

WILDLAND FIRE CHAIN SAWS

S-212

32 Hours, plus pre-course work

COURSE DESCRIPTION

The course lessons provide introduction to the function, maintenance and use of internal combustion engine powered chain saws, and their tactical wildland fire application. Field exercises support entry level training for firefighters with little or no previous experience in operating a chain saw, providing hands-on cutting experience in surroundings similar to fireline situations.

OBJECTIVES

- List, define, and apply chain saw safety standards.
- Incorporate the approved use, maintenance, and function of personal protective equipment (PPE) in wildland fire chain saw applications.
- Identify basic chain saw parts nomenclature, maintenance, tuning, troubleshooting, and safety features.
- Demonstrate field maintenance tasks required for chain saw operation.
- Demonstrate the tactical application of chain saws in brushing, limbing, bucking, and falling for fireline construction and mop up operations.

TARGET GROUP

Required training for all wildland fire chain saw operator positions.

TRAINEE PREREQUISITES

FFT2 Qualified and current certification in Basic First Aid and CPR.

COURSE DATES

May 19-22, 2009

LOCATION

Boise State University

COORDINATORS

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