

# Training For Excellence



## Training Division

Training is one of the single most important functions of the modern Fire Department. Over the years the Fire Service has become more mentally challenging and the demands for knowledge by firefighters has steadily increased. The Minneapolis Fire Department Training Division has developed an effective, coordinated training program that maintains personal performance objectives and develops individuals into capable leaders and supervisors. The Training Division consists of the Training Chief and Training Captains. The Training Division is responsible for administering and documenting all Training activities and Safety Training which include but are not limited to:

- Plan, provide and supervise department fire cadet academy.
- Emergency Medical Training and recertification for department.
- Coordinate training activities with city, county and state agencies.
- Ensure compliance with standards and legal requirements.
- Training and implementation of new apparatus and equipment.
- Develop, recommend and implement safe operational practices.
- Conduct promotional exams in conjunction with HR Dept.
- Research recommendations, provide training in new concepts.
- Plan and coordinate continuing education programs.
- Conduct live training fires in burn building to improve skills for both MFD and Firefighters from the surrounding communities.
- Perform annual and semiannual OSHA testing as required
- Train all Minneapolis Firefighters in Haz-Mat Response to the Technician level or higher.

# Training Improves Safety – Training Saves Lives

The Minneapolis Fire Department invests much of its time and money into equipment, apparatus, physical training, training facility improvements, service award programs and many other worthwhile expenditures. But all of this is wasted if we do not have a properly trained workforce that can safely and efficiently respond, operate and mitigate every fire or other emergency operation we are faced with. Below are some of the many training evolutions a Fire Cadet must go through to become a Minneapolis Firefighter.



**Continuing Education**



**EMS Training**



**Structure Fire Training**



**Roof top Ventilation**



**Confined Space Rescue**



**Light Rail Emergencies**



**Ice Rescue**



**Water Rescue**



**Natural Gas Leaks**



**Swift Water Rescue**



**Haz-Mat Response**



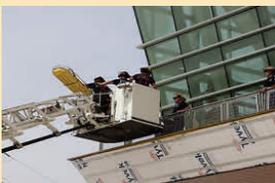
**Rail Tanker Fires**



**Rapid Intervention Team**



**High Angle Rope Rescue**



**Aerial Ladder Rescue**



**Search and Rescue**



**Personal Injury Accidents**



**Trench Rescue**



**Automobile Extrication**



**Structural Collapse**



**Incident Command**



**Mass Casualty Training**



**Active Shooter Response**



**Downed Power Lines**