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# Unit 1: Introductions and Course Overview

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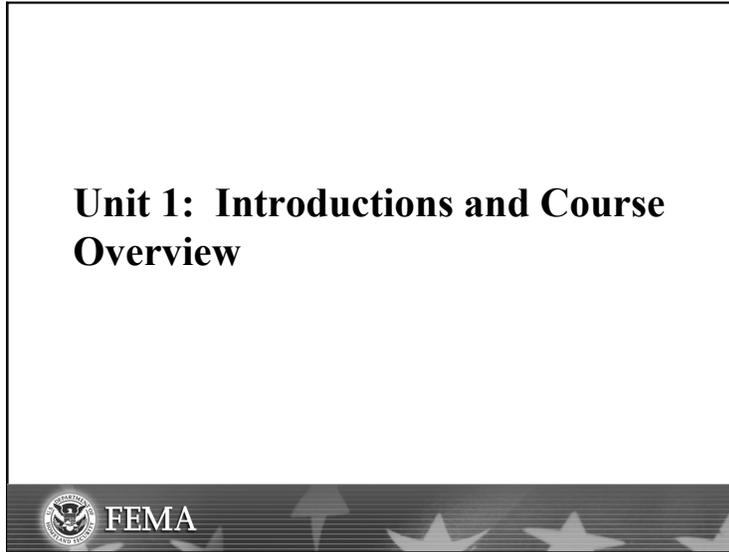
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**Visual Description:** Course Welcome

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### Key Points

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This course will review the concepts and principles of resource management, preparedness measures, resource management during incidents (including Incidents of National Significance), and post-incident activities.



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### Administrative Information

- Hours
- Evacuation routes and fire exits
- Restroom locations
- Smoking policy
- Breaks and lunch
- Cell phones and pagers



**Visual Description:** Administrative Information

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### Key Points

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Your instructor will discuss the following administrative information:

- The hours during which the class will convene
- The evacuation route and fire exits
- Restroom locations
- Smoking policy
- Breaks and lunch
- Cell phone and pager policy (should be placed on “vibrate” for the duration of the class)



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## Introductions

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- **Instructors**
- **Students**
  - **Name and organization**
  - **Experience with emergency or incident response, including resource management**
  - **One special issue that you would like to be able to resolve**



**Visual Description:** Introductions

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### Key Points

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Your instructors will introduce themselves by providing information about their experience with emergency or incident response, including resource management.

You will be asked to introduce yourself by providing the following information to the class:

- Your name and organization.
- A brief statement of your experience with emergency or incident response, including resource management.
- One special issue about resource management that you would like to be able to resolve by taking this course.



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### Unit 1 Objectives

- Describe the purpose of Homeland Security Presidential Directives (HSPDs) 5 and 8.
- Explain the purpose of the National Response Plan (NRP) and the National Incident Management System (NIMS).
- List the six major components of NIMS.
- Define resource management according to NIMS.
- List the four primary resource management tasks.



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**Visual Description:** Unit 1 Objectives

### Key Points

At the end of this unit, you should be able to:

- Describe the purpose of Homeland Security Presidential Directive 5 and Homeland Security Presidential Directive 8.
- Explain the purpose of the National Response Plan (NRP) and the National Incident Management System (NIMS).
- List the six major components of NIMS.
- Define resource management according to NIMS.
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### Course Overview

- **Unit 2: Concepts and Principles of Resource Management**
- **Unit 3: Getting Ready**
- **Unit 4: Resource Management During the Incident**
- **Unit 5: The Complex Incident**
- **Unit 6: Reassessing Your Readiness: Post-Incident Activities**
- **Unit 6a: Tabletop Exercise**
- **Unit 7: Course Summary and Final Exam**



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**Visual Description:** Course Overview

### Key Points

This course will focus on the critical aspects of resource management.

- Unit 2 will provide an overview of the concepts and principles of resource management.
- Unit 3 will describe resource management planning and preparedness.
- Unit 4 will cover resource management during full-scale disaster response.
- Unit 5 will describe resource management issues that accompany an Incident of National Significance.
- Unit 6 will cover the activities that need to take place following a deployment.
- Unit 6a will provide you with an opportunity to apply what you have learned in a tabletop exercise.
- Unit 7 will summarize the course and include a final exam.



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### Course Objectives

- Describe resource management concepts and principles.
- Explain how using hazard analysis information helps resource managers prepare.
- Relate how all resource management phases function during an incident.
- List issues accompanying an Incident of National Significance.
- Describe post-incident activities.



