



Training Resources

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New continuing education requirements are in effect for this year's renewal!

Eighteen hours of continuing education are required plus an additional two hours for each discipline assignment.

Today, we look at some of the videos available for inspectors and investigators. If you are assigned as a code enforcement inspector or an investigator (including arson), we have several videos in our library that you may want to use to meet the additional two hour requirement.

Since there is a not a "certificate of completion" produced at the end of these videos, a commission certified instructor will have to verify and document the date and time that you view the training videos in order for it to be counted towards the continuing education requirement.

These videos range from 20-45 minutes in length so more than one video would be required to attain the additional two hours of training.

[CONDUCTING BASIC FIRE INSPECTIONS](#)

AV09-2313 Date Acquired: 9/3/2009 Length: 30:00 Format: DVD Author: FETN

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AV12-2582 Date Acquired: 2/14/2012 Length: 30:00 Format: DVD Author: FETN

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[FIRE INVESTIGATION](#)

AV11-2512 Date Acquired: 8/2/2011 Length: 28:00 Format: DVD Author: EMERGENCY FILM GROUP

This training program presents the investigation of fires. It covers fire behavior, the role suppression activities play in fire spread, how to search the scene for point of origin, tools required, fuel sources, the source of ignition, interviewing hints, and documenting the investigation. This 1995 program has been transferred to DVD format. A guide book accompanies the DVD. (c2002) View sample video clip online <http://www.efilmgroup.com/Fire-and-Rescue/Fire-Investigation>.

[FIRE INVESTIGATION FROM A CODES STANDPOINT](#)

AV09-2379 Date Acquired: 12/21/2009 Length: 30:00 Format: DVD Author: FETN

This course examines the fire investigation process from a codes standpoint, paying close attention to NFPA 921. It also examines conditions relative to fire and smoke spread that are used in fire investigation, as well as how codes can be applied in determining cause of property damage and cause of bodily injury or loss of life in a fire incident. (rel. 12/09, c2009)

[FIRE ORIGIN & CAUSE](#)

AV10-2464 Date Acquired: 10/6/2010 Length: 20:11 Format: DVD Author: ACTION TRAINING

This video presents the firefighter's role in fire cause determination from first alarm to final overhaul. It shows how to secure the fire scene pending an investigation and describes legal considerations of fire cause determination.

It also demonstrates how to safeguard evidence at the scene. Learning objectives include: the firefighter's role in fire cause determination; observations en route; observations upon arrival; observations during fire fighting; salvage & overhaul considerations; securing the scene; legal considerations; and preserving evidence. (c2007, reflecting 2008 standards)

[FIRE ORIGIN & CAUSE DETERMINATION PART 1: INTRODUCTION TO FIRE INVESTIGATION](#)

AV09-2374 Date Acquired: 12/3/2009 Length: 30:00 Format: DVD Author: FETN

Arson is an ongoing problem that firefighters in this country must deal with on a semi-regular basis. In this post-Sept. 11, 2001, era, it is important to be extra cautious at every single call, and this is especially true at an arson scene. In this, the first of six FETN shows on arson investigation, we present the factors one must take into consideration when conducting an arson investigation. (c2009)

[FIRE ON TRIAL](#)

AV06-1964 Date Acquired: 8/21/2006 Length: 45:00 Format: DVD Author: AMERICAN HEAT via FETN
Firefighters may be called upon to testify in a variety of legal cases, from arson to domestic violence. This American Heat program shares tips that ensure a first responder's contribution to the justice system is thorough and appropriate, including what to wear in court and how to handle cross-examination. It also shows how to gather critical information at the scene of an incident without compromising safety or job performance. (2005)

For assistance in choosing training materials, or to make recommendations for additions to the library, please contact the commission librarian at (512) 936-3833, via e-mail at library@tcfp.texas.gov or visit the [Emerson Library](#) at the commission's headquarters facility during regular business hours.



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In the wake of all the recent tornadoes and the current hurricane season, we wanted to provide a link to list of videos available in our library for emergency management disasters:

<https://www.tcfp.texas.gov/newlibrary2/videos2.asp>