



Wildland Fire Safety Training Annual Refresher 2013

The intent of annual fireline safety refresher training is to provide wildland firefighters, and support personnel information on current issues relating to safety, policy changes, and to share knowledge gained from the 2012 fire season.

Wildland Fire Safety Training Annual Refresher (WFSTAR) was created to provide facilitators and instructors one location to access videos, work books, and other pertinent material to conduct training that is relevant, interesting and engages the students. WFSTAR can be accessed at: <http://www.nifc.gov/wfstar/index.html> .

Annual refresher training has four core components to fulfill requirements for *Annual Fireline Safety Refresher (RT-130)* which include:

- Avoiding Entrapments
- Current Issues
- Fire Shelters
- Other Hazards and Safety Issues

What's New in 2013?

The DVD is tentatively scheduled for release on March 20, 2013. However, all modules will soon be available on the WFSTAR website for download. End users are encouraged to use the new format as 2013 is the last year the DVD will be available.

Federal wildland fire agencies will distribute the 2013 DVD's through normal distribution channels, with the exception of the National Park Service. The Park Service is asking firefighters to download their program from the WFSTAR website. Non-Federal agencies, contractors, and other users can order the DVD directly from Custom Recording and Sound at (208)-344-3535 or fire@crsimedia.com.

Another change will be the “no year” concept for annual refresher training. Previously released modules are available on the “MODULE LIBRARY” toggle, and as new modules are completed they will be posted on the main webpage for use.

Instructors Note:

Instructors and Unit leaders are encouraged to customize training to reach your target audience. The new format allows for customization to meet the needs of your user group.

Please take time to review the Tutorial on the website to learn how to use the new website.

Reference materials that prove to be helpful during annual refresher training include but are not limited to:

- 2010 Incident Response Pocket Guide (IRPG)
- 2012 SAFENET Summary
- 2012 Safety Gram
- Agency/Unit specific policy

The WFSTAR group would like to thank-you for your support with input and recommendations to make this product meet the needs of the field. As always, please take time to provide us with your thoughts on the “FEEDBACK” link to improve your annual refresher training.

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