

KENTUCKY

**SATURDAY & SUNDAY – ALL DAY
TWO DAY CLASS – 14 HOURS**

CLASS 40



**National
Fire
Academy**
Courses

Decision Making For Initial Company Operations (NFA F0457)

This 2-day course 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. 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 COs be able to make good management decisions that have a favorable impact on the eventual outcome.

Instructor – David Zinther

David Zinther retired after 38 years in the fire service. The bulk of his career was spent in the western suburbs of Chicago, where he was born and raised. He began at the age of 16 as a volunteer firefighter, until he was old enough to begin working as a paid part time firefighter. In 1993 he was hired full time by the Lisle-Woodridge Fire District, where he spent 21 years, retiring as a Shift Commander. He then moved to Massachusetts to take the position of Fire Chief for a small combination fire department. He has since retired and resides outside of Tampa, Florida. Throughout his career, he has been heavily involved in training, teaching for various organizations including the Illinois Fire Chiefs Association, the Illinois Society of Fire Service Instructors, and the Illinois State Fire Marshal. He began instructing for the National Fire Academy in 2007, and has taught in 45 of the 50 States, as well as on the campus of the National Fire Academy in Emmitsburg, Maryland. His focus is within the Incident Command and Responder Health and Safety curriculums.