*UNIT 1:*

*Introduction*

*objective*

*The students will complete Activity 1.1 by introducing him/herself to the class.*

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course Overview

Course Goal

*Decision Making for Initial Company Operations* (DMICO) is designed to develop the decision making skills needed by Company Officers (COs) to accomplish assigned tactics at structure fires.

Target Audience

It is important to understand that while the course material was developed for newly appointed officers or firefighters who may have acting CO responsibilities, it would also provide an excellent review for experienced officers.

Activities

All activities and scenarios used in this course are based on structure fires.

There will be a walk-through activity followed by one or more small-group, scenario-driven activities for each area covered.

A final, message-driven simulation activity will culminate Units 5 and 7.

Student Manual

Support material (for use in class) for activities.

Text material (for postcourse reference).

Provides background, and supplements course content.

Students should not try to follow the text while material is being presented.

Course Units

* Unit 1: Introduction;
* Unit 2: Integration of the National Incident Management System to Fireground Management;
* Unit 3: Fireground Decision Making;
* Unit 4: Building Construction Types;
* Unit 5: The Analytical Sizeup Process;
* Unit 6: Burn Time Considerations and Line-of-Duty Deaths from Collapse Incidents; and
* Unit 7: Fireground Decision Making Exercises.

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Activity 1.1

Student Introductions

Purpose

To meet the instructors and other students.

Directions

1. An instructor will perform roll call.

2. The instructors will introduce themselves and briefly discuss their backgrounds.

3. You will introduce yourself and give a brief overview of your background and expectations for the course. Information should include your:

a. Name.

b. Rank.

c. Department.

d. Current position.

e. Years of experience.

f. Course expectations.