

West Virginia Emergency Management Division



Hazardous Materials Technician Course

The West Virginia Emergency Management Division has partnered with WVPST to offer a Hazardous Materials Technician Course at Dunbar Fire Department.

Course Overview: Hazardous Materials Technician (HMT) is a four-day course that prepares Operations-level responders for Technician-level Hazardous Materials (HAZMAT) certification. This 40-hour course, based on NFPA® 1072: Standard for Hazardous Materials/Weapons of Mass Destruction Emergency Response Personnel Professional Qualifications and NFPA® 472 standards, provides participants with HAZMAT-specific response knowledge and skills, enabling them to respond safely and effectively to a suspected incident at the hazardous materials technician level. Participants receive hands-on training in donning and doffing Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Levels A and B, containing leaks and drum over-packing, containing leaks in pressurized containers, and performing technical and mass decontamination. The HMT course culminates with performance of these offensive-level tasks in an activity in which the participants apply the knowledge and skills learned in a simulated HAZMAT environment. Graduates can take the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC) exam for HAZMAT Technician certification.

Prerequisites:

To be eligible for the course, the student must:

- Have a requirement or responsibility to serve as a technician-level HAZMAT responder.
- Complete [PER-322 Hazardous Materials Operations](#) or NFPA 472-conformant state or jurisdiction operations level hazardous materials training;
- Complete independent study [IS-100.b Introduction to the Incident Command System](#), ICS 100, or any of the IS-100 series;
- Complete [IS-200.b ICS for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents](#), ICS 200 or any of the IS-200 series;
- Be capable of lifting tools and equipment up to approximately 50 pounds;

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- Be capable of standing and walking for prolonged periods;
- Be capable of donning, operating in Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA), and doffing PPE to include being physically and mentally capable of wearing a respirator that conforms tightly to the face or equipment that encapsulates the head; and
- Be capable of operating in confined spaces.
- No beards

Location:

Dunbar Fire Department
907 Dunbar Avenue
Dunbar, WV 25064

Date: September 23-27, 2024

Time: 8:00am – 5:00pm daily

Instructor – Rodney Winters

To Register:

Follow the guidelines in the attached document using the course number in this posting. WVPST is adopting a new registration platform that we believe will be more user-friendly. Should you have any issues, please contact Eva Godbey at eva.godbey@k12.wv.us.

Link: www.pstachio.wvnet.edu (If link doesn't work, use Google Chrome and search PSTachio.wvnet.edu)

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- If you have any questions or issues registering, please contact Eva Godbey at eva.godbey@k12.wv.us
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