

## S.T.E.P. System of Firefighter Safety, The

### Why This Seminar?

The first STEP in getting out of a hole is to stop digging! The fire service has literally been digging itself into a hole for many years - a hole from which about 100 firefighters every year never escape and one from which over 80,000 firefighters manage to escape but not without grave injury. The NFPA has recently reported that firefighters are dying in burning buildings more frequently now than 25 years ago. Specifically, the report states that the rate of traumatic deaths per 100,000 structure fires gradually increased from about 1.5 in the late 1970s to about 3 in the year 2000. The survey of data from 1977 to 2000 also showed the number of structure fires had dropped from about 1 million a year to about 600,000. Essentially, our traumatic death rate has almost doubled while our structural fire frequency has decreased by almost 50%! Most importantly, the report states “that there is a growing concern in the fire service to whether firefighters and fire officers receive the degree of training and experience necessary to properly assess the risks on the fireground.” The firefighter S.T.E.P. system is a safety system that does not just identify how firefighters dig themselves into holes but one that stops the digging and the resulting damage to firefighters. Come and learn how to get out of this fire service hole one STEP at a time.

The S.T.E.P. system will include managing risk through:

- A step-by-step approach to create organizational safety
- Effective supervisory techniques concerning safety
- Training concepts that prepare personnel for safe responses
- Selection of equipment that manages risk
- Procedure development that makes it safe for firefighters

What you will learn

- How firefighters are killed in the U. S.
- What is safety and how to beat the “unintelligent enemy”
- How to apply risk management to firefighting
- How to manage risk step by step
- How to lead safety efforts by effective supervision
- How to train for safer fire grounds
- How to select and utilize equipment safely
- How to develop and apply safe firefighting procedures
- How to access resources on firefighter safety

This session is appropriate for anyone involved in firefighter safety procedures. **S.T.E.P. System of Firefighter Safety, The**

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