



Division of Fire & Life Safety

**Bureau of Community Care
Healthcare Quality**

South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control

Healthy People. **Healthy Communities.**



DHEC Fire Response Training

Fire Response Training including hands on fire extinguisher training is available through the DHEC Division of Fire and Life Safety to DHEC licensed facilities at no cost. The training is hands on, conducted in a safe and positive manner using realistic props and suitable for each individual facility type. Training is in small groups of 3-4 participants for 10-15 minutes per group.

Choosing & Using Fire Extinguishers.

Activating the Fire Alarm System & 911.

Evacuating & Accounting for residents and staff.

Conducting Fire Drills

To schedule training contact: mcalhadtd@dhec.sc.gov



Fire Watch

South Carolina Fire Code 901.7 Systems out of service. Where a required *fire protection system* is out of service, the fire department and the *fire code official* shall be notified immediately and, where required by the *fire code official*, the building shall be either evacuated or an *approved* fire watch shall be provided for all occupants left unprotected by the shutdown until the *fire protection system* has been returned to service.

Where utilized, fire watches shall be provided with not less than one *approved* means for notification of the fire department and their only duty shall be to perform constant patrols of the protected premises and keep watch for fires.

DHEC Requires notification for impairments of more than four hours. firewatch@dhec.sc.gov