

ADVANCED SHORING OPERATIONS

This 8 hour all hands-on course will take the participant through different scenarios that require them to take the knowledge gained from their previous SCT classes when it comes to shoring basics and apply that knowledge into real world shoring. We will break down the textbook engineered shoring systems and then use these principles to build the shore needed to properly capture, transfer, and distribute the weight within the allowable workspace. We will cover proper splicing and how to fabricate the needed dimensional material out of smaller dimensional lumber when supplies are running low.

Paratech will be on site to allow participants the opportunity to refresh their skill set when working with pneumatics and to work with the latest products that Paratech has to offer.

INSTRUCTORS

Scott Kleinschmidt, Wichita Fire Department



Scott Kleinschmidt is a 23-year veteran with the City of Wichita Fire Department currently assigned to the Special Operations Division as the Captain of the city's Rescue Company. Previously serving several years as a Lieutenant on a busy Truck company and prior to that as a Firefighter with the Rescue Co. He is a Rescue Technician/Manager with KS-TF5 regional US&R team and has served on the city/county TRT for the last 20 years. He is a department instructor/coordinator in Truck Company and Rescue Company operations and is an adjunct instructor to the department's training division, providing recruit instruction and hands-on training to suppression companies throughout the city. He provides lecture and hands on training in Truck Company, Rescue Company, Understaffed Fireground Operations, and Collapse Rescue Operations at the local, state, and national level. Scott is a FDIC presenter/lead HOT instructor and contributing author to Fire Engineering magazine.

Scott VanPatten, El Dorado Fire Department/Butler County Rescue



Scott VanPatten entered the fire service in 1990 and has worked for 9 departments in 4 states. He currently volunteers for the City of El Dorado Fire Department, Butler County Rescue, and teaches technical rescue for Butler Community College. He received degrees from Oklahoma State and Erie Community College, and recently completed the US&R Rescue Specialist program from Texas A&M. Scott holds numerous Technician level certifications and was also awarded the William C. Brubaker Memorial Award in 2017. He enjoys spending his free time with his family.

Tom Gavin, Paratech



Tom Gavin entered the fire service in 1971 at the age of nineteen when he joined the Deal Fire Department, No. 2 in New Jersey. He has remained active with the department for forty-eight years where he served as Chief in 1981 & 1992. Tom has been the department's training officer for over twenty years. He also taught part time at the Monmouth County Fire Academy for more than twenty years, specializing in technical rescue. Tom worked as a Manufacturer's Representative starting in 1994 selling rescue equipment in the Northeast USA. He began his association with Paratech in 1995 as a regional sales representative. "Besides representing Paratech in the USA, I was fortunate enough to travel to Europe, Asia and the Middle East and work with rescue specialists there". In 2014 Tom closed his Manufacturer's Rep business and accepted the National Sales Managers position with Paratech. *"The best part of my job is that I get to associate with and learn from some of the greatest people and best technical rescue experts in the world"*.