

FIREFIGHTER CANCER AWARENESS

Protection is Prevention

Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) needs to be worn from arrival at the scene to completion of any firefighting activity.

- Overheating
- Smoldering
- Flaming / Knockdown
- Overhaul and Salvage

Fire-Incident Contamination Reduction

This is a baseline for decontamination of responders during fire-related incidents. Based on your agency guidelines, make carcinogen reduction a priority.

- Remove gross contamination via water rinse
- Doff/Reduce PPE, apply dry clothing
- Gather / Decontaminate equipment on scene
- Shower at station and replace uniform
- Wash / Replace contaminated gear

FIREFIGHTER CANCER IS REAL!

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Testicular Cancer - 2.02 Times Greater
Multiple Myeloma - 1.53 Times Greater
Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma - 1.51 Times Greater
Skin Cancer - 1.39 Times Greater
Brain Cancer - 1.31 Times Greater
Malignant Melanoma - 1.31 Times Greater
Prostate Cancer - 1.28 Times Greater
Colon Cancer - 1.21 Times Greater
Leukemia - 1.14 Times Greater

The most likely causes are the chemicals emitted from regular household products when they burn.

