



WASHINGTON STATE FIRE TRAINING ACADEMY



2026 WEEKDAY RECRUIT ACADEMY ANNOUNCEMENT

12 WEEKS/496 HOURS

This course will prepare the entry-level firefighter to meet Washington State certifications for Hazardous Materials Awareness, Hazardous Materials Operations, Firefighter I, and Firefighter II.

COURSE DATES:

RA 26-01	22 January 2026 - 17 April 2026	Accepting Applications.
RA 26-02	30 April 2026 - 24 July 2026	Accepting Applications.
RA 26-03	06 August 2026 - 30 October 2026	Accepting Applications.

COURSE INFORMATION:

PREREQUISITES & REQUIRED ITEMS:

- The Recruit has either completed and passed a physical examination conducted by a licensed medical professional, using either:
 - o NFPA 1580 and/or
 - o The medical standards of your organization
- A physician, or other licensed healthcare professional, has approved the Recruit to work using a self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA)
- The Recruit has undergone a Respirator Face Piece fit test that meets the requirements of WAC 196-262-07150
- The Recruit is 18 years of age at the start of the class
- The Recruit has medical insurance coverage
- The Recruit has valid CPR and first aid certifications
- The Recruit has passed your fire department's physical agility test or has a Comprehensive Physical Assessment Test (CPAT) with one year
- The Recruit has a valid driver's license
- The Recruit is affiliated with a fire department

REFERENCE TEXT:

- IFSTA *Essentials of Firefighting*, 7th Edition.
 - o Provided on first day.
- IFSTA *Hazardous Materials for First Responders*, 7th Edition.
 - o Provided on first day.

COST:	Tuition and Housing:	\$8,315.00 per Recruit
	Food Service:	\$2,218.00 per Recruit
	Total:	\$10,533.00 per Recruit

CLASS TIME: Monday - Thursday, 0600 - 1800

HOW TO REGISTER: Email the 2026 Recruit Academy Registration Form to FTARegister@wsp.wa.gov.

Fire departments may be eligible for financial reimbursement through the Basic Firefighter Training Program. For more information, contact the Fire Protection Bureau at 360-596-3928.

Members of the Joint Apprenticeship Training Program may also be eligible for tuition assistance. For more information, contact Mr. Dave Myers at 253-946-7331.

Veteran Administration (VA) reimbursements are **NOT AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME**. There are no payment plan options or tuition assistance provided by the Fire Training Academy.