



**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
DIVISION OF FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY  
BUREAU OF FIRE ACCREDITATION,  
STANDARDS AND TRAINING**



**COURSE NOTIFICATION**

<b>Course Title:</b> <u>NFA - Decision Making for Initial Company Operations (F0457)</u>	
<b>Course Date(s):</b> <u>November 2-3, 2019</u>	<b>Course Number:</b> <u>20-021</u>
<b>Registration Deadline:</b> <u>September 13, 2019</u>	
<b>Host:</b> <u>Ninilchik Emergency Services</u>	
<b>Location:</b> <u>Ninilchik Emergency Services 15727 Kingsley Road, Ninilchik, AK 99639</u>	

<b>Min./Max. Students:</b> <u>15/30</u>
<b>Course Instructor:</b> <u>TBD</u>
<b>Course Costs:</b> <u>BFAST/NFA Sponsored - No Fees</u>
<b>*Certification Fee:</b> <u>N/A</u>

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

This two-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. In addition to a possible role as the initial Incident Commander, the CO may well be assigned a subordinate position within the Incident Command System organization. COs need to have a clear understanding of the system, the position that they are assigned to, and their role in the organization if they are to function effectively and help make the system work. This course is an excellent review for experienced COs.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:**

This course is specifically designed for newly appointed COs and for firefighters who may have acting CO responsibilities or who want to become a CO.

**COURSE PREREQUISITES:**

ICS 100 level and ICS 200 level training. Preferred courses are Q462 and Q463 available through [NFA Online](https://nfa.usfa.fema.gov/ax/syll/syllabus_f0457.pdf). Chief's signature attests that the applicant has completed this required training. Syllabus: [https://nfa.usfa.fema.gov/ax/syll/syllabus\\_f0457.pdf](https://nfa.usfa.fema.gov/ax/syll/syllabus_f0457.pdf).

**STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:**

Each student must have a FEMA Student Identification (SID) Number: <https://cdp.dhs.gov/femasid>. Course materials will be provided to registered students at the beginning of class. 100% attendance and participation is required. The student or his/her sponsoring agency is responsible for all costs for transportation, food, and lodging.

*\*AFSC certification is optional and additional state testing fees are applied at the conclusion of the course.*

**Complete the [BFAST Registration Form](#) associated with this course to receive authorization to attend this training.**