



# PRESUMPSCOT VALLEY FIRE ACADEMY



## Firefighter Training Program 2025

The Presumpscot Valley Fire Academy (PVFA) announces the start of the 2025 Firefighter I & II Training Program.

### **Program Overview:**

The academy prepares the recruit for National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications (Pro Board) Certification through Maine Fire Service Institute, which will be offered at the completion of the Presumpscot Valley Fire Academy Training Program. Firefighter I and Firefighter II programs both meet and exceed the requirements of 2019 Edition of NFPA 1001: Standard for Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications, as well as the requirements for Operations Level Responders in the 2018 Edition of NFPA 472: Standard for Competence of Responders to Hazardous Materials/Weapons of Mass Destruction Incidents. Individuals needing only a Firefighter II certification will have the ability to enroll on a case by case basis. The PVFA provides recruits with a Maine BLS certification during the training program once those objectives have been met.

The 2025 training program will start with orientation on **January 15, 2025** and run through May 28, 2025 with anticipated MFSI practical skills testing anticipated on June 7, 2025. Components of the program include approximately 300 hours of training achieved by Classroom Instruction, Practical Skills Training, Independent Curriculum Study, Online Testing, Occupational Cancer Awareness and Best Practices Education, Physical Fitness and Wellness Training.

Students interested in this program must be willing to commit a significant amount of their time to successfully complete the academy. Both programs are college level courses with up to (6) college credits that can be awarded from Southern Maine Community College. Students should expect college level reading assignments, homework assignments, quizzes, exams and physically demanding skill development

### **Academy Dates, Times and Locations:**

Sessions will meet on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM and most Saturdays from 8:00 AM until 4:30 PM unless otherwise noted in the schedule. Please be aware that these times are only guidelines and reflect the anticipated Instructor-Recruit contact time. Classes will be conducted at the various host departments and the Hollis Training Facility with a primary location at Gorham Central Fire Station, 270 Main Street, Gorham, Maine 04038

### **Completion of Firefighter I & II Training Program:**

- Pro Board NFPA 1001 Firefighter I & II
- TEEX Pro Board NFPA 742 HazMat Operations
- FEMA NIMS ICS 100, 200, 700
- TEEX WMD/Terrorism Awareness for Emergency Responders AWR-160
- Basic Pump Operations
- AVOC / EVOC

### **Recruit Orientation:**

January 15, 2025 at 1800 hours at the Gorham Central Fire Station, 270 Main Street, Gorham, Maine 04038

### **Tuition:**

**Firefighter I & II : \$1500.00**

**Firefighter II : \$1000.00**

Tuition includes textbooks, manuals, online LMS, academy fitness clothes, academy uniform shirt and graduation polo. If financial assistance is needed, please contact the PVFA Program Coordinator.

### **Medical Clearance:**

Candidates shall be covered by the sponsoring department's Workers Compensation Policy; are not presently drawing Worker's Compensation Benefits; OR if not sponsored by a department have applicable health insurance; meet the requirements of the Maine Respiratory Protection Standard (1910.134); have successfully received a medical clearance within a year of this application date based on the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 1582: Standard on Medical Requirements for Firefighters; and are aware of the physical demands of the firefighting training program.

### **Application Deadline:**

**December 14, 2024** at 1700 hours. No Exceptions.

Submit completed application packets to [jcarroll@westbrook.me.us](mailto:jcarroll@westbrook.me.us) or Presumpscot Valley Fire Academy, 270 Main Street Gorham Maine 04038.

### **Training Program Acceptance:**

Acceptance letters and a full course schedule for this program will be emailed out to all approved applications by **December 16, 2024** to allow for advanced planning and best success on behalf of the student.