

U.S. Fire Administration / National Fire Academy

## *Warning: Hot Coffee!*

### **Hot Topic: Fire Protection Systems for Emergency Operations**

**Learning objective:** The student shall be able to apply to attend a U.S. Fire Administration National Fire Academy course on fire protection systems and emergency operations.

Your first visit to a fire protection equipment control room can be overwhelming. During emergencies, though, your knowledge of how these systems work is absolutely essential to a successful incident outcome.

The U.S. Fire Administration's National Fire Academy offers a 6-day class, *Fire Protection Systems for Emergency Operations*, emphasizing knowledge of the fire protection features that are installed in buildings, how these systems work, and how their proper use will assist in achieving strategic and tactical success. Formerly called *Fire Protection Systems for Incident Commanders*, the course has been renamed to attract the broadest possible emergency responder audience.

Course topics include developing model preincident plans; the importance of collecting and sharing information with other emergency responders; and understanding the fundamental operations, strengths, and limitations of built-in fire protection features including fire-resistive construction, automatic sprinklers, standpipes, fire pumps, fire detection and alarm systems, smoke management systems, and special hazard and integrated fire protection features.



The renamed course will be offered during the weeks of April 29 to May 4 and July 22 to 27, 2007, at the National Fire Academy in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

The target audience includes command officers, company officers, and those acting in that capacity. In addition, those officers who are upwardly mobile in their organizations, and will or may be in command positions in the near future, may attend.

For additional information, eligibility rules, prerequisites, and to apply for one of the two classes, visit <http://www.usfa.dhs.gov/training/nfa/resident/>