

# **TRAINING FACILITY CENTER**

## **PAM**

### **CHAPTER 3.4**

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#### **Purpose**

To ensure the safety of all persons using the Alachua County Fire Rescue Training Center Facility. To protect the Facility for continued use and assure the security of the area. To provide general building issues for Live Fire Training, in conjunction with the Live Fire Training SOG Chapter 3.5

#### **General**

The Training Center is situated on 1.8 acres of land within the property of the Professional Academies Magnet (PAM) at Lofton High School located at 3000 East University Avenue, Gainesville, FL. The Training Center consists of a 20' x 30' classroom building with a 20' x 30' roofed open area; a Training Building constructed of "conex" metal storage containers; and vehicle props for fire and extrication, among other items. A serviceable hydrant is located approximately 200' north of the facility. An agricultural/horticultural Nursery next to the Training Center has restroom and shower facilities for use by participants. PAM has a Class A engine for use at the Training Center that will be parked at the facility.

#### **Use/Scheduling**

Orientation to the facility, grounds, and security must be obtained from the Training Division prior to any use of the facilities. Departments other than ACFR wishing to use the Training Center must have prior approval from the Assistant Chief of Technical Services and may require the presence of a Training Captain.

Use of the by ACFR companies must be approved by a District Chief or Technical Services and requires the presence of a company officer. Any IDLH, high angle, or other than basic FF or Company training shall require the presence of a Technical Services representative.

PAM students and their Director/Chief may utilize the facility for their own use without the requirements noted above.

All clothing and equipment must be appropriate for the type of training performed.

## **Security**

Keys to the Training Building, Nursery gate and bathrooms will be located in the classroom building. Technical Services, District Chiefs, and the PAM Director will have knowledge of a “hide-a-key” to the classroom building. Technical Services, District 5, and Engine 60 will possess a key to the main gate. If daytime training is conducted during a Holiday observed by the Alachua County School Board, or daytimes that school is otherwise not in session, the main gate must be left in a closed position and “dummy locked” at a minimum. Staff will place an “ACFR Training” sign at the main gate to inform any school personnel. The main gate will be locked during any night or weekend training.

## **After use**

Following training sessions, the building and grounds must be cleaned up and returned to the original state. Cans, trash, and other items not part of the facility must be removed and disposed of properly. (Unused pallets, hay, and other materials may be stored inside the Training Building for future use).

The building should be swept and/or hosed down after use as needed. All windows and doors shall be secured to prevent weather damage and vagrancy. When leaving the facility, the Training Building, classroom and Nursery gate will be locked and all keys left in the classroom. If training is completed after school hours, the main gate will be locked and secured. Departments that use the facility improperly, cause damage, do not bear the cost of repairs, or fail to clean the buildings or grounds will not be allowed future use of the Facility. In addition, departments that do not adhere to the Facility SOG may not be allowed on the Facility grounds. Any damage to the buildings or grounds during training are to be reported to the Training Division. Repairs and all costs thereof are the responsibility of the damaging agency. Any damage to the Training Center buildings, grounds, props, etc. shall be reported to the on-duty District Chief’s immediately and appropriate paperwork completed. The Assistant Chief of Technical Services will be notified via email.

Considerable time, effort, manpower and money have been expended to construct the Training Facility. Engine Companies that participate in Facility Training are encouraged to make every effort to minimize damage to the Facility.

ACFR crews that use the facility improperly, cause damage (reported or unreported), or fail to clean the buildings or grounds may be subject to disciplinary action(s).

## **Live Fire**

**Live Fire exercises at the Fire Training Center shall be conducted under the direct supervision and presence of ACFR Training Division personnel or other personnel approved by the Assistant Chief of Technical Services. Any training utilizing live fire that is not approved will result in disciplinary action.**

All Live Fire Instructors and Procedures shall adhere to FL Statute 69a-37, NFPA 1403 and ACFR Live Fire Training SOG Chapter 3.5.