

Cortland County
FIRE INVESTIGATION TEAM

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The Cortland County Fire Investigation Team is currently accepting applications to fill anticipated vacancies. Vacancies exist for full investigators as well as in the apprentice program.

The qualifications for **apprentice membership** are as follows:

- 1) Applicants must be an active member of a Cortland County based fire department with a minimum of five years of experience
- 2) Applicants must submit to and pass a state and federal criminal and arson background check.
- 3) Applicants must submit three personal references and a letter of support from his/her department Chief.

Successful candidates selected for team membership are expected to complete the following within one calendar year:

- A) Applicants are required to complete the courses needed for New York State Fire Investigator Level I certification. These courses are *Fire Behavior & Arson Awareness* and *Principles of Fire Investigation*. (Exceptions to this requirement will be evaluated on a case-by case basis)
- B) Obtain New York State Fire Investigator Level I certification.
- C) Serve a one year probationary term with evaluations conducted by a Senior Investigator at 6 months and 1 year