

NECS Training Local Information Guide



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Connecticut Tourist Information

This State of CT Department of Tourism website has information on accommodations, restaurants, calendar of events, maps, entertainment and sightseeing. Connecticut information source: [Visit Connecticut](#) and [State of CT Interactive Map](#).

Airports

Tweed New Haven Regional Airport

155 Burr Street New Haven, CT 06512. Serviced by Avelo Airlines and Breeze Airways and located 20 minutes from NECS offices. <http://www.flytweed.com>

Bradley International Airport

Schoephoester Road Windsor Locks, CT 06096. Serviced by most airlines and located 55 minutes from NECS offices, North of Hartford. <http://www.bradleyairport.com>

Local Logistics

If you are flying to Connecticut, it is best to rent a car to get around or utilize Lyft and Uber. The town of Branford, where our new offices are located, is a suburb of New Haven and mass transit is minimal and infrequent. Taxi service is available in New Haven but is very minimal within Branford and unavailable in the suburbs.

Accommodations

Holiday Inn Express This is a great place to stay just down the street from the new NECS offices.

Address: 309 East Main St, Branford, CT 06405 Phone: (203) 488-4035

- A 13-minute drive from Tweed New Haven Regional Airport, this standard hotel off I-95.
- The modern rooms come with flat-screen TVs and desks, plus premium cable channels, mini fridges and coffee makers.
- Free Wi-Fi in every room, as well as a choice of hard and soft pillows.
- Suites add separate living spaces with pull-out sofas.
- Amenities include a free breakfast bar, heated indoor pool, whirlpool and fitness center, as well as free parking.

Omni New Haven Hotel at Yale

Address: 155 Temple St, New Haven, CT 06510 | Phone: (203) 772-6664

The Study at Yale Hotel

Address: 1157 Chapel St, New Haven, CT 06511 | Phone: (203) 503-3900

Red Roof Inn & Suites Guilford

Address: 2300 Boston Post Rd, Guilford, CT 06437 | Phone: (203) 651-7162

Tower Inn & Suites

Address: 320 Boston Post Rd, Guilford, CT 06437 | Phone: (203) 453-9069

Madison Beach Hotel, Curio Collection by Hilton

Address: 94 West Wharf Rd, Madison, CT 06443 | Phone: (203) 245-1404

New Haven Shoreline Area Sights & Information

Branford – The town where you will attend training in the new NECS offices. Branford's Center is home to several shops, restaurants and coffee houses that line the Main Street along with the Town Green being at the center. Those who visit Branford can take in a cruise (or private charter) to our majestic archipelago of islands called the Thimble Islands (seal watching cruises are also available in the spring.) There are over fifteen town maintained parks and two beaches, hiking trails, lakes, ponds and a path to the Shoreline Greenway Trail. Branford enjoys over 20 miles of coastline with more than a dozen marinas. For a beautiful drive from the town green follow scenic **Route 146** to Stony Creek, winding around the harbor to the Thimble Islands.

- **Hammonasset Beach State Park** in Madison has three distinct beach areas and a nature preserve. Take a splash in the Atlantic Ocean, on Long Island Sound, at Connecticut's longest shoreline beach.

Casino Information

- **Foxwoods Resort Casino** Mashantucket, CT

Directions: Take I-95 North to Exit 92 in Connecticut. Turn left onto Route 2 West for eight miles. Take the Foxwoods Blvd exit.

- **Mohegan Sun** Uncasville, CT

Directions: Follow I-95 East/North the stay Left onto I-395 N take exit 9 and follow Route 2A and Route 2.

Nearby Shopping Outlets

- **Clinton Crossing Premium Outlets** Directions: I-95 north to exit 63 then take 2 lefts onto Rt. 81.
- **Westbrook Outlets** Directions: I-95 north to exit 65 turn left at Flat Rock Place.

Nearby Movie Theaters

- **Madison Art Cinemas** 761 Boston Post Rd, Madison, CT | 203-245-3456
- **Westbrook Cinemas** 314 Flat Rock Pl, Westbrook, CT | 860-661-5136

Restaurants by Town

BRANFORD

- **1928 Cocktail Club** 1018 Main St, Branford, CT | 203-530-1600 *A contemporary cocktail bar inspired 1920s-era speakeasy*
- **Ashley's Ice Cream** (a great local product) 1016 Main St, Branford, CT | 203-481-5558
- **Café Fiore** 420 E Main St, Branford, CT | 203-208-4690
- **Darbar India** 168 Montowese St, Branford, CT | 203-481-8994
- **Dockside Seafood & Grill** (seafood) 145 Block Island Rd, Branford, CT | 203-488-3007
- **Drea's by Goodfellas** 2 E Main St, Branford, CT | 203-208-4075
- **Eli's on the Hill** (sports bar/restaurant) 624 West Main St, Branford | 203-488-2700
- **GW Carsons** 308 E Main St, Branford, CT | 203-208-1469
- **Home Restaurant** (American) 1114 Main St, Branford, CT | 203-483-5896 *#1 in Branford on TripAdvisor!*
- **Lenny's Indian Head Inn** (Seafood) 205 S. Montowese St, Branford, CT | 203-488-1500
- **Little Pub** 120 North Main St, Branford, CT | 203-208-4289
- **Lockworks Tavern** 1212 Main St, Branford, CT | 860-331-8861
- **Marco Pizzeria** 313 East Main St, Branford, CT | 203-483-1544

