



34. Fireground Leadership: Rebooting Old School Principles for Today's Demanding Fireground **AND** **From The Station to The Streets**

Rebooting Old School Principles for Today's Demanding Fireground

Much is being debated related to tactics, methodologies, practices and the learnings gleaned from emerging research and insights. What has today's fireground evolved into when we talk about traditional firefighting operations and engagement? Has it remained constant-Has it changed? Do we continue to operate utilizing time proven methodologies or are we prepared to identify new adaptive methodologies and practices? The demands on today's fire service require us to look back in order to progress forward. This keynote reboots the principles and operational practices of modern firefighting while integrating progressive models that build upon the fire company's skills, knowledge and abilities to effectively mitigate an incident that with aggressive firefighting, predictive risk management and tactical discipline associated with operational excellence.

From the Station to the Streets

Leadership starts at the station and transitions to the streets and incident scene requiring new skill sets, awareness, insights and operational adaptiveness. Leadership and Operations are integral and are fundamental to all facets; on and off the fireground. What defines Fireground Leadership in 2025 and beyond for Company and Command Officers.

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