Saturday morning, or students WILL NOT be allowed in class.**
- **Be sure to include an active e-mail address. No confirmations are sent back to fire departments. If you don't hear from the fire school by e-mail or phone you have received your 1st choice.**
- **The fire school committee reserves the right to remove any disruptive or uncooperative student from class, without refunding a department's site fee for that student.**



## **Fire/HazMat Prerequisite Abbreviations**

<b>BVRT.....</b>	<b>PA Vehicle Rescue Technician</b>
<b>EBM.....</b>	<b>PA Essentials of Fire Fighting: 88 Hours</b>
<b>ELEF.....</b>	<b>Exterior Firefighter</b>
<b>ELFG.....</b>	<b>Fire Ground Support</b>
<b>ELIF.....</b>	<b>Interior Firefighter</b>
<b>ELIS.....</b>	<b>Introduction to Fire Service</b>
<b>FF1.....</b>	<b>Fire Fighter 1</b>
<b>HMO.....</b>	<b>Current Hazardous Materials Operations or Refresher</b>
<b>ICS.....</b>	<b>Incident Command System /NIMS for the Fire Service</b>
<b>IS-700.....</b>	<b>NIMS, an Introduction</b>
<b>ISSET.....</b>	<b>Employee Safety &amp; Extinguisher Training</b>
<b>PUOP.....</b>	<b>Pump Operations I</b>
<b>RITC.....</b>	<b>Rapid Intervention Team (4 Hr Course)</b>
<b>SCBA.....</b>	<b>Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus</b>
<b>SFR.....</b>	<b>Structure Fire Rescue</b>
<b>SURV.....</b>	<b>Firefighter Survival</b>
<b>TOG.....</b>	<b>Turn-Out Gear</b>



## Introduction to Basic Firemanship

**16 Hours**

This course is designed to cover the subjects in which an individual will encounter in the fire service. It also will introduce the student to skills they will be required to perform as a firefighter. Class will also include Electrical Emergencies and Introduction to Safety and the Training System.

***Student Needs: TOG Required both days***

**SCBA Required on Sunday only**

Instructor: Jim Pratt

***\* Firefighters 14 and up may attend \****

**NO FACIAL HAIR PERMITTED**



## Legal Aspects Series

**16 Hours**

This 3-class series will give current and future command level officers guidance when dealing with some of the legal issues that may arise in the course of their responsibilities. Students will receive a Butler County certificate.

### **LEGAL ASPECTS OF FIRE COMMAND**

This 8-hour class will discuss the impact current laws, NFPA and OSHA standards, Mutual Aid agreements, SOG's, SOO's, SOG's, SRG's and other real issues have on Fire Command Officer's management/control of fires and other emergency incidents. It will also provide a structure to perform an analysis of risk exposures (i.e. legal, financial and practical) as well as identifying critical legal and command control problems facing Chief Officers in Pennsylvania.

### **WRITING F. D. SOO's/SOG's/SOP's/SRG's/DRG's**

4 hours long, this will provide a course of study and knowledge development for Fire Officers and those who intend on being Tactical or Command Officers, to develop a professional knowledge of the current methods of policy and procedure development.

### **PROFESSIONAL CHALLENGES: OFF-DUTY CONDUCT AND ELECTRONIC MEDIA**

Also at 4 hours, this will provide a course of study and knowledge development for Command Officers and those who intend on being Command Officers, to understand the sophisticated legal issues and risk management problems relating to off-duty conduct and the use of electronic media devices and social media communications as a result of fire service operations and functions.

***Student Needs: Note-taking materials,  
copy of their departments SOG's, SOP's, etc.***

***Prerequisite: Student should be a senior firefighter or line officer.***

Instructor: Kim Houser • Class Limit: 30 Students

**For more information contact Jim Wetzel, Director  
814-758-0585 or email: [jwetzel@franklinpa.gov](mailto:jwetzel@franklinpa.gov)**

## Rapid Intervention Crew Exercises (RICE)

**16 Hours**



This is a practical exercise course teaching the actual operations performed by Rapid Intervention Teams and the techniques used to complete rescues of downed personnel. Because of today's contents in buildings, construction techniques, and environment; we are seeing more and more hostile fire events, earlier collapses, and other situations that can trap, injure, or kill our own. Come learn the techniques to rescue them. Student should be proficient in interior fire operations, especially in search and rescue techniques.

**Student Needs: Full TOG, SCBA and a spare cylinder**

**Prerequisite: MANDATORY ELIF, EBM or FFI Certification**

**Recommended RITC, SFR, ICS and SURV**

**Instructor: Derek Long • Class Limit: 30 Students**

**Con-Ed: .5 Hours Clinical Patient Care and 5 Hours Other**  
**NO FACIAL HAIR PERMITTED**

**Direct Report to  
Townville VFD - Both Days  
Located at 33441 North Main St., Townville, PA 16360**

## Rural Fire Ground Water Movement (RFWM)

**16 Hours**



This course introduces the student to basic methods of water movement in the rural area for fire fighting. Tank trucks and large diameter hose are utilized. Safe, efficient and recommended methods are discussed, demonstrated, and practiced.

