**FEMA Student Identification (SID) Number**

**What is the Purpose of a SID?** A FEMA Student Identification (SID) number is a unique number generated and assigned to anyone who needs to, or is required to, take Independent Study training at [https://training.fema.gov/is/](https://training.fema.gov/is/). Your FEMA SID uniquely identifies you in the Independent Study Database System. Your FEMA SID number serves as your personal identification number instead of your Social Security Number (SSN) in support of FEMA’s effort to cease the use of SSN for identifying and tracking individuals.

**How can I get a SID number?** You can register for a SID number at [https://cdp.dhs.gov/femasid](https://cdp.dhs.gov/femasid), or you can check to see if you have a FEMA SID by inputting your information on the Retrieve SID page ([https://cdp.dhs.gov/femasid/account/find](https://cdp.dhs.gov/femasid/account/find)). If you already have a FEMA SID, your FEMA SID will be emailed to you. If you attempt to register and already have an account, you will receive a message that you are already registered.

**Can I link multiple email accounts to my SID numbers?** A unique email address is required for registration. Duplicate or multiple email addresses are prohibited in order to reduce the risk of another individual purposely or accidentally accessing your FEMA student ID account. When you sign into an Independent Study final exam, you will use your FEMA SID and Last Name. The Independent Study website does not require your password.

**What is the impact if I share a SID number with another person?** Independent Study course completions are emailed to the assigned individual, and the email address used is pulled from your FEMA SID account. Sharing your FEMA SID information with another student, not only gives them access to your personal information, but may also cause discrepancies with your training record or permanent loss of course completion data.

**Why is it important to secure my SID number?** Safeguarding of your FEMA SID number, as well as your password, will ensure protection of your personally identifiable information, as well as to ensure accurate record keeping of your Independent Study course completions. Your FEMA SID number is used to: identify you as the assigned student, issue completion documentation, and to award college credit; should you elect this option.

Who can I contact if I have additional questions or need help with my SID account? For assistance with your SID account, you may contact the SID Help Desk at femasidhelp@cdpemail.dhs.gov or call 866-291-0696. The SID Help Desk is available Monday through Friday from 7:30 AM to 4:30 PM CST.