

**NATIONAL FIRE ACADEMY**  
**Decision Making for Initial Company Operations (DMICO)**

*Hosted by Northern Lakes Fire Protection District in cooperation  
with Idaho Emergency Services Training*

**Date and Location**

October 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2010 (Saturday and Sunday)  
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Northern Lakes Fire Protection District  
Station 1 – 125 W. Hayden Avenue, Hayden, Idaho

**Course Description**

Incident Management Curriculum – Decision Making for Initial Company Operations is designed to develop the decision making skills needed by Company Officers (COs) to accomplish assigned tactics at structure fires. All activities and scenarios used in this course are based on structure fires. As a Company Officer (CO) with the real possibility of being the first to arrive at an incident, the CO's initial decisions will have an impact throughout the entire incident. It is vital that they be able to make good management decisions that have a favorable impact on the eventual outcome. In addition to a possible role as the initial Incident Commander (IC), the CO may well be assigned a subordinate position within the ICS organization. COs need to have a clear understanding of the system, the position they are assigned, and their role in the organization if they are to function effectively and help make the system work.

**Instructor**

*Edwin D. Coutts* has been in the fire service for 35 years with extensive experience in basic and advanced fire tactics and firefighter safety. Originally appointed to the National Fire Academy Field Programs Division adjunct faculty in 1986 to teach courses in fire tactics, he has also instructed Fire Tactics, Safety and Incident Management for Seattle Community College, Bellevue Community College and Washington State Fire Service Training.

**Course Registration**

Deadline to Register: Friday, September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2010

Class Size is Limited to 35

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