





Hoarder Fires – for the Modern Fire Ground

This course is designed to provide firefighters with the critical knowledge and skills needed to safely and effectively respond to fires in hoarding environments. With the increasing prevalence of hoarding disorder and its unique challenges on the fireground, this course will explore the history of hoarding, the types of hoarding situations firefighters may encounter, and the specialized tactics required to handle such incidents. At the end of the class, the instructors will lead participants through a realistic scenario where they must apply everything, they've learned in a controlled fire environment designed to simulate a hoarder property.

The **Berrien County Firefighters Association** will be hosting the above listed firefighter training course, that is a State of Michigan – Fire Fighters Training Council (FFTC) approved "Q" course. Each firefighter that completes the course will be issued a certificate of attendance from the FFTC. This course will take place at the Buchanan Township Fire Station – 15301 Main Street, Buchanan, MI 49107.

This course will meet on the following date from 9:00am – 1:00pm:

> Saturday, December 6th

Student requirements:

- Member of an organized Michigan Fire Department
- Eighteen years of age

This course is being offered at no cost, by the Berrien County Firefighters Association.

Any questions please contact Training Officer Doug deBest at (269) 759-4848 or debestfire@hotmail.com

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