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# Fire Safe SC Community Goals

Reduce Home Fires - Promote Consistent Messages - Improve Data Quality - Provide Valued Resources

Fire Safe SC Community Designations are awarded annually. To be considered for 2025, all community goals listed below must be completed by Wednesday, Dec. 31, 2025.

## 1. Educate department members on community risk reduction.

- To meet the requirement, department members must complete **four different courses**.  
[🔗 View Classes Here](#)
- Each course counts as one of the four required. Multiple people from the same department taking the same course only count as one. Only one certificate per course counts toward the education goal. *Example: A Chief and a firefighter attend the CRR Summit - this counts as one course.*
- For credit, you must provide the course name, completion date, and certificate (if received).

## 2. Identify top three residential calls for service in 2024.

- What were the top three residential calls for service in 2024?
- What interventions were used to reduce them in 2025?  
(Engineering, Emergency Response, Economic Incentive, Enforcement, and/or Education).
- How are you measuring and evaluating these interventions?

## 3. Transition incident reporting/data collection from NFIRS to NERIS.

- Complete and upload NERIS worksheet.
- What date did the department on-board to NERIS?
- How did you use the data to reduce risk in your community?

## 4. Utilize the power of partnerships to reduce risk in the community.

- List any new partners you are working with this year.
- How are each new partner providing wealth, wisdom and/or work?
- What existing partnerships are being continued year after year?

## 5. Promote fire and life safety education.

- What groups from the community received fire and life safety education
- How many citizens were educated?
- List outreach types/methods used by your department.
- List any fire and life safety messages you promoted.

[Click here or scan the QR code to track your 2025 CRR activities.](#)



# Fire Safe South Carolina 2025 Orientation Briefing

Learn the requirements to become a FSSC Community.

This orientation is mandatory for a fire department interested in maintaining designation or earning it for the first time.

Virtual briefings offered each month February - November 2025

## Join at 11 a.m.

Tue Feb. 11	Thu July 24
Tue Mar. 11	Tue Sept. 9
Thu Apr. 3	Tue Sept. 23
Tue May 6	Thu Oct. 9
Tue June 3	Tue Nov. 4

## Join at 2 p.m.

Thu Feb. 20	Tue July 8
Tue Mar. 18	Tue Aug. 5
Thu Apr. 17	Tue Sept. 16
Tue May 13	Tue Oct. 14
Tue June 17	Tue Nov. 18

## Join us at 10 a.m.

Sat June 21  
Sat Aug. 16

## Join us at 7 p.m.

Tue Aug. 5  
Tue Nov. 4

Please join the WebEx meeting from your computer, tablet, or smartphone.

[Click here to join 2025 Orientation Briefing](#)

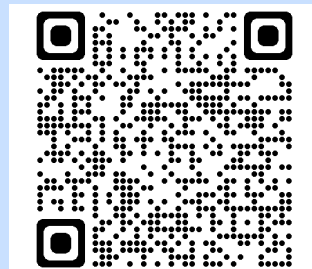
For accountability, you must be virtually present and have a screen for viewing the presentation.



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# CRR Curriculum

## SC Fire Academy



### 6505 SC Fire & Community Risk Reduction Summit

The Annual Fire & Community Risk Reduction Summit brings together local and national industry leaders to provide participants with valuable ideas and resources for targeted fire and life safety risk reduction in their communities. Learn from our national and local partners how to reduce the risk of fire and other life safety concerns for you and your community.

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### 4165 Fire and Life Safety Educator

This course takes each student to the NFPA 1035, "Standard for Professional Qualifications for Public Fire and Life Safety Educator" level. The course is designed for the individual who coordinates and delivers comprehensive community fire and injury prevention programs designed to eliminate or mitigate situations that endanger lives, health, property, or the environment. Subjects include: a history of fire prevention education, learning styles, methods for effective teaching, public relations, high-risk populations, professionalism, developing life safety curricula, as well as evaluation and assessment.

