



Rail Workers Hazardous Materials Training Program



Rail Hazmat Chemical/Emergency Response Training Programs

The Rail Workers Hazardous Materials Training Program is funded by a federal grant from the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) to provide hazmat training to rail workers. This five-day hazmat training course will provide rail workers the essential knowledge, skills, and response actions in the case of an unintentional release. These tools will allow rail workers to protect themselves, their co-workers, and their communities.

This training addresses OSHA and DOT required training in addition to procedures, different levels of response and worker protection in a hazardous materials emergency or release, weapons of mass destruction awareness and the incident command system. The training also provides completion of the OSHA 10-Hour General Industry Outreach requirements. The programs are delivered using interactive classroom instruction, small group activities, hands-on drills, and a simulated hazmat response in full safety gear.



The funding provides the following student expenses: travel, lodging and meals. In addition, an incentive of \$175.00 per day is available to all training participants of these programs, except those who are able to secure regular pay through their employer or are paid union officers. Training will be conducted at the Houston Fire Academy's Val Jahnke Training Facility, 8030 Braniff Street, Houston, TX 77061. To meet this training need, the Rail Program will conduct the following classes:

Sunday 5:30 p.m. Orientation, Friday departure

October 4-9, 2026

January 10-15, 2027

February 21-26, 2027

March 14-19, 2027



- Register now at the Moodle Learning Platform: www.teamstersafety.org/moodle
- Contact Rail Workers Hazmat Training Program (202) 624-6963 (M-F, 9:00am – 5:00pm EST)

