



Forensic Fire Death Investigation Course (FFDIC)

San Luis Obispo, California — June 24-28, 2013 (40 Hours)

Presented by the San Luis Obispo Fire Investigation Strike Team (SLOFIST) and the San Luis Obispo County Sheriff's Office, Coroner Division

Seasoned investigators and detectives from fire and law enforcement agencies will gain the knowledge and skills to thoroughly and professionally investigate any fire death situation.

Participants will learn the various aspects of fire-related death investigations as well as common approaches to process each scene appropriately. Participants will learn a systematic process for handling the crime scene, from the initial approach, through scene documentation, and appropriate evidence collection techniques. Additionally, participants will see how the latest technology and forensic sciences can assist in your investigation.

In addition to hands-on processing of crime scenes with cadavers, you will gain valuable knowledge regarding appropriate handling of involved agencies and the media.

Topics Include:

- Fire death scene preservation
- Duties of responding fire personnel
- Duties of responding law enforcement
- Investigative procedures at the death scene
- The team approach to death investigations
- Causes and manner of fire-related death
- Roadside body dump and burn cases
- Forensic means to determine time of death
- Processing burned vehicles and rooms
- Antemortem vs. postmortem burns
- Biological evidence related to fire deaths

Audience:

Detectives, coroners, crime scene investigators, fire investigators, forensic anthropologists, and medical examiners.

Course Fee: \$995

California attendees: FFDIC is California POST Plan IV Certified (Control #2440-30183-12-001). POST will reimburse qualified agencies for subsistence, commuter lunch, and travel.

Course Fee

The course fee includes tuition, a student reference manual and study materials. SLOFIST accepts checks, cash, and agency purchase orders. Credit Card payments (add 3.5% surcharge) may be made through the SLOFIST online registration link.

Registration

To enroll, register online at www.slofist.org. A maximum of 48 students are allocated for this course.

Transportation and Lodging

The San Luis Obispo County Airport is within ten miles of the training location. The Embassy Suites San Luis Obispo Hotel has a limited special rate for SLOFIST program participants. For more information, please visit our website at www.slofist.org or contact Stuart MacDonald or John Madden at (805) 703-4736.

Continuing Education Credits

This course is approved for 24 CEU's for Emergency Medical Technicians for medical recertification.

Visit the SLOFIST FFDIC website for additional information at www.slofist.org.