

# VIRGINIA FIRE RESCUE CONFERENCE

*February 16-21, 2026*

## Training & Education Preview





# VIRGINIA FIRE RESCUE CONFERENCE

February 16-21, 2026

## “The Beach is Burning” 2026 VFRC Hands-On-Training Program



**The Water Can:  
Know Your Capabilities,  
Know Your Limitations**  
February 16, 2026

**Human Performance**  
February 16, 2026

**Dynamic Fire Behavior**  
February 16, 2026

**Company Officer School**  
February 17-18, 2026

**Truck Fundamentals School**  
February 17-18, 2026

**Engine Operations School**  
February 17-18, 2026

**Chief Officer School**  
February 17-18, 2026

**Mayday Command**  
February 19, 2026

**Rural Water Supply**  
February 19, 2026

**No River Banks Left:  
Swiftwater Rescue Mastery**  
February 19, 2026

**Women of Fire & EMS -  
Tactical Hands-on-Training**  
February 19, 2026



REGISTRATION IS OPEN!!!!  
FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO  
[WWW.VFCA.US](http://WWW.VFCA.US)



# VIRGINIA FIRE RESCUE CONFERENCE

*February 16-21, 2026*

## 2026 EMS CEU BY THE NUMBERS

Over 270 Sessions with EMS CEU Available

100+ NCCR - Category 1 Sessions

150+ LCCR/ICCR - Category 2 Sessions

The 2026 VFRC offers the ability for a Virginia EMT-Basic to receive all required recertification hours at the conference. Check out the conference website at [www.vfca.us](http://www.vfca.us) to build your path to recertification.





# VIRGINIA FIRE RESCUE CONFERENCE

*February 16-21, 2026*



## Virginia Fire Marshal Academy Recertification Courses

### **Photography (1031/1033)**

February 16, 2026 - 0800-1200

### **Legal Update (1031/1033)**

February 16, 2026 - 1300-1700

### **Inspector & Investigator Safety (1031/1033)**

February 17, 2026 - 0800-1200

### **Food Truck Inspections (1031)**

February 17, 2026 - 1300-1700

### **Use of Force/Control Tactics (1033)**

February 18, 2026 - 0800-1700

### **State Fire Marshals Office Update (1031/1033)**

February 19, 2026 - 0800-1000

### **Interview & Interrogation (1031/1033)**

February 19, 2026 - 1000-1200

### **Ignitable Liquids Detection K9 Assisting the Fire Investigation (1033)**

February 19, 2026 - 1300-1700



REGISTRATION IS OPEN!!!!  
FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO  
[WWW.VFCA.US](http://WWW.VFCA.US)



# VIRGINIA FIRE RESCUE CONFERENCE

February 16-21, 2026



**Jarrood Sergi**

No-Nonsense Leadership: A Realistic Approach for the Company Officer



**Brian Smith**

Leading the Primary Search



**Robby Dawson**

The Fire and Life Safety Ecosystem is Under Attack: Impacts and Implications for the Fire Service



**Rob Backer**

The Art of Reading Smoke



**Kevin Pannell**

Mission Ready: All-Hazards Project Management for Public Safety Leaders



**Jennifer Bragiel**

Leveraging Social Media for Retention, Recruitment and Education



**Cedric Patterson**

AI Policy in the Fire Department



**Fred M. Rafilson, Ph.D.**

Mindful Hiring in Fire & EMS: Enhancing Recruitment with Psychological Evaluations



**Ashley Boersig**

Prehospital Stroke Care



**Lynn Lewis**

Navigating The Stigma of Suicide Loss - S.T.I.N.G. It!



**Timothy McKay**

Influencing Organizational Culture Through Leadership



**Zachary Hottel**

It's a Different World: Leaders in the Volunteer Fire Service



REGISTRATION IS OPEN!!!!  
FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO  
[WWW.VFCA.US](http://WWW.VFCA.US)



# VIRGINIA FIRE RESCUE CONFERENCE

*February 16-21, 2026*

# REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