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### 5241 Fire and Life Safety Educator Quarterly

This course is designed to address the job performance requirements outlined in NFPA 1035 (Fire and Life Safety Educator). In addition to providing continuing education for fire and life safety educators, updates on state programs are given along with be an opportunity for professional networking.

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### 8617 Home Safety Visit Train the Trainer

This course provides the student with the knowledge to complete a basic community risk assessment. Participants discuss the importance of building relationships with community partners. This course also provides an in-depth look at the Fire Safe SC "core four" safety messages and resources needed to implement home safety visits in the community.

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No Registration  
Required

## **Intro to Sound Off with the Home Fire Safety Patrol**

Sound Off with the Home Fire Safety Patrol is a tested and proven approach to fire and life safety education. Learn how Home Fire Safety Patrol can aid students in your community about smoke alarms and help families stay safe from home fires. Students also learn how to spot and correct common home fire dangers and plan for a fast escape in case a home fire happens. The program supports a community approach to fire safety by forging partnerships among students, families, educators, fire personnel, and life safety educators. This introduction to Sound Off with the Home Fire Safety Patrol will provide a summary of the program, its resources, and a foundation for starting the program in your community.

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### **6101 End User Training**

Learn how to navigate the modules of fire incident reports, the purpose of NERIS, how to write a narrative, and how to gather information regardless of the situation. This class is ideal for those new to NERIS and a refresher for experienced users.

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### **6202 Administrator I**

Use your local data to solve your district's fire problem– and learn ways to get from “bad data” to “great data.” This class covers quality control, using web tools, and communication from the field to the report-writing process. This class is recommended for individuals who oversee their department's fire incident reporting process and the most advanced NERIS users.

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### **3203 Basic Fire Investigation**

This six-day, 48-hour course is designed to cover the basic principles and practices of fire investigation through NFPA 1033-Standard for Professional Qualifications for Fire Investigators and NFPA 921-Guide for Fire and Explosion Investigations. Topics include: Fire scene investigation methodology, scene safety, basic fire science, fire patterns, building systems, electrical systems, appliances, fuel systems, human behavior, origin determination, cause determination, classification of cause, legal considerations, evidence, and documentation.

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## **3209 Fire Investigation First Responder**

This two-day course is designed specifically to provide a clear definition of the role of first responders in fire investigation and provide essential knowledge to enable them to recognize the potential of intentionally set fires, preservation and protection of evidence, and proper reporting of information to appropriate officials. By strengthening the partnership between first responders and investigators, the chances for successfully solving arson-related crimes increases. The course topics include fire behavior, critical observations of the first responder, fire causes, scene security and evidence preservation, legal considerations, and documentation of findings.

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## **8612 ICC Fire Inspector Test Prep**

This four-day course is designed to assist individuals in preparing for the ICC Fire Inspector I, ICC Fire Inspector II, and ICC Fire Plans Examiner national certification examinations. Note: State Fire does not “train to the test,” and success on the ICC Fire Certification Exams will ultimately depend on the individual’s level of preparation, code knowledge, and familiarity with the stated certification exam references.

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## **8595 Fire Codes and Standards Training**

This four-hour training program familiarizes Fire Marshal candidates with specific rules, regulations, and statutes while working in South Carolina.

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# CRR Curriculum

## National Partners

### Vision 20/20



#### Vision 20/20 CRR Academy

CRR Academy is built with the entire organization in mind, providing a broad overview of high-level topics to a more focused approach to critical topics that lead to your success. This **free** resource allows department members to complete classes in a self-paced environment. A certificate is available for download after completion.

### National Fire Academy



#### Q0696 Introduction to Application of Data for Fire and Emergency Services

This course introduces emergency responders to the analysis and applications of data and information in planning for fire and emergency medical services (EMS) and community-based risk reduction efforts.

