



SENIOR FIRE OFFICER FORUM FIREFIGHTER SAFETY SYMPOSIUM II

Course Fee:

\$20.00

Check or money order
made out to "MFA Trust
Fund"

Notes:

Applications must include
payment.

Walk-ins and day-of
registrations will not be
allowed.

Lunch will be provided.

I. Illicit Laboratories-Types, Recognition, Hazards, and Help

Presented By: Bob Zalewski, Mark Sicuso, and Mike Barry, Hazardous Materials Training, Massachusetts Firefighting Academy

Members of the hazardous materials group discuss how first responders can become more aware of the indicators of illicit lab presence, and highlight the various safety considerations to be considered and agencies available to assist when an illicit lab has been discovered.

II. Not Your Grandfathers Rapid Intervention

Presented By: Jack Beckwith, RIT Coordinator, Massachusetts Firefighting Academy

This presentation will explore how Rapid Intervention has evolved over the past 17 years. We will discuss how our focus has changed from attempting to prepare for any possible scenario, to becoming a rapid deployment with a specific mission. We have learned that the primary mission is to find and maintain an air supply to a downed firefighter to give Command time to plan and execute a complicated rescue of one or more of our own. We will also discuss how RIT is not as rapid as we desire and will review some overviews of NIOSH Reports nationwide and what we have learned from the thousands of drills that have been conducted by the MFA.

III. Taking Action Against Cancer in the Fire Service

Presented By: Robert Rogowski, Chief, Barre Fire Department at the Stow Delivery and Patrick Roy, Lieutenant, Fitchburg Fire Department at the Springfield Delivery

Cancer is the leading cause of line of duty deaths for America's firefighters. The Firefighter Cancer Support Network provides cancer awareness and prevention training nationwide. Learn what immediate actions you can take to protect yourself.

Registration -

Register at [List of Current MFA Courses](#) by completing a standard [DFS/MFA Student Application](#) and mail with the \$20 course fee payment to: Registrar, Massachusetts Firefighting Academy, P.O. Box 1025, State Road, Stow, MA 01775.