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## Course: IS 245 - Introduction to the Defense Priorities and Allocations System

**Date:** Course is now available online.

### Course Description:

This course introduces the Defense Priorities and Allocations System (DPAS), a regulation to help ensure the priority performance of contracts and orders for the timely delivery of critical materials and services to meet program requirements. The course describes how the DPAS supports the FEMA mission.

### Course Goal:

Upon completing this course, the participant will be able to describe:

1. How DPAS supports timely procurement of materials and services.
2. How program officials use DPAS.
3. Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and contractor responsibilities under DPAS.
4. Procedures for placing priority-rated contracts and orders ("rated orders").
5. Limitations on use of rated orders.
6. Procedures for resolving DPAS issues.

### Target Audience:

All FEMA personnel responsible for management and oversight of FEMA emergency management programs, including:

- FEMA program officials responsible for directing the use of DPAS priority ratings, and
- DPAS Officers appointed to advise and assist a FEMA program official in DPAS administration.

In addition, anyone interested in learning more about DPAS, such as Contracting Officers/Specialists, may complete this course.

**Prerequisite:** None

**Course Length:** 30 minutes

### Continuing Education Units:

EMI does not award CEUs for completion of this course.

**Location:** Online.

**Additional Resources:** The Defense Production Act Program Division/ FEMA.

<http://www.fema.gov/about/programs/dpa>

### To Apply:

This course is available at

<http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/IS245.asp>.

When you have completed the course, you may take the online test, fill out the student information and submit the test for scoring. FEMA's Emergency Management Institute's Independent Study (IS) office will notify you via email of the results. If you successfully complete the test, a link will be included in the email for you to access and print your course certificate.

You may contact the IS office via email

[Independent.Study@dhs.gov](mailto:Independent.Study@dhs.gov) or contact the call center at (301) 447-1200 or toll free at 1-800-238-3358, extension 1200. IS office hours are **7:30am -7:30pm (ET)**.

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