

The Virginia Fire Prevention Association
Presents:

The 2019 Fall Training Conference



Date: October 15th and 16th

Location: Best Western Plus Waynesboro Inn and Suites Conference Center: 109 Apple Tree Lane, Waynesboro, VA 22980

Conference Description: This informative two day event offers fire and building code enforcement personnel with 16 hours of continuing education and networking opportunities in multiple subject areas. A BBQ Dinner will be provided after the conference on Tuesday Evening. ICC Credit will be provided with applicable.

Registration: Training Registration must be completed by visiting:
www.vfpa.org

To register or to learn more, visit:

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“Serving Virginia’s Fire Service and Code Enforcement Communities Since 1968”

Schedule of Classes and Events

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Time Frame	Monday, October 14th
17:00 – 18:00hrs	<u>VFPA Board of Directors Meeting</u> <i>(open to membership and guest)</i>
Tuesday, October 15th	
0800 – 0900hrs	<u>Conference Opening</u> <u>Stakeholder Reports</u> <i>VDFP Director Michael Reilly</i> <i>VFMA Chief Garrett Dyer</i>
0900 – 1200hrs	<u>Virginia Fusion Center – What is it and how can you use it!</u> <i>Virginia Fusion Center</i>
1200 – 1300hrs	Catered Lunch
1300 – 1700hrs	<u>Food Trucks and Agritourism – What you need to know and do!</u> <i>Gerry Maiatico, Linda Hale</i>
1730 – 2000hrs	Networking and Social Event BBQ Dinner
Wednesday, October 16th	
0800 – 1200hrs	<u>Blasting Considerations and Complaint Investigations</u> <i>Ernest Little</i>
1200 – 1300hrs	Catered Lunch
1300 – 1500hrs	<u>School Safety and Barricade Devices – An Code Development Update</u> <i>VFPA Code Development and Legislative Committee</i>
1500 – 1700hrs	<u>The 2015 SFPC – How to navigate the (N), applicable building code and section deleted</u> <i>Gerry Maiatico</i>

Course Descriptions

Virginia Fusion Center:

The Virginia Fusion Center (VFC) was created as a partnership between the Virginia State Police and Virginia Department of Emergency Management to improve the Commonwealth of Virginia's preparedness against terrorist attacks and to deter criminal activity. The Center provides a vital conduit for information exchange allowing the VFC to communicate with its partners.

The information provided to the VFC may be used by national entities to assist them in formulating a strategic view of the threats facing our nation. The VFC is also responsible for the rapid and efficient dissemination of threat and protective information affecting Virginia to assist partners in their homeland security responsibilities. The VFC operates on a 24 hour, 7 days a week basis, and is staffed by personnel representing several state and federal agencies.

The VFC has partnerships in the following areas:

- Federal, State and Local Law Enforcement
- Military Personnel
- Critical Infrastructure
- Emergency Response
- Private Industries
- Public

This program will review how the Virginia Fusion Center may assist fire code enforcement and those assigned to a FMO.

Food Trucks and Agritourism – What you need to know and be doing?

The adoption of the 2015 Virginia Statewide Fire Prevention Code included specific language that regulates the long standing “battle” with regards to the elusive “Food Truck”. Localities now have the ability to permit, regulate and enforce clear and defined fire prevention and safety codes for mobile food preparation vehicles.....but is it really that easy? Virginia agritourism represents a \$2.2 billion economic impact based on a 2016 study conducted by Virginia Tech. This makes it a substantial contributing factor to the economic health and well-being of the Commonwealth. There are approximately 1,400 establishments in Virginia that fall under the agritourism sector. Roughly 56% of these venues are open to the public throughout the year. Stated more technically, agritourism can be defined as a form of commercial enterprise that links agricultural production and/or processing with tourism in order to attract visitors onto a farm, ranch, or other agricultural business for the purposes of entertaining and/or educating the visitors and generating income for the farm, ranch, or business owner. This course will review Section 319 of the 2015 SFPC, case studies, and best practices that can assist the fire code inspector inspect these “rolling buildings” and “farm structures”.

Blasting Considerations and Complaint Investigations:

Blasting Operations is a “high risk, low frequency event” of a fire inspection division which is often presented with a variety of unique and specialized challenges. These activities often involve complaints from “concerned” neighbors, community members and/or elected officials. This program will review the basics of a blasting site inspection, utilizing Chapter 56 of the SFPC and applicable reference standards, and best practice guides that may be utilized by the fire inspector. This program will also review multiple case studies that have resulted in neighbor complaints and official action from the FMO.

School Safety and Barricade Devices – A Code Development Update:

SB1755 directed DHCD to convene stakeholders representing entities that enforce the Uniform Statewide Building Code and the Statewide Fire Prevention Code and other law-enforcement organizations to develop proposals for changes to each such code for submission to the Board of Housing and Community Development. The review conducted by the stakeholders shall include the examination of (i) locking devices, (ii) barricade devices, and (iii) other safety measures that may be utilized in an active shooter or hostile threat situation that occurs in any classroom or other area where students are located for a finite period of time. This course will provide an overview of the work and progress being made with respect to SB1755 and prepare the fire inspector for potential changes he/she may encounter in the “E” use group.

The 2015 SFPC – How to navigate the (N), applicable building code and section deleted:

The 2015 edition of the SFPC underwent a dramatic change in appearance that was a “rewrite” to remove unenforceable language from the code. The end result caught many fire code enforcement personnel off guard. The words “*section deleted*”, “*applicable building code*” and the symbol “(N)” now consume much of the code. This program will review the 2015 SFPC and discuss how to navigate the respective changes and discuss what this really means for the fire code enforcement community.

Registration and Check-in Information

Conference Registration must be completed online at www.vfpa.org

Individual courses may be cancelled or replaced based on number of pre-registrations.

Student Check-In will begin at 0730hrs each day of the conference.

Attendees are responsible for scheduling their own lodging needs, mention the VFPA Conference to get conference rate from the host hotel.