



What Does Explorer Post 50 Do?

Explorer Post 50 Explorers learn nearly all aspects of basic fire fighting. These include such topics as fire suppression, salvage and overhaul, SCBA, aerial operations, ground ladders, first aid, public relations, etc. Explorers are issued a complete set of turnout gear, which will consist of, helmet with face shield, turnout coat and pants, gloves, and boots for safety. We have training sessions about every other week 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM.

Post 50 members also assist with various La Crosse Fire Departments activities, such as public education and different service projects.

Once proper training has been completed, the Explorer will be allowed to ride along with department vehicles and perform functions such as SCBA bottle replacements, rehab assistance, apparatus restocking, and other various duties as needed. While their assistance is an asset on the scene, their primary purpose for going to these calls is to learn first hand the fire ground operations and fire cause investigation. They do not perform actual fire fighting activities.

Note: All Explorers involved with the Ride Along Program must have signed approval papers on file.