

BULLETIN

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TO: Firefighters & Firefighter Paramedics

FROM: Willy Melendez, Battalion Chief, Training & Education Division

SUBJECT: Confined Space Rescue Technician Course

The Training and Education Division will be offering a California State Fire Marshall Confined Space Technician course free of charge to San Diego Fire-Rescue personnel. This course will be open to Firefighters, and Firefighter Paramedics on a first-come-first-served basis. There will be a total of 16 slots for the class. The class will be held at NTC. You will also receive a California State Fire Marshall certificate. This class is a requirement to be a member of the Technical Rescue Team (TRT) and Urban Search & Rescue (US&R) CA-TF8.

- **Confined Space Technician**
 - October 14-18, 2024
 - 0800-1700 hours each day at NTC
 - **Prerequisites:** Online IS-100, IS-200, IS-700, IS-800, and Rope Rescue Awareness/Operations or LARRO and Rescue Systems 1, and Confined Space Awareness
 - PPE – Helmet, eye protection, safety boots, gloves, brush pants and coat
 - Water/Gatorade

These courses are designed to provide the knowledge and skills to prepare firefighters to operate in an operational and technical environment.

San Diego Fire-Rescue will cover tuition costs. All participants will be required to attend the class on their own time. No overtime or backfill will be provided. Mandatory Exclusion (MX) will be provided for all eligible students.

How to Enroll in the Class:

- Enrollment for all classes will open on Vector Solutions
- Ensure the window to sign up on Vector Solutions has begun.
- From the Vector Solutions Home Page, Click on “My Events”
- From the “Open Events” list, click on the appropriate course.
- Click on “Enroll” to sign up for class (located in the upper right-hand corner). An email confirmation will be sent confirming enrollment.

Prior to signing up, please carefully consider if you can commit to attending the class. If you must cancel and it is within 14 days before the start of the course, please submit an email via the chain of command detailing the reason for canceling to Battalion Chief Willy Melendez at wmelendez@sandiego.gov. In accordance with [UASI guidelines](#), failure to cancel your registration less than **ten days** before the class starts will cause you to be placed on a list excluding you from future enrollment(s) for USAI related courses for one calendar year.