



Oakland County Training Committee

TRAINING NOTICE

The Art of Reading Smoke

COURSE NAME: The Art of Reading Smoke
COURSE DATE: April 2, 2022
COURSE TIME: 9:00AM-4:00PM
COURSE CODE: 2022-2-63-Q16B-0194
COURSE COST: FREE - SMOKE FUNDED
MUST BE NFIRS COMPLIANT

REGISTRATION: Register on the SMOKE System
Sponsored by Oakland County CTC
Preference given to Oakland County Fire Fighters

COURSE LOCATION: Oakland Community College
2900 Featherstone Road
Building G
Auburn Hills, MI 48326

COURSE MANAGER: Jason Deneau
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INSTRUCTOR: Dave Dodson - Lead instructor and course developer for the reading smoke curriculum, is a 34-year fire service veteran, starting his Fire Service Career with the U.S. Air Force. He served at Elmendorf AFB in Alaska and spent two years teaching at the USAF Fire School. After the USAF, Dave spent almost seven years as a Fire Officer and Training/Safety Officer for the Parker Fire District (CO).

He then became the first Career Training Officer for Loveland Fire & Rescue (CO) and rose through the ranks including time as a Company Officer, HazMat Technician, Duty Safety Officer, and Emergency Manager for the City. He accepted a Shift Battalion Chief position for the Eagle River Fire District in Colorado before starting his current company, Response Solutions, which is dedicated to teaching firefighter safety and practical incident handling.

DESCRIPTION: Fighting fires has never been more challenging. Composites, lightweight construction, engineered structures, and unusual fuels will cause hostile fires to burn hotter, faster, and less predictable. As a Fire Officer, or firefighter, you MUST be able to predict fire behavior and hostile fire events. If you don't or can't, firefighters will die or be critically injured. The key to predicting fire behavior is directly related to your ability to READ SMOKE as you arrive and begin firefighting operations. This class will help you discover the ART of READING SMOKE!

PRESENTED BY
Dave Dodson

