







Bush Fire Awareness Training

Who Should Attend This Training

Any non-fire fighting personnel who need access to an active fire ground in the course of their work.

The course is especially helpful for utility suppliers (electricity, water, gas, telephone) who need to restore services to the community as soon as possible, or who may need to take precautionary measures ahead of a fire.

Course Format

This course uses a mixture of audio-visual presentations, group discussion and interactive participation.

Participant Numbers

This course is designed to cater for a minimum of 10 and a maximum of 30 participants.

Assessment and Accreditation

Assessment comprises a theory exam.

All participants who successfully complete this course will receive a NSW RFS credential certifying that they have received the appropriate training to enter onto an active fire ground under specified conditions.

Conditions for entry to a fire ground

- This credential must be produced as it certifies that the bearer has completed an accredited bush fire awareness course that provides them with an understanding of required safe working practices on a fire ground.
- A person is required to wear full personal protective equipment at all times while on a fire ground.
- This credential does not entitle the bearer to unrestricted access to any fire ground. Access to a fire ground is at the sole discretion of the Incident Controller or Police.
- At all times the bearer acknowledges that they enter the fire ground at their own risk and that the NSW RFS takes no responsibility for their actions or any injuries or damage sustained while on the fire ground.



Course Duration and Location

This course requires 4 hours to complete.

It can be delivered in your workplace, or at any NSW RFS training facility.

Course Content

- The essential elements required for a wild fire to burn, and how these elements relate to extinguishment.
- Factors that affect wild fire behaviour.
- Basic wild fire suppression strategies and tactics.
- Common risks of a wild fire affected workplace and the precautions to be taken to reduce these risks.
- Options available to protect personnel from the hazards of an approaching fire.
- How personnel working at an incident are organised and communicate with one another.
- Procedures for gaining access to a fire ground.

Be trained by the world's largest volunteer firefighting agency

NSW Rural Fire Service provides fire fighting and prevention services to more than 95% of the area of NSW.

The NSW RFS draws on a membership of some 70,000 volunteers from over 2,100 brigades located across the State. This course is based on training provided to NSW RFS members.

Courses are run by competent instructors who are also NSW RFS volunteers. This means your course instructor has extensive practical fire and safety experience and knowledge.

Support your local brigade.

Revenue generated through these courses directly supports the work of our volunteers through professional development and opportunities such as access to specialised international and domestic training, conference attendance and improved training facilities.

How to Book

To book a NSW Rural Fire Service training course email: corporate.training@rfs.nsw.gov.au or phone: (02) 8741 4908



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