

FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY EDUCATION
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**Building Your Toolbox & Connecting the Dots: Working with Youth Firesetters
Thursday, September 25th at New Hampshire Fire Academy**

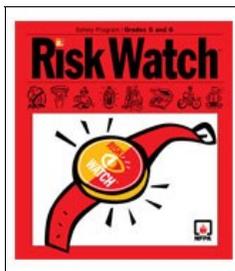
This September the New Hampshire Youth Firesetters Task Force is holding a Conference to bring together the variety of disciplines that work with youth in the concern of firesetting and fire misuse. By bringing together Mental Health, Fire, Police, Juvenile Justice and Education Professionals we look to:

- ◆ Provide framework for communities looking to establish Youth Firesetter Programs.
- ◆ Provide a list of existing programs within the State of New Hampshire.
- ◆ Address the issues of budget and acknowledge the problem it presents.
- ◆ Assist youth and their families in getting the support and help they need for Youth Firesetting behavior.

[To Learn More and Register](#)

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Going... Going... GONE**

Please contact the Fire Marshal's Office at your earliest convenience to set up a day/time to pick up your FREE Risk Watch Grades PreK—8 Program and Materials. Only while supplies last. Email: FMO@dos.nh.gov

New Hampshire
HEALTHY HOMES CONFERENCE

Building Partnerships Between Health, Housing, Safety, Energy & Family Service Providers

The 4th Annual New Hampshire Healthy Homes Conference will be held on Tuesday September 16, 2014 at the Concord Courtyard by Marriott Grappone Conference Center, Concord New Hampshire.

Everyone involved in health, housing, safety, energy or family services will gain insight into how housing and health are related. Firefighters and first responders may be interested in the sessions on Carbon Monoxide Awareness and Safety and the workshop titled: What Home Visitors Need to Know about Hoarding Hazards-Risk, Response, and Referrals. This workshop will give a general overview of the steps officials may take to address fire, building, health or other safety risk resulting from hoarding behaviors. The 4th Amendment and the Right of Entry will be discussed.

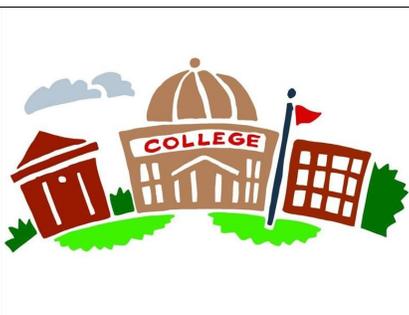
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FIRE PREVENTION WEEK 2014:



Soon it will be Fire Prevention Week (FPW). Help us sound the alarm that working smoke alarms save lives. Did you know that many people don't test their smoke alarms as often as they should? This year's campaign, "Working Smoke Alarms Save Lives: Test Yours Every Month," provides an opportunity to educate the public about the importance of having working smoke alarms and testing them every month. The NFPA has everything you need, from fill-in press releases and safety tips sheets in English and Spanish to printouts, logos, and more.

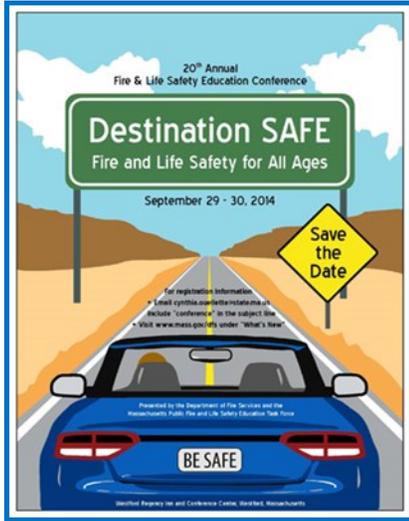
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September is Campus Fire Safety Month

Having working smoke alarms and an emergency escape plan should be a priority for everyone! Please join us this September and make it a priority to **promote Campus Fire Safety Awareness** and support our efforts in providing safe housing for all college students. Please see the [Press Release on our website](#).

Learn More at [Campus Firewatch](#)



Mass Fire and Life Safety Conference Sept 29th & Sept 30

The Department of Fire Services is pleased to present the registration brochure for this year's Public Fire and Life Safety Education Conference being held at the Westford Regency Hotel and Conference Center on September 29 and 30. The theme for this two-decade anniversary conference is: Destination SAFE! Fire & Life Safety Education for All Ages. Classroom teachers, nurses, firefighters, school resource officers, people who work with older adults and injury prevention experts will gather at the Westford Regency Inn and Conference Center for two days of training and skill development in 30 workshops and four general sessions.

[Learn More](#)



From the NFPA 10-MINUTE MINI-LESSONS

Fire and life safety educators are asked to speak at a variety of venues. While some folks are intimidated by longer sessions, the shorter ones can actually be the most difficult. A 10-minute mini-lesson is challenging because you need to hook the audience, help them learn new information, and wrap-up in a concise manner. Check out our new 10-minute mini-lesson and Powerpoint presentation on carbon monoxide. Take a look at NFPA's template and lesson samples and try to make it work for you the next time you are invited to give a brief presentation.

