

# DELAWARE WILDLAND FIRE CREW ASSIGNMENTS: DIVERSITY OF DESTINATIONS



- Arizona
- Alaska
- California
- Colorado
- Florida
- Idaho
- Minnesota
- Montana
- Nevada
- New York
- Oregon
- South Dakota
- Utah
- Virginia
- Washington
- Wyoming

**LET'S CREATE  
MEMORIES TOGETHER!**

## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Must be 18 years of age or older
- Must complete required training course
- must pass a work capacity pack test
- Be willing to travel for three weeks
- Commitment to serving the public
- Ability to work well with others



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**REGISTER**

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**Fire Training**  
**Learn more about joining our TEAM**



# Training

Every year, the Delaware Forest Service offers courses required for certification under National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG) guidelines:

- L-180 Human Factors in the Wildland Fire Service**
- ICS-100 Intro to Incident Command System**
- ICS-700 National Incident Management System**
- S-190 Intro to Wildland Fire Behavior**
- S-130 Basic Wildland Firefighting**

In addition to completing these basic introductory-level courses, an annual work capacity (physical fitness) test is required. To qualify at the mandatory arduous level, candidates must carry a 45-lb. pack over a three-mile course in less than 45 minutes. A health screening questionnaire must also be completed just before taking the test.



Each year, millions of acres of forests, marshes, and grasslands across the United States are ravaged by wildfire. According to the National Interagency Fire Center, there were nearly 69,000 wildfires burning nearly nine million acres across the United States in 2024. But thanks to special fire training sponsored by the Delaware Department of Agriculture's Forest Service and the Delaware State Fire School, Delawareans from across the state can qualify to serve on national fire crews.

Since 1996, the Delaware Forest Service has trained over 1000 volunteer firefighters to be part of the 20-person crews it deploys on out-of-state wildfire assignments. The program continues to grow and is in need of additional firefighters who are interested in assisting the important national effort to control and contain devastating wildfires. Whereas Delaware used to send only one crew a year, we now have the capacity to dispatch multiple crews to fight fires in different regions of the United States.



# Benefits

**Teamwork & Camaraderie**  
Work alongside a dedicated, close-knit crew and build lasting bonds.

**Adventure**  
Every assignment is different, expect beautiful landscapes and challenging terrain.

**Hands-On Experience**  
Gain skills that strengthen your effectiveness on wildfire incidents.

**ICS Exposure**  
Learn how large-scale emergency operations run under the Incident Command System.

**Leadership Growth**  
Opportunities for advanced training and leadership roles.

**Personal Reward**  
Helping protect lives, homes, and natural resources is an incredibly fulfilling experience.

**Paid Assignments**  
Fully paid positions; a typical 18-23 day tour averages about \$6,000.