**Student Needs: TOG Required**

**Prerequisite: ELIS or ISET**

**Instructor: John Eckel • Class Limit: 30 students**

## Mass Casualty Incidents/Triage

**16 Hours**



This course will review Mass Casualty Incident plans, Triage and case reviews where MCI/Triage worked well as well as incidents that didn't go so well. The course will include practical exercises consisting of table-top scenarios as well as actual hands-on training.

**Student Needs: Pen/Pencil and notebook**

**Prerequisite: None**

**Instructor: Don Erbin, Jr. • Class Limit: 30 Students**

**Con-ed credits applied for**

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## Emergency Vehicle Operator Training (EVOT)

**16 Hours**



A large number of emergency service personnel and civilians are injured and killed each year as a result of inappropriately driven emergency vehicles. Participants in this course will have the opportunity to gain and/or verify a broad range of competencies associated with the emergency vehicle driving. These competencies include basic understanding of emergency vehicle operations as well as the skills necessary for practical and safe application of driving on a competency course.

**Prerequisite: Must be 18 years old on first day of class**

Instructor: Dave Watkins • Class Limit: 24 Students

**Con-Ed Hours 12.5 Hours under Other**



## Fire Dynamics and Reading Smoke

**16 Hours**



Fire Dynamics Fundamentals (4 hours) and Fire Dynamics-Strategy and Tactics (4 hours), are PA. State Fire Academy classes. Delivered on Saturday, they include some of the latest research from NIST and UL on modern fire behavior and fuel loads in structures. Sunday, this information will be instrumental in the presentation of Reading Smoke in Buildings. Both days will include classroom lecture and discussion which pertains to sizing up structures and reading smoke conditions taken from various case studies. Students will receive two PSFA certificates and 1 BC3 certificate..

**Student Needs: Note-taking Materials**

**Prerequisite (Recommended): ELIF, EBM or FF I certification**

Instructor: Mark Stowe • Class Limit: 30 Students

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Enter check number, how paid by below:

Relief check # \_\_\_\_\_ Fire Dept. check# \_\_\_\_\_ M.O.# \_\_\_\_\_

***Make all checks out to: Crawford-Venango Counties Fire School***

Send application and check to: Crawford-Venango Counties Fire School



David Darling, Registration Secretary

112 Black Oak Drive

Cheswick, PA 15024

email: bearblaster1313@hotmail.com

### **Crawford-Venango Counties Fire School '17 Classes**

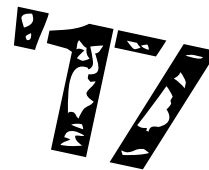
<b>Class #</b>	<b>Course Name</b>	<b>Instructor</b>
1	Introduction to Basic Firemanship	Jim Pratt
2	Legal Aspects Series	Kim Houser
3	Rapid Intervention Crew Exercises (RICE)	Derek Long
4	Rural Fire Ground Water Movement (RFWM)	John Eckel
5	Mass Casualty Incidents/Triage	Don Erbin, Jr.
6	Emergency Vehicle Operator Training (EVOT)	Dave Watkins
7	Fire Dynamics and Reading Smoke	Mark Stowe
8	Aviation Rescue & Firefighting For The Structural Firefighter	Rick Robie
9	Wilderness First Aid	Gerard Glock
10	Basement Fires & Flameover/ Flashover Recognition	Al Wickline

You **MUST** read the **attached brochure** pertaining to **ALL** class prerequisites and any special instructions regarding each specific class.

You **MUST** use the above class numbers when registering for choice #1 & #2.



# Crawford-Venango Counties Fire School Application



**DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION IS August 21, 2017**

**Department Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Names to be **PRINTED** and **LEGIBLE** as they are to be on the certificate.

For class choices - use **ONLY** the **NUMBER** of the class.

-----**All Applicants must select (2) choices**-----

**Name of Applicant:**

**Class Choice:**  
**1st 2nd**

**Jr. Fireman:**  
**(yes or no)**

**Age:**

Name of Applicant:	Class Choice: 1st	Class Choice: 2nd	Jr. Fireman: (yes or no)	Age:

*If you need space for more names, feel free to attach another page to this.*

I hereby certify that those listed above are active firemen in our department, meet the class pre-requisites and are covered by our department insurance.

**STUDENTS REGISTERED FOR CLASSES 3, 8 & 10 MUST PROVIDE A  
COPY OF THEIR CERTIFICATE FOR ONE OF THE PREREQUISITES LISTED.  
THIS COPY MUST BE SENT ALONG WITH THE REGISTRATION.**

Fire Chief's Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Fire Chief's Name (sign): \_\_\_\_\_

Fire Chief's phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Fire Chief's active email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

• Total Number of persons attending \_\_\_\_\_ @\$60 ea. =\$ \_\_\_\_\_

• Late Fee (will be assessed after the deadline) \_\_\_\_\_ @\$20 ea. =\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total amount remitted =\$ \_\_\_\_\_**

*Receipts will be mailed to the e-mail address listed above for Relief Association documentation purposes.*



## Aviation Rescue & Firefighting For The Structural Firefighter

16 Hours



This course, developed by past Chief Rick Robie of the Erie Airport, is designed to educate structural firefighters in the proper rescue and firefighting techniques to be used when confronted with an aviation incident. It will introduce them to the special hazardous conditions encountered with an aircraft accident. These include special fuels, aircraft components and construction, types of aircraft crashes, proper extinguishing techniques, extinguishing agents, rescue procedures, mass casualties, mutual aid/multi agency response and site investigation. Butler County Community College's helicopter simulator will provide live fire scenarios on day 2 of the class. A Butler County certificate will be issued for this class.

