



# 5022601 – LARGE-SCALE APARTMENT FIRES

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THIS TRAINING PROGRAM PREPARES FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL TO OPERATE EFFECTIVELY AT FIRES IN MODERN, LARGE-SCALE APARTMENT COMPLEXES. AS RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES TO EVOLVE, FIREFIGHTERS ARE INCREASINGLY FACED WITH BUILDINGS THAT ARE LARGER, MORE COMPLEX, AND BUILT WITH NEWER MATERIALS AND METHODS THAT SIGNIFICANTLY INFLUENCE FIRE BEHAVIOR AND FIREGROUND OPERATIONS. THE COURSE EXAMINES CONTEMPORARY APARTMENT BUILDING CONSTRUCTION, APPLICABLE BUILDING CODES, AND THE OPERATIONAL CHALLENGES THESE FEATURES CREATE, INCLUDING ACCESS LIMITATIONS, LIGHTWEIGHT CONSTRUCTION, EXTENDED TRAVEL DISTANCES, AND INCREASED RESOURCE DEMANDS. THE PROGRAM ALSO FOCUSES ON STRATEGIES, TECHNIQUES, AND BEST PRACTICES THAT HELP FIRE DEPARTMENTS OVERCOME THESE CHALLENGES WHILE MAINTAINING FIREFIGHTER SAFETY AND OPERATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS. THROUGH AN INTERACTIVE FORMAT THAT INCLUDES LECTURE, VIDEO ANALYSIS, GROUP DISCUSSION, AND A SHORT DEMONSTRATION, PARTICIPANTS WILL EXPLORE SIZE-UP CONSIDERATIONS, COMMAND AND CONTROL, RESOURCE DEPLOYMENT, AND COORDINATED OPERATIONS AT LARGE-SCALE APARTMENT FIRES. THIS CLASS IS DESIGNED TO PROVIDE PRACTICAL, REAL-WORLD INSIGHT THAT CAN BE IMMEDIATELY APPLIED TO INCIDENTS INVOLVING TODAY'S LARGE RESIDENTIAL OCCUPANCIES.