**Visual Description:** Course Objectives

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### Key Points

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By the end of this course, you should be able to:

- Describe the concepts and principles that are the foundation of NIMS resource management.
- Explain how using hazard analysis information can help resource managers prepare for an incident.
- Relate how all of the phases of the resource management system function during an incident.
- List the resource management issues that accompany an Incident of National Significance.
- Describe the resource management activities that need to take place following a deployment.



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### Homeland Security Presidential Directives

- HSPD-5 identifies steps for improved coordination in response to incidents. It requires DHS to establish the NRP and NIMS.
- HSPD-8 describes the way Federal departments and agencies will prepare. It requires DHS to develop a National Preparedness Goal.



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**Visual Description:** Homeland Security Presidential Directives

### Key Points

In response to the attacks of September 11, 2001, President Bush issued the following Homeland Security Presidential Directives (HSPDs):

- HSPD-5: Identifies steps for improved coordination in response to incidents. It requires the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to coordinate with other Federal departments and agencies and State, local, and tribal governments to establish a National Response Plan (NRP) and a National Incident Management System (NIMS).
- HPSD-8: Describes the way Federal departments and agencies will prepare. It requires DHS to coordinate with other Federal departments and agencies and State, local, and tribal governments to develop a National Preparedness Goal.



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## The NRP and NIMS

- The NRP is an all-discipline, all-hazards plan for the management of domestic incidents.
- NIMS provides a consistent framework for incident management at all jurisdictional levels regardless of the cause, size, or complexity of the incident.
- NIMS requires that ICS be institutionalized.



**Visual Description:** The NRP and NIMS

## Key Points

- The NRP is an all-discipline, all-hazards plan for the management of domestic incidents. Using the template established by the NIMS, the NRP provides the structure and mechanisms to coordinate and integrate incident management activities and emergency support functions across Federal, State, local, and Tribal government entities, the private sector, and nongovernmental organizations.
- NIMS provides a consistent framework for incident management at all jurisdictional levels, regardless of the cause, size, or complexity of the incident. Building upon the Incident Command System (ICS), the NIMS provides the Nation's first responders and Federal, State, and local authorities with the same foundation for incident management for terrorist attacks, natural disasters, and other emergencies.

Remember that NIMS requires that ICS be institutionalized.



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## NIMS Components

- Command and Management
- Preparedness
- Resource Management
- Communications and Information Management
- Supporting Technologies
- Ongoing Management and Maintenance



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**Visual Description:** NIMS Components

## Key Points

NIMS integrates existing best practices into a consistent, nationwide approach to domestic incident management. Six major components make up the NIMS systems approach:

- Command and Management
- Preparedness
- Resource Management
- Communications and Information Management
- Supporting Technologies
- Ongoing Management and Maintenance



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### **NIMS Definition of Resource Management**

Coordinating and overseeing the application of tools, processes, and systems that provide incident managers with timely and appropriate resources during an incident. Resources include:

- Personnel.
- Teams.
- Facilities.
- Equipment.
- Supplies.



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**Visual Description:** NIMS Definition of Resource Management

### **Key Points**

As defined in NIMS, resource management involves coordinating and overseeing the application of tools, processes, and systems that provide incident managers with timely and appropriate resources during an incident.

Resources include:

- Personnel.
- Teams.
- Facilities.
- Equipment.
- Supplies.



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### Primary Resource Management Tasks

1. Establishing systems to describe, inventory, request, and track resources
2. Activating these systems before and during an incident
3. Dispatching resources before and during an incident
4. Deactivating or recalling resources during or after an incident



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**Visual Description:** Primary Resource Management Tasks

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### Key Points

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According to NIMS, resource management involves the following four primary tasks:

Task 1: Establishing systems to describe, inventory, request, and track resources.

Task 2: Activating these systems before and during an incident.

Task 3: Dispatching resources before and during an incident.

Task 4: Deactivating or recalling resources during or after an incident.



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### Summary and Transition

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- HSPD-5 and HSPD-8
- NRP and NIMS
- Six major components of NIMS
- NIMS definition of resource management
- Four primary resource management tasks



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### Key Points

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This unit covered:

- HSPD-5 and HSPD-8.
- The NRP and NIMS.
- The six major components of NIMS.
- The NIMS definition of resource management.
- The four primary resource management tasks.

Unit 2 will describe the concepts and principles of resource management.