## "Modern House Fires: Strategic & Tactical Considerations for Success"

hree Americans will die each day in residential fires. It's our most Three Americans will die each day in residentials meet an important and dangerous alarm, yet one we're too often unprepared for. Modern house fires present more of a challenge to both large and small fire departments. If you apply standard, time tested residential strategy and tactics learned years ago, you might be setting yourself up for disaster. This program will provide what you need to know to be aggressive, effective, and to keep your members safe at your next house fire. Through interactive fireground simulations, on scene videos, case histories, and research, you'll learn the hazards of the modern house fire and strategic and tactical solutions to make your department safe and efficient. Topics will include: strategy and tactics for private dwellings converted to multiple dwellings, new search and rescue techniques, rapid and unique fire spread in modular construction, ventilation strategy, the critical importance of aggressive interior fire attack by delivering decisive amounts of water, and natural gas emergencies.

## Lieutenant Christopher Flatley & Training Officer Jerry Knapp

Chris Flatley is a 24-year veteran of the FDNY assigned to Ladder Co. 21 in Hell's Kitchen. He previously worked in Ladder Co. 2 in midtown Manhattan. Flatley is currently detailed to the Center for Terrorism & Disaster Preparedness as a master exercise practitioner on the Exercise Design Team and an information analyst for the Intel Section. He is also a member of the Incident Management Team and Family Assistance Unit. Flatley has twice served as chief of the Blauvelt Volunteer Fire Co. He is a nationally certified fire instructor 1 and instructor at the Beakland County Fire Team.





**Chris Flatley** 

Jerry Knapp

and instructor at the Rockland County Fire Training Center. *Jerry Knapp* is a 37-year veteran firefighter/EMT with the West Haverstraw Fire Department and is employed as a training officer at the Rockland County Fire Training Center. He is a battalion chief with the Rockland County Haz-Mat Task Force and a former nationally certified paramedic. Knapp is the author of the fire attack chapter in *Fire Engineering's Handbook for Firefighter I & II*. He is retired from the U.S. Military Academy, West Point, where he was the plans and operations specialist at the Directorate of Emergency Services. Both Flatley and Knapp have authored articles for leading fire service publications and lecture nationally.



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