

Wilton Fire Department Office of the Deputy Fire Chief John Plofkin, Jr.



April 2021 Wilton FD DC Training report

Training

- Monthly training topic was Master streams/portable master streams and ladder pipe operations.
 Fire department SOP's/SOG's 204, 307 were reviewed. Training was held at FD HQ apron flowing portable and fixed master streams. Truck 5 standpipe fitting was used for elevated hose evolutions at the 50 Danbury Road parking garage simulating a roof top fire.
 - This months' training rendered a change in the packing and storage of our 2 ½" handlines, with larger loops put in place for a safer operation and more rapid deployment.
- Monthly EMS training was infant/adult CPR and AED annual refresher
- Met with the town's HVAC contractor to review the heating/cooling options for the classroom space. The contractor will be writing up a new proposal for a new system which will be more efficient and comfortable.
- On April 24th on duty members provided "hands on" fire extinguisher training to 25 members of the Wilton CERT team at fire headquarters from 9am-11am.
- Additional training conducted by Jeff Chandler (retired CT DEEP) of First Choice Safety Solutions, who did 4 separate presentations on radiological metering and the handling of these incidents

Health and Safety-

- Annual SCBA face piece fit testing has started this month and should be completed by the beginning of May.
- FF Don Scarpetti had 22 cylinders hydrostatically tested in the month of April which completes our 5-year certification testing on our 60 SCBA cylinders.
- Steve Pendl from CIRMA came in on April 1st and did a complimentary compliance review of HQ and Station 2 including photos, positive workplace items and areas that can be corrected.
- Re-organized COVID 19 supplies in our storage area and also is in the process of downsizing our existing kits for the apparatus, which are more ergonomic and space saving.

- Annual personal protective equipment inspections started by all shifts, with a completion date of May 7th. A total of 4 sets of turnout gear were removed from service, since they had reached their NFPA end of service life dates.
- Signal 99 protocol is still in its review phase with the police department.
- Fire protection system at fire HQ was checked and serviced by Brake Fire Inspection.
- Tower Generators came in and did their annual service on the station generators.
- Weekly apparatus PM check binder re-organized by apparatus designation, to make it easier to track issues with defective equipment.