[Check out Mini-Lesson on Carbon Monoxide](#)

[Learn more on 10 Minute Mini-Lessons](#)



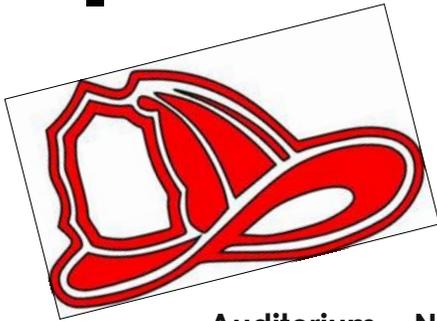
FMO Public Education Website

Please visit our website for information that your department can utilize to assist in its educational outreach efforts. There you will find Fire and Life Safety Information that is child, parent and educator approved including websites as well as Home Safety Information. For Educators looking to enhance their educational programs you will find Educational Outreach Resources, FMO Equipment available for loan, and Reproducible Fire and Life Safety fact sheet handouts.

[Read More ▶▶▶](#)



[Learn More](#) about the call to action for USFA, fire and life safety partner organizations and the American public. We must join together to help reduce the number of home fires, and the resulting deaths, injuries and loss of property. We rely on the fire service to fight fires once they occur; however, the prevention of fires is up to all of us ... Fire is Everyone's Fight™.



New Hampshire Fire Service Symposium

Sponsored by PRIMEX
NH Public Risk Management Exchange

November 13, 2014

Auditorium ~ NH Fire Academy ~98 Smokey Bear Boulevard, Concord, NH 03301.

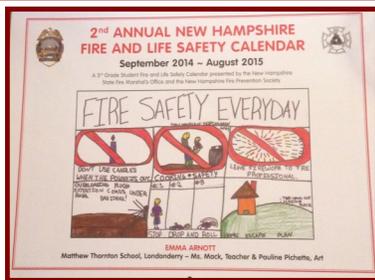
The main focus of the symposium will be to discuss the role and responsibilities of the Fire Chief as applicable by NH Statute. The forum will have guest speakers that will discuss the publication **New Hampshire Fire Laws Annotated**, also known as the Red Book/LexisNexis **Manual**. This particular publication is the "governing book" that clearly defines **by statute**, the authority of a Fire Chief. It is apparent that many NH Fire Chiefs, Governing Boards and Town/Municipal Officials are not entirely familiar with statutory responsibilities as applicable under NH Fire Law. This symposium will provide attendees with a clearer understanding of those laws. At the conclusion of the symposium, **each agency represented** will receive an updated version of NH Fire Laws Annotated for their reference at **no cost**.

We encourage all **Fire Chiefs** and **Chief Officers**, to attend this very important event. In addition to the dissemination of regulatory information, the symposium will provide excellent networking opportunities for fire departments of all size and scope. Breakfast and lunch will be provided and there is no cost to attend. Due to the nature of the subject matter we anticipate high attendance therefore, **seating availability will be limited to the first 130 registrants**.

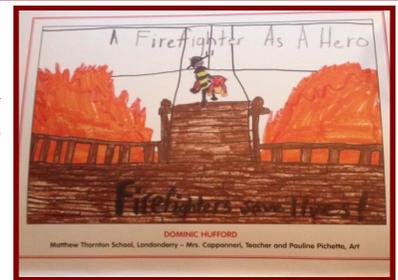
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2014~2015 School Year Calendars Available NOW!

Congrats to Emma Arnott of Matthew Thornton Elementary School in Londonderry for being our 2014 -2015 Fire & Life Safety Calendar Cover winner!



Congrats to Dominic Hufford of Matthew Thornton Elementary School in Londonderry for being our September: Firefighters as Heroes Calendar winner!



The 2nd Annual Fire & Life Safety Calendars have been published and distribution has begun! Be sure to look for your copy. Attached to this email is a copy of this year's contest guidelines. We encourage you and your department to use Fire Prevention Week as your opportunity to get your local 3rd grade students, classroom teachers and/or art teacher excited to participate in the 2015-2016 Fire & Life Safety Calendar Poster Contest. Have Questions? Wish to request a copy of the 2014-2015 school year calendar? Please contact: Mary.MacCaffrie@dos.nh.gov

** 2014-2015 Calendar Contest Rules and Guidelines will be distributed in early September. We look forward to another successful year with your assistance!



**American
Red Cross**

American Red Cross Home Fire Preparedness Initiative Announced

American Red Cross is launching a nationwide initiative aimed at significantly reducing fire deaths and injuries over the next several years. We would like to partner with Fire Departments and other stakeholders throughout New Hampshire to help raise awareness of effective Home Fire Preparedness strategies by providing valuable preparedness information and resources to homeowners throughout the state. As we begin to plan for the launch of the initiative we would like your feedback. Please take a minute to answer a 5 question survey. The information you provide will be used by American Red Cross to develop it's short and long-range plans in building community resiliency throughout New Hampshire. For more information, please contact Helen Long, American Red Cross, NH Region, (603) 724-8008 or Helen.long@redcross.org.

Access the survey here: [ARC Home Fire Preparedness Initiative](#)

Find us on the Web:

www.nh.gov/safety/divisions/firesafety/index.html

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It is the mission of the Division of Fire Safety, Office of the State Fire Marshal to prevent deaths, injury and property loss by promoting a safe fire, building and hazardous materials environment for the citizens and visitors of New Hampshire through education, engineering, investigation and enforcement.