**Student Needs: Full TOG/PPE, SCBA w/ spare cylinder & note-taking materials**

**Prerequisite: MANDATORY ELIF, EBM OR FFI Certification**

Instructor: Rick Robie • Class Limit: 24 students

**NO FACIAL HAIR PERMITTED**



## Wilderness First Aid

20 Hours



This course will provide classroom and field experience dealing with wilderness emergencies. Topics include first aid, emergency shelters, providing patient care with minimal supplies, extricating victims and a variety of hands-on field exercises.

**Note\*\*\*\*This course is 20 hours and will require attendance on Friday night at the Fire School grounds at 6:00 PM.\*\*\*\***

**Student Needs: Pen/Pencil and notebook**

**Prerequisite: None**

Instructor: Gerard Glock • Class Limit: 30 Students

**Con-Ed: 12.5 Hours Clinical Patient Care & 4 Hours Other**

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## **Basement Fires and Flameover/ Flashover Recognition**

**16 Hours**



This live fire training course is for the Experienced Firefighter and focuses on specific fire ground situations. This course will focus on the proper techniques for advancing hose lines down into hot, unventilated basement fires. Special emphasis will be placed on recognizing the signs of an impending flashover, and how to correct these situations to prevent a flashover from occurring and entrapping firefighters.

***Student Needs: Full TOG/PPE and SCBA with spare cylinder required***

***Prerequisite: MANDATORY ELIF, EBM OR FFI Certification***

Instructor: Al Wickline • Class Limit: 24 students

**NO FACIAL HAIR PERMITTED**

**Direct Report to  
Saegertown VFD - Sunday Only  
Located at 601 Erie St., Saegertown, PA 16433**



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**Snacks, donuts and drinks**

**(coffee, soda, water, Gatorade and energy drinks)**

**will be provided by**

**the Crawford County**

**Fireman's Ladies' Auxiliary**

**at minimal cost during  
the weekend.**



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## ***The following are IMPORTANT changes to the 2017 Fire School:***

- 1.) NO FACIAL HAIR PERMITTED in classes 1, 3, 8 & 10.
- 2.) Class sizes are limited to 30 students. The fire school committee has the right to limit the number of students per department.
- 3.) The advanced classes (6, 8 & 10) are limited to 24 students.
- 4.) Class rosters will be filled from your applications, from the top to the bottom.
- 5.) Your name will be on the certificate as it appears on the application form. Make sure the spelling is CORRECT and LEGIBLE.
- 6.) **STUDENTS REGISTERED FOR CLASSES 3, 8 & 10 MUST PROVIDE A COPY OF THEIR CERTIFICATE FOR ONE OF THE PREREQUISITES LISTED. THIS COPY MUST BE SENT ALONG WITH THE REGISTRATION.**
- 7.) **Be sure to include an active e-mail address, receipts will be e-mailed for Relief Association documentation purposes.**



# September 9 & 10, 2017 CAMBRIDGE SPRINGS, PA

## Class Times:

Saturday 0800-1700 hours

Sunday 0800-1700 hours

## Site Fees:

All Students.....\$60/2 days

Late Fee .....\$20

## Make checks payable to:

Crawford-Venango Counties Fire School

**NO SHOW • NO REFUND • NO EXCUSES**

**Last day to register: August 21, 2017**

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*Camping available at carnival grounds with restrooms and showers.*

## CRAWFORD-VENANGO FIRE SCHOOL

# LODGING

Need a place to stay?



### Cambridge Springs:

- Bethany Guest House  
[maps.google.com](https://maps.google.com)  
(814) 398-2046
- Rider Hill Inn  
Bed & Breakfast  
[maps.google.com](https://maps.google.com)  
(814) 398-4249



### Edinboro:

- Edinboro Lake Resort  
[www.edinborolakesort.com](http://www.edinborolakesort.com)  
(814) 434-3307
- Comfort Suites  
[www.comfortsuites.com](http://www.comfortsuites.com)  
(814) 969-7000
- Cloverleaf Motel  
[www.cloverleafmotel.com](http://www.cloverleafmotel.com)  
(814) 734-1269



### Meadville:

- Days Inn Conference Center  
(814) 337-4264
- Holiday Inn Express Hotel  
(814) 724-6012
- Econo Lodge Meadville  
(814) 724-6366
- Quality Inn Meadville  
(814) 333-8883
- Hampton Inn Meadville  
(814) 807-1446