

Information Bulletin

The New York State Office of Fire Prevention and Control has issued post fire gross decontamination kits to all counties for use during OFPC classes that involve live fire. The kits are extremely easy to build and cost effective. The list below is intended to be your reference to build a kit for your firefighters.

Post Fire Gross Decontamination Kit

- **5 Gallon Pail**
 - Used to keep all tools together when not in use
 - May use hydrant type bags and boxes as an alternative
- **Garden Hose Accessories**
 - Hose nozzle
 - 1 ¾" to garden hose adapter
 - Low pressure water should be used
- **Spray Bottle**
 - Small hand spray type
 - Many departments have had success using 1 gallon pump type sprayers
- **Soft Bristled Brushes (Qty. 2)**
 - One regular car wash type brush
 - One smaller wheel type brush
 - **The smaller brush is great for scrubbing helmets, SCBAs, gloves and boots**
- **Basic Liquid Dish Soap**
- **Clear Construction Grade Garbage Bags**
 - To prevent cross contamination between the contaminated gear and clean areas
 - Many firefighter students transport their gear in their personal vehicles
- **Post Fire Wipes**
 - There are many commercially available wipes on the market
 - Wipes with less alcohol and no lotions are preferred to prevent contamination from spreading deeper into the skin
 - Wipes should be used on hands, neck, face and anywhere you feel may be contaminated
 - **Wipes do not replace the need to shower as soon as possible!**

