



King County Fire Training Officer's Association Officer Development Academy Course Syllabus

Course Information

Course Title: Incident Safety Officer Academy

Course Description: This is a two-day course derived from Dave Dodson's book: "Fire Department Incident Safety Officer" (Delmar, 2nd edition, April 2007) and addresses ISO components of NFPA 1521 (2008). The course is a realistic, street-applicable approach to performing the functions of the Incident Safety Officer at fires and other working incidents. The class serves as an excellent study tool for those challenging the ISO Certification test for the National Professional Qualifications Board. This class is far more detailed and "street-practical" than the National Fire Academy's two-day ISO field course!

Class Hours: 16

Prerequisites/Pre-course Assignment: Fire Department Affiliation – no pre-course assignment.

College Credits: N/A

Instructor Information

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Phone: Texting Messages accepted at phone above.

Course Design

Text: Course taken from the Delmar Book: *Fire Department Incident Safety Officer*, 2E, Dodson – 2007. Book is optional – but not required for course.

Additional Materials: Instructor-provided 22-page course handout.

Course Objectives: **Goal:** To systematically train and educate Fire Officers to serve as effective Incident Safety Officers – To help YOU Make a Difference!

Overhead Objectives:

1. Provide a summary of Incident Safety Officer duties and responsibilities.
2. Provide useful information to improve the awareness of hazards to firefighters.
3. Provide several realistic, practical processes to improve effectiveness of the individual serving as an Incident Scene Officer during actual incidents.
4. Provide focused study information to help participants meet NFPA ISO Pro-Qualification standards.
5. Present useful study material for those wishing to pursue National ISO Certification (through FDSOA).



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Course Policies: Students will adhere to all policies as outlined by KCFTOA ODA and IFSAC Accreditation.

Grading: Grading will be based on several elements totaling 100 points:

(This section is open to instructor flexibility based on their design of the class. They may only have a written and practical skills section [as required by our IFSAC Accreditation] and with different section weighting.)

	Percent
Participation (15% per session)	45
Scenario (mid-term)	10
Final Written	25
<u>Final Scenario</u>	<u>20</u>
Total	100

Points	Grade	Grade
100-99	4.0-3.9	A
98-95	3.8-3.5	A-
94-92	3.4-3.2	B+
91-89	3.1-2.9	B
88-85	2.8-2.5	B-
84-82	2.4-2.2	C+
81-79	2.1-1.9	C
78-75	1.8-1.5	C-
74-72	1.4-1.2	D+
71-69	1.1-0.9	D
68-65	0.8-0.7	D-
64-0	0.6-0.0	F

Exams: Final Written Exam and Tactical Exercise Assignment



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Instructor Tips for
Success:

- Arrive at class on time.
- Be prepared to engage in discussion
- Complete all pre-course reading assignments

College Policies

Currently ODA is not working directly with any college, but recommends students to contact their local community colleges for any information about ODA courses transferring to college credits.