

Legal Aspects of the Fire Service (LAFS) 16 Hours



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Course Title: Legal Aspects of the Fire Service, **SFA Course Code:** LAFS **Length of Course:** 16 Hours

Prerequisites: None

Referenced Texts: Supplied

Course Goal: To help individuals understand general legal ramifications of the Fire Department office as well as the general liability of the Fire Department relative to the home municipality.

Description of Course: This is a must course for all emergency service personnel. In today's society we have become more vulnerable to litigation than ever before, as evidenced by the number of law suits filed in Pennsylvania against Fire and Ambulance Departments. There are Fire Departments and Ambulance Departments being sued in Pennsylvania. It is in your own personal best interest, and in the best interest of the municipality, that you plan to attend this seminar. The object of this course is to give you a working knowledge of the various statutes, case law decisions and ordinances that directly affect the operation of volunteer fire, rescue or ambulance organizations.

The class is structured so as to help you understand the general legal ramifications of your office, as well as your fire department's basic operations. Decisions are made, at the scene of an emergency, not only by officers but by non-officers as well, and these decisions will be subject to close scrutiny, if a law suit is ultimately filed by some unhappy third party. In this day and age one must be able to protect oneself on the fire ground legally, as well as physically.

Each individual enrolled should bring a copy of his Standard Operating Procedures, the department's By-laws and the department's Constitution.

Dates: September 7th (08:00 – 16:30), & 10th, & 11th; 18:30-22:30

Instructor: Lane

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REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Student Name : _____ Date of Birth ___/___/___ Age ___

Sponsoring Organization: _____ Sta. No. _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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(Student's Email Address)

(Student's Phone #)

CHIEF'S AUTHORIZATION

In authorizing a student to attend any York County Fire School-sponsored course, the Chief and/or Supervisor certifies that the student:

1. Meets the qualifications for attendance, including all necessary prerequisites.
2. Does not have any physical and/or other conditions that would prevent them from actively participating in all portions of the course.
3. The student is covered by Worker's Compensation Insurance.

Signature of AUTHORIZING PERSON: _____

E-mail address **OR** phone # for confirmation / class cancellation notification purposes only (**REQUIRED**):

Phone Number () _____ - _____ or _____ @ _____ . _____

Please mail or fax this completed form to the address or number listed above. PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY.

Thank you.