



# Pennsylvania State Fire Academy

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## Minimum Standard for Accreditation (MSA)

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**Course Title:** Special Vehicle Rescue (Dept. of Health) (DHSV)

**Length of Course:** 16 Hours

**Lecture/Lab Breakdown:** 16/0

**Prerequisites:** DHVR

**Referenced Texts:** "Special Vehicle Rescue Instructor Lesson Plans"; Highway Safety Center, School of Continuing Education, Indiana University of PA, 1984

**Course Goal:** This course will prepare the student who is knowledgeable in basic vehicle rescue operations to deal with large scale vehicle accidents in a safe, effective, patient-oriented manner.

**Description of Course:** This course is part of a comprehensive rescue training program developed and promulgated by the PA Dept. of Health. It builds upon the knowledge and skill acquired in the prerequisite to prepare the student to deal with rescue situations involving larger vehicles such as buses and large trucks. This course is taught to the standards established by the PA Dept. of Health; the written examination required for certification as a Special Vehicle Rescue Technician is administered at the conclusion of this course.

**Description of Methodology to be used: (Brief)** Lecture, with some discussion as applicable. Whenever possible, field trips to view and discuss the vehicles and problems covered should be made. This course must be taught and administered in compliance with the procedures set forth by the PA Dept. of Health, State Rescue Co-ordinator's Office.

**Student Equipment/Supply Needs:** Pen/Pencil, Notebook

**Equipment/Audiovisual/Supply requirements:** Classroom of sufficient capacity; audiovisual equipment/productions as specified by the instructor and approved by the State Rescue Co-ordinator's Office.

### **COURSE OUTLINE** **(General - Not Detailed)**

<b><u>Time</u></b>	<b><u>Content</u></b>	<b><u>Instructor Notes</u></b>
1:00 (continued)	Introduction & Overview	
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1:30	Tools & Equipment
5:00	Preparation, Size Up, Hazard Recognition/Control
3:00	Access
2:00	Disentanglement
1:00	Removal
1:00	Post Rescue
1:30	Field Trips

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**Competency Evaluation Mechanism (Brief description-attach copy):** Written examination administered in accordance with the procedures set forth by the PA Dept. of Health.

**Course Objectives (specific):** Specific objectives for this course are those listed in the referenced text for each lesson.

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