

# **COURSE SYLLABUS**

## **for**

### **8-Hour Firesafety in Educational Facilities, State Fire Marshal Rule 69A-58**

#### **Course Description**

The course provides an in-depth review of the Uniform Firesafety Standards for Educational Facilities established in rule 69A-58, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.). The course includes instruction for firesafety inspections and maintenance of educational facilities.

#### **Course Timetable**

The class is one eight-hour day.

#### **Course Goals and Objectives**

The purpose of this course is to familiarize Fire Safety Inspectors as well as architects, facility managers, contractors, administrators and building officials with SFM Rule 69A-58, Uniform Firesafety Standards for Educational Facilities and the Florida Fire Prevention Code as well as sections of the Florida Statutes, NFPA, and FBC as they relate to the information spelled out in this rule. Upon successful completion of this course, participants should be familiar with SFM Rule 69A-58. Participants will also gain an understanding of the criteria for planning, designing, constructing, inspecting and operating Florida's educational facilities.

Specific objectives include:

- to inform designers, contractors, code officials and facilities managers about the uniform requirements to provide a reasonable degree of safety from fire in new construction and existing buildings located in educational facilities, educational plants, ancillary plants and auxiliary facilities under the jurisdiction of a district school board or a public college board of trustees;
- to familiarize students with the procedures for withdrawal of sites and facilities from use until unsafe conditions are corrected; and
- to remind participants of the firesafety rules for use by board fire officials and local fire officials when conducting plans reviews for new construction and firesafety inspections of new construction and existing buildings located in educational facilities, educational plants, ancillary plants, and auxiliary facilities to ensure the safety of occupants.

#### **Target Audience**

Designers, architects, contractors, inspectors, plan reviewers, building code officials, maintenance personnel, facility managers and administrators.

#### **Method of Delivery**

Classroom lecture with a PowerPoint slide presentation, including more than 300 slides.

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### **Method of Evaluation**

Discussion and group quizzes included in the presentation will be used to determine competency in inspection and technical skills.

### **Prerequisites**

A general understanding of building construction, SFM Rule 69A-58, the Florida Building Code and the Florida Fire Prevention Code.

### **Learning Resources**

2012 Edition of Firesafety in Educational Facilities (Rule 69A-58, F.A.C.)

2014 Edition of the State Requirements for Educational Facilities  
(incorporated by reference in rule 6A-2.0010, F.A.C.)

Eighth Edition of the Florida Building Code (2023 Edition)

Eighth Edition of the Florida Fire Prevention Code (2023 Edition)

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