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**Hydrogen Safety Awareness training program**

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**Key Message**

Hydrogen as a fuel source is becoming a popular substitute for fossil fuels. Due to the unique properties of hydrogen fuel, responders should be aware of the risks and hazards they may encounter.

**What happened? / What’s been happening?**

AFAC, in collaboration with Deakin University, have developed an online Hydrogen Safety Awareness training package.

**What does it mean for me? / What do I need to do?**

You should complete the eAcademy one-hour online program. It consists of seven sections that provide emergency responders an understanding of the properties and behavior of hydrogen. It also contains basic information on how to respond to incidents involving hydrogen.



Career Fire & Rescue Service personnel have been automatically enrolled and should complete this training as soon as practicable.

VFRS, VFES and SES personnel are encouraged to also complete this training.

**Further information / Want to know more?**

For further information, please contact DO Hazmat  
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