



2026 DNR Operator Safety Training

DNR's annual **Operator Safety Training** for wildfire response may include elements of wildland fire safety concepts, operational hazards and equipment preparedness. There will be a practice fire shelter deployment. It is intended for fallers and heavy equipment operators who are:

- **Signing up for a DNR Operations Preseason Agreement (those who have fireline resources)**
-OR-
- **Interested in potential for DNR Hire-at-Fire opportunities**

Resources who sign up for a VIPR contract or Forest Service EERA must obtain training from an Approved MOU provider. DNR Operator Safety Training **will not** meet the Federal criteria.

-NORTHEAST REGION

-Arcadia District

Dates/Times:

- Wednesday, April 1, 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM
- Wednesday, April 15, 5:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Location: Deer Park Work Center, 1002 E Crawford, Deer Park, WA

***Space is limited, please RSVP - Contact Brett Oldenburg, 509-640-8042, brett.oldenburg@dnr.wa.gov**

-North Columbia District

Date/Time: Saturday, March 21, 0900

Location: Stevens County Fire District 4 Training Center, 3060 3rd Ave, Valley, WA. 99181

Date/Time: Saturday, March 28th, 0900

Location: DNR Amory Conference Room, Colville, WA

Contact representative: Elijah Skeen, Cell 509-640-1080 or eli.skeen@dnr.wa.gov

-Highlands

Date/Time: Sunday, April 12, 09:30 AM

Location: Tonasket Fire Hall, 520 Western Avenue, Tonasket WA

Contact Elijah Noel at 509-563-9086 or Elijah.noel@dnr.wa.gov **OR**

Wyatt Breezee at 509-675-7992 or wyatt.breezee@dnr.wa.gov

-Okanogan

Date/Time: Saturday, May 30, 10:00 AM

Location: 102 K Omak Airport Rd, Omak WA

Contact Daniel Montano at 509-640-1404 or Daniel.montano@dnr.wa.gov

-NORTHWEST REGION

Date: Saturday, May 30, 0900 to 1200

Location: NW Region Office, 919 N. Township St., Sedro Woolley, WA 98284

Contact Matt Cervenka, Fire Training Coordinator, Cell 253-263-5001, matt.cervenka@dnr.wa.gov



-OLYMPIC REGION

One Operator Safety Training will be held:

Date: Tuesday, May 5, 2025, 0900-1230

Location: Olympic Region Conference Center, 411 Tillicum Lane, Forks, WA 98331

Contact: or additional details - Tisha Anderson, Fire Training and Dispatch Coordinator
360-640-1766 or 360-374-2800, tisha.anderson@dnr.wa.gov

-PACIFIC CASCADE REGION

Dates/Times:

- Friday, April 10th Start time 0900
- Friday, April 17th Start time 0900
- Saturday, May 16th Start time 0900

Location: DNR Castle Rock Headquarters, 601 Bond Rd. Castle Rock, WA

To sign up contact: PC Fire Training 360-575-5016 or PCFIRETRAINING@DNR.WA.GOV

-SOUTHEAST REGION

Chelan Fire Unit

Date/Time: Tuesday, March 24, 1000

Location: 5552 Industry Lane, East Wenatchee, WA 98802.

Contact Anthony Rosenthal, Fire Regulation and Prevention Technician, 509-856-5519

Yakima Fire Unit

Date/Time: Thursday, April 23, 2026, 1700-2000

Date/Time: Monday, May 25, 2026, 1700-2000

Location: Naches Work Center, 102 Naches Ave, Naches, WA 98937

To sign up contact: Tyler Meyer, Assistant Fire Management Officer, 509-899-0768, Tyler.meyer@dnr.wa.gov

-SOUTH PUGET SOUND REGION

Date/Time: Monday, April 13, 0900 AM

Location: 2600 Willamette Dr NW, Lacey, WA 98516

Contact: To sign up Call or Email SPS Dispatch 360-802-7080, dnrrespsdispatch@dnr.wa.gov

This document will be updated when additional class dates/locations are received.

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