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## Training Schedule January – June 2023

### January

**Focus** for duty and paid crews is **Benchmark 1** (Single engine handline forward lay) and **Benchmark 2** Offensive 2 engine reverse lay). Knock these two Benchmark drills out over the four weeks of January. Integrate techniques for reducing nozzle reaction and safe maneuver of hose lines into the training.

**January 12 – Chief Johnson.** Kick Off Drill for 2023. Chief Johnson will go over his expectations, rules of engagement and a quick review of driving issues. This will be a classroom drill.

**January 26– AC Murphy, CPT Belcher and LT Buie.** Benchmark 7 ISO Double Dump Tank Drill with Hope Mills, Cotton, Pearce Mills, Puppy Creek, E-17 and E-11. All recruits will train at this drill to achieve their water supply requirements.

### February

**Focus** will be on **electrical safety** to include solar panels, downed wires, electrical services we encounter at structure fires. Review the following videos:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jmmmzLIMxsQ>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kuDfDWUrEus>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K2EWQUPiXKc>

Knock out **Benchmarks 3** (Offensive single engine handline lead out) and **Benchmark 4** (Defensive single engine master stream portable transitioning to Defensive single engine master stream portable FDC) over the four weeks of the month.

**February 9 – AC Richtmeyer, FFD Lithium Batteries and CO-2 System Issue.**  
Conducted at Station

**February 23 – AC Hanzal, CPT Kline and LT Cammuse.** Benchmark 8 (Elevated master stream reverse lay with engine supporting the ladder truck)

### March

**Focus** for this month is **vehicle extrication**. Please review the tools on R-13 in preparation for the extrication drill. Also review this video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0Ns2eiKwZMQ>

**March 9 – AC Johnson, CPT Pomales, LT R. Gorman.** Vehicle extrication – hydraulic tools, saws, air bags, cribbing and jacks. We will have vehicles to cut upon.

**March 23 – AC Hanzal and LT Sola.** Benchmark 5 (Drafting operations single engine drop tank).

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## **April**

**Focus** for this month is vertical ventilation and vehicle fires. We will use both simulators to achieve our objectives. Go over hose practices and nozzle handling for vehicle fires in preparation for the live fire operations we will be doing on the 27<sup>th</sup>. Review these videos: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jbIMRG\\_6wA4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jbIMRG_6wA4)  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8QPvZMu5O\\_Q](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8QPvZMu5O_Q)

**April 13 - AC Johnson, CPT Swartz and LT Goodwin.** Benchmark 6 (Peak Roof vertical ventilation) with concurrent training on chain and rotary saws.

**April 27 – AC Murphy, CPT Belcher and LT Buie.** Live fire training with the gas fired vehicle. We will conduct this at Station 13 and integrate walk throughs and rolling responses.

## **May**

**Focus** for May is water rescue. We will use the boats on Lake Upchurch for both drills. Familiarize your crews with all the equipment carried on our boats, the PFDs and trailering the boats. Please review the following videos which provide a very basic overview of swift water rescue techniques.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p-Yj0ubkZDU&list=PLkSF-PP0nXXuchS6iUpAa5A36pPL9ZaO&index=3>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q6JoUq9p6f0&list=RDCMUCFevfacNXSzzq6NauCVUOGQ&index=21>

Please review these videos on swift water boat operations.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m6eP5I0SHrE>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oj5osbUFInc&list=RDCMUCFevfacNXSzzq6NauCVUOGQ&index=2>

**May 11 – AC Hanzal, LT Sola and CPT Austin.** Swim test and boat operations on Lake Upchurch. We will conduct a swim test to assess our firefighters capability and use both boats to teach “picks” and recoveries. Wear swim gear or clothing you are not concerned about getting dirty or wet.

**May 25 – AC Murphy, CPT Kline and LT Cammuse.** Boat operations on Lake Upchurch. We will include Station 4’s boats to come and work with us doing rescue scenarios.

## **June**

Focus for this month will be rigging and high angle rescue. Review the knots required for high angle rescue and ensure your firefighters’ competency to support our technical rescuers in rigging and high angle. A list of knots will be provided.

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**June 8 – AC Johnson, CPT Pomaes and LT R. Gorman.** Basic rigging for high angle rescue. We will cover the Z-drag, anchors, stokes basket rigging, lowers and raises. This will be conducted on the tower at Station 13.

**June 22 – AC Murphy, CPT Belcher and LT Goodwin.** Scenario based high angle rescue using Station 13's tower.

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