

## Responding to the Interface

**Kamloops Fire Rescue** is looking to host a two course based on tactics and strategies used by CalFire. This course will be put on by the IAFF. This course would be beneficial training for engine company officers and departments faced with the threat of an interface fire. It deals with tactics and strategies for the first operational period of an interface fire.

The course is two days in length and has both theory and practical aspects. There are 24 seats available for the initial course and 12 seats available for the train the trainer (2 days). These courses are open to both IAFF and non-IAFF Fire Departments. Please see the outline below for the Responding to the Interface Course.

Scheduling for the course is planned for May of 2020, exact dates yet to be determined.

### **Course Objective:**

To provide the student with comprehensive information regarding Urban Interface response, command, strategies, and tactics which will allow them to operate safely in their community's fire environment.

### **Pre Course:**

Online modules: 10 modules (approximately one hour per module):

- Leadership
- Cooperating Agencies
- Evacuations
- Strategy and Tactics
- Resource Utilization
- Structure Triage
- Fire Behaviour
- Incident Command
- Planning
- Safety

### **Day 1:**

- Classroom (4 hours)
  - o Introduction
  - o Fire Behaviour and Safety
  - o Structure Triage
  - o Strategy and Tactics
- Field (Hands on Training) (4 hours)
  - o Structure Triage
  - o Structure Prep
  - o Engine Ops
  - o Safety

**Day 2:**

- Classroom (4 hours)
  - Planning and Resources
  - Evacuations
  - Leadership and Command
  - Final Exam
- Field (Operational Readiness Exercises) (4 Hours)
  - Anchor and Hold
  - Bump and Run
  - Fire Front Following

**At the conclusion of this program, fire fighters and company officers will have the basic skills needed to safely operate in the Urban Interface environment and successfully defend homes while suppressing interface fires. Costs have fully yet to be determined however it may be \$1000.00 per person for the Responding to the interface course and an additional \$500.00 to complete the train the trainer component. Space is limited to 24 students for the initial course and 12 students for the train the trainer course. We are working hard to reduce course costs. Fire Departments interested in sending members to attend this course and/or the two day train the trainer to follow immediately after this please contact;**

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