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Airport Fire and Rescue Service Personnel Attend RTCI Course

Four Airport Fire and Rescue Service operational personnel have successfully completed a Road Traffic Collision Instructors course at the Fire Service College in Moreton-In-Marsh, Gloucestershire, UK.

The course provided Firefighter Cabezutto, Firefighter Linares, Leading Firefighter Brennan and Sub Officer Afzan with the knowledge, skills and understanding to ensure that they can effectively deliver the necessary instruction and training to firefighters attending road traffic and other incidents requiring casualty extrication. It continuously assessed the candidates through a combination of scenario-based exercises and practical demonstrations using a variety of specialist tools and equipment.

Instructional and presentation techniques were also evaluated as were their environmental impact and risk assessment skills, starting from the initial approach to the incident, trauma and casualty care, to the incident's resolution and subsequent collision investigation procedures. A wide range of scenarios were covered, from low speed incidents to more complex high speed incidents as well as learning about the continuous developments in car technology, including electric vehicles, which pose different challenges and complexities in safely extracting casualties.

All the delegates were subjected to realistic working environments which exposed them to constant pressure when taking decisions to resolve complex operational incidents, whilst simultaneously being assessed for effectiveness. This course is accredited by The Institution of Fire Engineers and includes a Level 3, Skills for Justice Award.

The AFRS Senior Fire Officer said, "Our instructors will now incorporate their newly acquired skills and techniques within the firefighters' Maintenance of Competency skills programme to ensure they are all updated with the latest advances in this constantly evolving field.

Through our investment in their continued professional development, scenario based training and by equipping them with the right tools our firefighters will further increase their skills to ensure they can safely respond to and efficiently deal with any potential incident necessitating casualty extrication".