Memorandum



DATE: May 6, 2016

Honorable Members of the Public Safety Committee:
Adam Medrano (Chair), B. Adam McGough (Vice Chair), Sandy Greyson, Tiffinni A. Young,
Jennifer S. Gates, Philip T. Kingston

SUBJECT: Training Division Overview

On Monday, May 9, 2016, you will be briefed on the Dallas Fire-Rescue Training Division by Deputy Chief Frank C. McKinley of the Dallas Fire-Rescue Department.

The briefing materials are attached for your review.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

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Assistant City Manager

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cc: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council A.C. Gonzalez, City Manager Christopher D. Bowers, (I) City Attorney Craig D. Kinton, City Auditor Rosa A. Rios, City Secretary Daniel F. Solis, Administrative Judge Ryan S. Evans, First Assistant City Manager

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DALLAS FIRE-RESCUE DEPARTMENT

Training Division Overview

Public Safety Committee May 9, 2016





MISSION STATEMENT

To provide training for new and incumbent members to ensure that Dallas Fire-Rescue (DFR) remains prepared to respond to any emergency incident and provide the best customer service possible:

New Recruits

In-Service



DFR fire recruit training exceeds the Texas Commission on Fire Protection's (TCFP) minimum training curriculum of 468 hours.

TCFP curriculum topics include:

- Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA)
- Forcible Entry
- Ventilation
- Communications
- Building Construction



TCFP curriculum topics continued:

- Search and Rescue
- Fire Science
- Flashover
- Fire Hose Use
- Incident Management
- Hazardous Materials



In addition to the TCFP topics, the recruits are trained on topics which are unique to our department. DFR requires additional training for a total curriculum exceeding 900 hours.

Training topics include:

- High-Rise Firefighting
- DART/ DART Tunnel
- Love Field and Dallas Executive Airport
- Diversity Training



DFR recruit training entails various physical training exercises and timed skills:

- Timed 1.5 Mile Run
- Timed Ventilation Skill
- Timed High-Rise Tower Climb
- Daily Physical and Skills Training
- Ladder Climb





DFR recruit instructors provide extensive live fire training instruction per TCFP guidelines.

During the typical training day, DFR instructors stage unannounced fires in the burn building to simulate life at the fire station.

Instructors provide feedback and coaching to ensure optimum performance.







RECRUIT BURN NIGHT

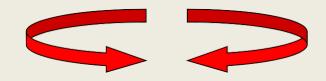
Each recruit class has a burn night where family and friends are invited for a demonstration of techniques, which includes skills such as rescue, fire attack, and ventilation learned during the academy. This allows the recruits to showcase their newly learned skills upon completion of the Academy.

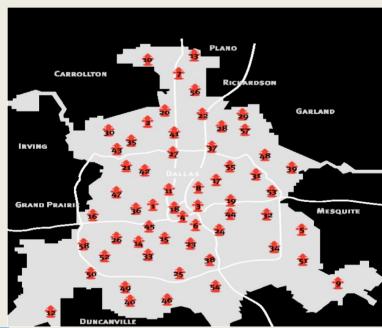


Recruits are required to have emergency medical response training in order to obtain a Basic Structure Fire Protection certification from the Texas Commission on Fire Protection. DFR recruits must successfully complete the Emergency Medical Technician course (272 hours) provided through Brookhaven Community College.



Graduation-learning never ends









The Program Goals of In-Service Training

- Maximize the professional and safety aspects of all Fire and EMS personnel through standardization of training.
- Provide all members a mechanism for continual professional development and growth.
- Disseminate information on new innovations in the firefighting profession.

Goals continued:

- Reinforce, refresh and retrain on various skills to deliver quality service to our citizens.
- Enhance our system for documenting the academic and skills training each member receives annually.
- To achieve the training standards required by the Texas Commission on Fire Protection.

Training modules are developed and delivered at the Training Center 2 to 3 times per year:

- Officer Development
- SCBA
- MayDay Survival
- Search and Rescue
- Vehicle Extrication
- Thermal Imager



Training Topics for 2016 include:

- Active Shooter
- Self Contained Breathing Apparatus
- Survival Skills
- Rapid Intervention Team- Pak



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Fire Officer I and Fire Instructor I Certification Training provides newly promoted and veteran fire officers with supervisory tools that enhance their ability to supervise employees and manage emergency incidents.

Topics taught include:

- Leadership/Legal Issues
- Simulation Training
- Employee Coaching and Counseling
- DFR and City of Dallas Policies



AFFILIATIONS

DFR Training Officers continually strive to enhance training through membership and participation in local and national training associations such as Fire Instructors Association of North Texas (FIANT).

These associations permit DFR Training Officers to keep up on the latest trends in fire and EMS service related instruction.

TRAINING DIVISION OVERVIEW

Questions?

