

workable solutions to improve firefighter health

Date: July 2nd

Location: West Midlands Fire Service Headquarters, 99 Vauxhall Road, Birmingham B7 4HW

Why Attend the Healthier Firefighters **Conference?**

Held in partnership with Vimpex, Fire Knowledge and FIRE magazine are pleased to present a forthcoming event on the evidence-led approach to decontamination. The Healthier Firefighters Today conference will apply a science-based approach and will inform fire and rescue services on the removal of harmful contaminants from firefighting clothing.

This ground-breaking event will raise the bar on providing workable solutions to improve firefighter health. It will do this by focusing on best practice, adopting an expert-led scientific approach and being solution-focused.

It will include talks from acknowledged experts in laundry and chemistry, alongside user experiences. It will inform on options for short, medium and long-term improvements to firefighters' health.



Conference Benefits:

- Inform delegates of global best practice
- Adopt an expert-led scientific approach
- Solution-focused, learning from user experience
- Fully inclusive and FREE for all fire and rescue personnel

Chair:

Brett Egan-Briers, Vice Chair of the NFCC PPE and Clothing Committee

Speakers:

Riccardo La Torre, Fire Brigades Union, 'Union perspective – cancer deaths – improved decontamination' (Confirmed)

Brett Egan-Briers, Vice Chair of NFCC PPE and Clothing Committee, 'NFCC perspectives on available decontamination technologies' (Confirmed)

Ingemar Lejon, Lejon Kemi, 'Perspectives from The Nordics and update on H_2O cleaning research' (Confirmed)

Anna Lorenston, Electrolux Professional, 'Laundry cleaning - Electrolux Professional' (Confirmed)

Adam Stone, London Fire Brigade, 'BA cleaning project and new BA roll-out' (Confirmed)

David Brown, West Midlands Fire Service, 'Field decontamination project' (Confirmed)

Additional Expert Panellists:

Gorazd Stebe, CODEX Technologies d.o.o., 'Combination cleaning – H_2O/CO_2 ' (Confirmed)

Jan Hamrefors, SiOX Machines, 'CO₂ decontamination' (Confirmed)

Hazem Matar, PAH Analysis and Contaminants Identification (Confirmed)

Chris Hands, West Midlands FRS, BA Washing Experiences (Confirmed)

John Lord, SimTrainer UK, Raising awareness of the risk of contaminants (Confirmed)

The Healthier Firefighters Today conference will:

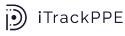
- Apply science-based and evidence-led approach to decontamination
- Inform fire and rescue services on removal of harmful contaminants from firefighting clothing
- Hear from acknowledged experts in laundry, chemistry and user experiences
- Inform delegates on options for short, medium and long-term improvements to firefighter health

Who should attend?

- Firefighters and frontline responders
- Senior leaders in fire and emergency response
- Fire and rescue personnel
- Occupational health professionals
- Human resources professionals
- Fire authority members
- Police fire and crime
- Fire industry equipment suppliers
- Fire sector experts and stakeholders
- Leaders from blue light services













Healthier Firefighters Today: Evidential Approaches to Effective Decontamination - Programme

Registration & Refreshments

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10.00	Introduction: FIRE Editor Andrew Ledgerton-Lynch OBE
10.05	Chair's Introduction: Brett Egan-Briers
10.10	Session 1: End User Perspectives
	Keynote Address 1: NFCC perspectives on available decontamination technologies
	Brett Egan-Briers, Vice Chair of NFCC PPE and Clothing Committee
	Keynote Address 2: Welcome from West Midlands Fire Service <i>David Brown, West Midlands Fire Service</i>
11.10	Refreshments
11.30	Session 2: Cancer Deaths and FRS Response
	Keynote Address 3: Union perspective – cancer deaths – improved decontamination
	Riccardo La Torre, Fire Brigades Union
	Keynote Address 4: BA cleaning project and new BA roll-out <i>Adam Stone, London Fire Brigade</i>
12.30	Q&A session
1pm	Lunch
2.00	Session 3: Industry Perspectives
	Keynote Address 5: Perspectives from The Nordics and update on H_2O cleaning research
	Ingemar Lejon, Lejon Kemi
	Keynote Address 6: Laundry cleaning – Electrolux Professional Anna Lorenston, Electrolux Professional
3.00	Refreshments
3.20	Panel Session: Collaborative Solutions
	Combination cleaning - H_2O/CO_2 , Gorazd Stebe, CODEX Technologies d.o.o.
	CO ₂ decontamination, Jan Hamrefors, SiOX Machines
	Decontamination research, Hazem Matar, Associate Professor, Hertfordshire University
	Plus speakers
4.20	Closing Remarks













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Healthier Firefighters Today: Evidential Approaches to Effective Decontamination is FREE for all fire and rescue personnel. Non-fire service personnel £125 plus VAT.

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