- **Nellie's** 50 Maple St, Branford, CT 06405 | 203-208-0013 *Offers vegetarian and vegan dishes, Marina views set the nautical scene at this seafood eatery & bar with a patio on Branford River.*
- **Parthenon Diner** (Greek diner) 374 E. Main St, Branford, CT | 203-481-0333
- **Pasta Cosi** 1018 Main St, Branford, CT 06405 | 203-483-9397 *Northern Italian cuisine.*
- **Pearl Bistro & Wine Bar** 1140 Main St, Branford, CT | 203-208-1385
- **Rossitto's Ristorante** 284 E Main St, Branford, CT | 203-483-7773

GUILFORD

- **Bufalina** 1070 Boston Post Rd, Guilford, CT | 203-458-1377 *Gourmet wood-fired pizza.*
- **Char & Lemon** 2 Water St, Guilford, CT | 203-533-7074
- **Guilford Bistro & Grille Cafe** 1016 Boston Post Rd, Guilford | 203-453-0736 *Italian, seafood & pizza.*
- **iThai Restaurant** 1200 Boston Post Rd, Guilford, CT | 203-533-5060. *Great fresh Thai food.*
- **Pa's Place** 514 Whitfield St, Guilford, CT | 203-689-5526
- **Prime on Whitfield** 65 Whitfield St, Guilford, CT | 203-646-6800
- **Quattro's Italian Cuisine** 14 Water St, Guilford, CT | 203-453-6575
- **Som Siam Thai Restaurant** 63 Whitfield St, Guilford, CT | 203-458-0228
- **South Lane Bistro** 63 Whitfield St, Guilford, CT | 203-533-5845

MADISON

- **Bar Bouchée** 8 Scotland Ave, Madison, CT | 203-318-8004
French bistro serving classic Gallic dishes in a dining room with a Parisian accent.
- **Cafe Allegre** 725 Boston Post Rd (Wall St), Madison, CT | 203-245-7773
- **Christy's Madison** 73 W. Wharf Rd (Rte. 1), Madison, CT | 203-245-7377 *Burgers, sandwiches, salads, seafood, and soups.*
- **Donahue's Madison Beach Grille** 1320 Boston Post Rd (Rte. 1), Madison, CT | 203-318-8362 *Lively Irish pub serving bar food & hosting live music in digs with a fireplace.*
- **Fat Duck Tavern** 44 Boston Post Rd (Rte. 1), Madison, CT | 475-522-6097
- **Friends & Company** 11 Boston Post Rd (Rte. 1), Madison, CT | 203-245-0462
Casual, long-running riverside spot serving health-conscious contemporary American fare & martinis.
- **Lenny & Joe's Fish Tale** 1301 Boston Post Rd (Rte. 1), Madison, CT | 203-245-7289
Basic seafood shack for fried fish & BYOB beer or wine, plus outdoor seating & a carousel.
- **Madison Prime Steakhouse** 251 Boston Post Rd (Ste. 1), Madison, CT | 203-245-6100

CLINTON

- **Westbrook Lobster** 346 E. Main St, (Bluff Ave.) Clinton, CT | 860-664-9464
- **Chips Pub III** 24 W Main St, Clinton, CT 860-669-3463. *Their 10-oz. burgers head a bulky menu of hearty treats such as BBQ ribs, fish & chips in a strip-mall watering hole.*

NEW HAVEN FAMOUS PIZZA & MORE

- **Cast Iron Chef Chop House & Oyster Bar** 660 State St, New Haven, CT | 203-745-4669
- **Claire's Corner Copia** (Kosher & Vegetarian) 1000 Chapel St, New Haven, CT | 203-562-3888
- **De Legna at Nolo** 687 State St, New Haven, CT | 203-891-7704
- **Frank Pepe Pizzeria** 157 Wooster St, New Haven, CT | 203-865-5762
- **Modern Apizza** 874 State St, New Haven, CT | 203-776-5306
- **Union League Café** (French) 1032 Chapel St, New Haven, CT | 203-562-4299

You can find Spanish, Cuban, Malaysian, Indian, Vegetarian, Italian, Tapas, American, French, Kosher, Thai, Sushi, Macrobiotic and more.

For More Local Restaurant Information

<http://www.tripadvisor.com/> or download the **TripAdvisor** app to your smart phone.