#### Q0843 Introduction to Community Risk Assessment

This online self-study course empowers the learner with a foundational understanding of the components, benefits, and processes of conducting risk assessments. As a prerequisite to the National Fire Academy (NFA) risk reduction program pathway, this course brings students to the same level of understanding about risk assessments as they progress into more advanced courses. This course uses realistic scenarios to expose students to real-life situations. Students can expect to receive a foundation in vocabulary, working with demographic and community data, and interacting with stakeholders.

#### Q0841 Introduction to Strategic Community Risk Reduction

This online self-study course empowers the learner with an understanding of what constitutes strategic community risk reduction (CRR). Students explore the history and evolution of fire prevention into all-hazards risk reduction. In addition to identifying the core components that build an effective CRR strategy, students learn how the process can help foster safe, healthy, prepared, and resilient communities.

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— Any NFA in-person community risk reduction courses.

Visit the NFA Course Catalog [here](#).

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# International Fire Service Training Association



## South Carolina - Essentials of Community Risk Reduction

Enrollment key: SC16474

Students, to access the course, please complete the following steps:

1. Click the above link to your course.
2. Login or create a new ResourceOne account.

**NOTE:** If you have purchased items from IFSTA, you have an account.

3. At this point, enter the "enrollment key" for the course. If you are unable to view, ensure you are logged in to register.
4. Return to this course by using the "My Courses" link at the top right of the page.

# SC Department of Health



## Safe Kids Child Passenger Safety Technician Certification

Join the team of more than 38,000 nationally certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians (CPST) and be that community advocate or resource in your community. As a CPS technician, put your knowledge to work through a variety of activities, including community presentations and/or child safety seat checks where parents and caregivers receive education and hands-on assistance with the proper use of child restraint systems and seat belts.

## Safe Kids Child Passenger Safety Summit

The Child Passenger Safety Summit offers training and certification for first responders and community volunteers. Participants have the opportunity to gain six Continuing Education Units (CEUs) needed for recertification in one day. Additionally, representatives from various car seat manufacturers will be on hand to answer any questions about their products.



**SOUND OFF**  
with the  
**HOME FIRE  
SAFETY  
PATROL!**



**Join us!**

Let the **Home Fire Safety Patrol** help your 2nd and 3rd grade students learn about smoke alarms and how families can stay safe from home fire.

## 2025 Virtual Introductions

Wednesday at 2 p.m.

February 19

April 16

June 18

August 13

October 22

Wednesday at 11 a.m.

March 26

May 21

July 16

September 24

November 12

Saturday at 11 a.m.

August 23

Wednesday at 7 p.m.

October 15

Join us for the  
2025 Sound Off  
Virtual Introduction



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# Regional Training

Register today to prepare for upcoming fire department incident reporting changes.

SC State Fire is hosting **FREE** three-hour regional training for the National Emergency Response Information System (NERIS) for those responsible for data entry. In **June 2025**, NERIS will replace the legacy NFIRS system. This training will provide valuable information regarding the onboarding process for your department and a preview of the new system.

**Registration is required. Due to limited space, complete registration only once per department (maximum of two attendees per department).**

