IFSI Library Mission Statement

The Illinois Fire Service Institute Library provides fire and emergency library and information assistance and services to the Institute’s instructional staff, students, Illinois fire departments and firefighters, and other fire/emergency-related users in the successful and effective performance of their jobs.

Code of Service

- The pursuit of excellent service requires the constant commitment and dedication of the library staff.
- Every library user, without discrimination, is welcomed courteously and given full attention.
- Information given to the library users will be based on current, verifiable sources and will be clearly communicated in a timely manner.

IFSI Mission Statement

Helping firefighters do their work through training, education, information and research.

Library Hours

8:00 AM – 5:00 PM / Monday – Friday
24 hours a day / 7 days a week by web
www.fsi.illinois.edu/content/library

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Quick Facts

- The largest fire and emergency response collection in Illinois, including the best audiovisual and periodical collections.
- Library and information literacy support for both fire and emergency service personnel and the general public.
- Statewide leader in preserving and sharing fire history resources, including the creation of IFLODD: The Illinois Firefighter Line of Duty Deaths Digital Image Collection Database.

User Training

The IFSI Library provides both online tutorials and librarian-assisted training to users about the best methods for searching and accessing library materials.

Some topics covered in user training are

- Using the Library’s search options through the Online Public Access Catalog (OPAC)
- Utilizing the interlibrary loan process
- Searching for specific sources of information such as IFSTA manuals, ASTM and NFPA codes and standards, and line of duty death reports

User training is available by

- PHONE 800-437-5891
- EMAIL fsi@library.illinois.edu
- Classroom workshops or one-on-one

Please contact the Library to schedule a training session.

Accessing IFSI Library Materials

Users can request IFSI Library materials in-person, via telephone or email, or using the “search and request materials” feature of the Online Public Access Catalog.

http://www.fsi.illinois.edu/content/library/

The standard loan period is 30 days; however the Library will consider extended loans upon request.

Requested library materials can be picked up in person at IFSI or delivered to a patron’s local library through the Interlibrary Loan service provided by the Illinois Heartland Library System. The interlibrary loan service is available at no charge to users.

www.fsi.illinois.edu/content/library/IFLODD

- Member of inFIRE (international network for Fire Information and Reference Exchange) – a worldwide consortium of fire and emergency libraries.