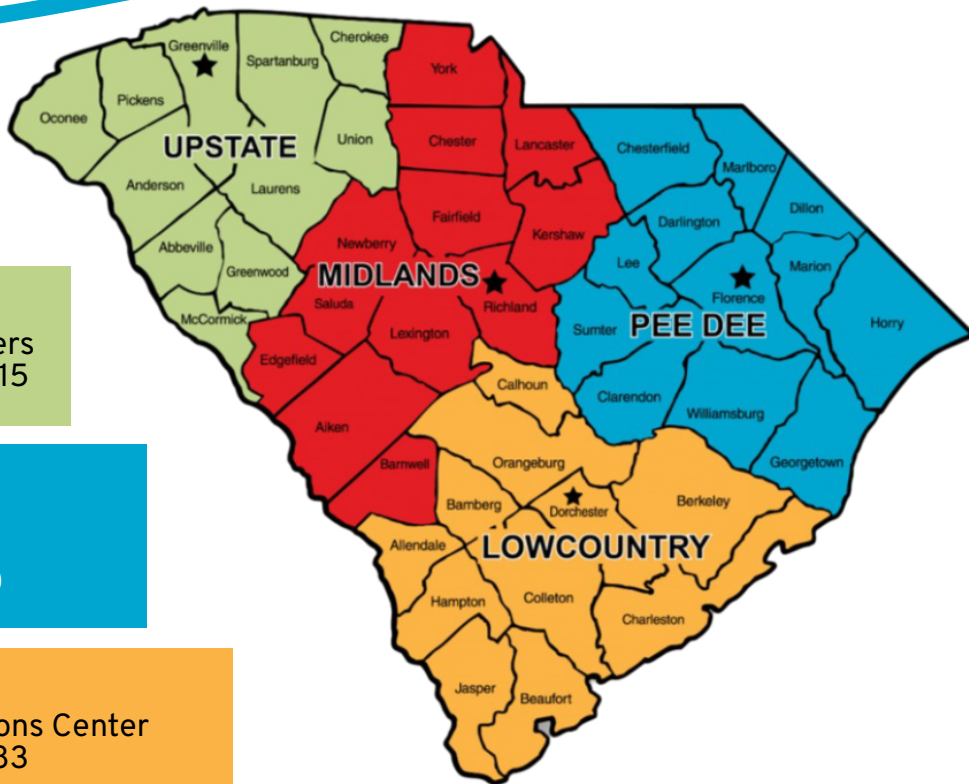
**Three offerings will be held each day at 10 a.m., 2 p.m., and 6 p.m.**

**Tuesday, April 15, 2025 - Upstate**  
Boiling Springs Fire District Headquarters  
505 Hartness Drive, Greenville, SC 29615

**Tuesday, April 29, 2025 - Pee Dee**  
South Lynches Fire Department  
Regional Training Facility  
115 Industrial Blvd, Lake City, SC 29560

**Tuesday, May 20, 2025 - Lowcountry**  
Dorchester County Emergency Operations Center  
212 Deming Way, Summerville, SC 29483

**Tuesday, May 27, 2025 - Midlands**  
South Carolina Fire Academy  
141 Monticello Trail, Columbia, SC 29203



**Click HERE  
or scan  
QR code  
to register!**



**Questions? [SCFIRS@lfr.sc.gov](mailto:SCFIRS@lfr.sc.gov)**



## 2025 Course Dates

**FEB  
10**

**JUL  
14**

**SEPT  
29**

**DEC  
08**

All courses are  
Monday 9am- 4pm  
and are held at:

**SC State Fire Academy**  
Denny Auditorium  
141 Monticello Trail, Bldg 5  
Columbia, SC 29203

Registration is open for all 2025 dates  
<https://fire.llr.sc.gov/Portal/NewLogin.aspx>



## Fire and Life Safety Educator Quarterly Training

This course is designed to address the job performance requirements outlined in NFPA 1035 (Fire and Life Safety Educator). In addition to providing continuing education for fire and life safety educators, updates on state programs will be given and there will be an opportunity for professional networking.

This class is also appropriate for public educators who work with emergency medical service and law enforcement agencies.



*NOTE: Attendees must attend 80% of class time (5 hours) in order to receive class credit.*

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Quarterly Training

# 2025 Home Safety Visit Train-the-Trainer

## Course Code 8617

Obtain the knowledge and resources needed to implement home safety visits in your fire district.

### State Fire Campus

Thursday, July 24  
9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 4  
6 - 9 p.m.

### Regional Offerings

9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Midway Fire Dept.  
Florence Fire Dept.  
Beech Island Vol. Fire Dept.

Thurs., March 27  
Mon., April 21  
Mon., Nov. 17

6 - 9 p.m.

Little Mountain Fire Dept.  
Bonham Fire Dept.

Tues., Aug. 19  
Thurs., Oct. 23

[Location and Time TBD- Aug. 21]



REGISTER TODAY!

