

Unit 1: Course Overview

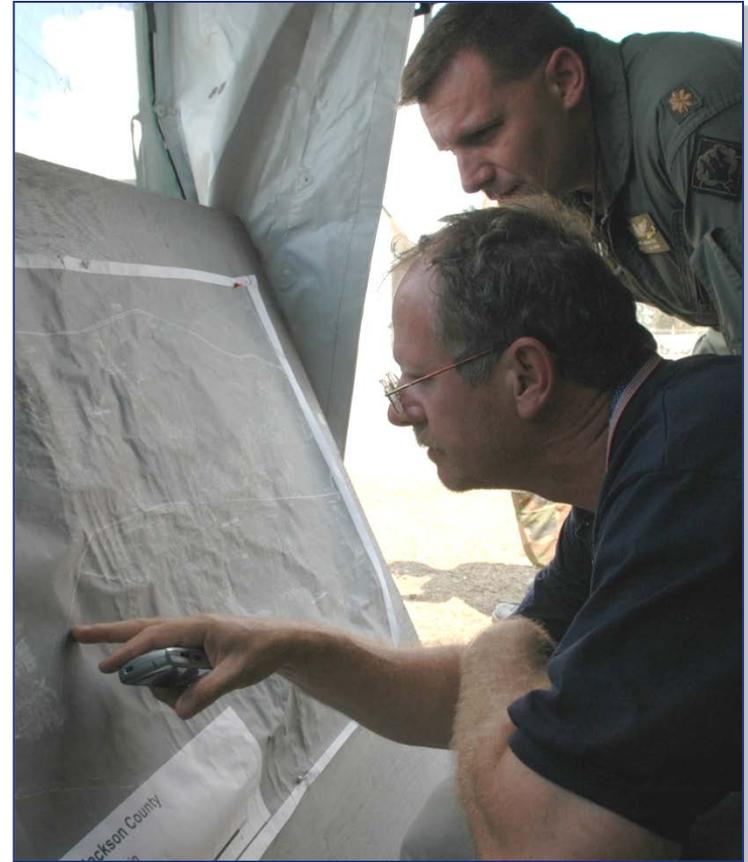


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Course Objectives

- Describe the Incident Command System (ICS) organization appropriate to the complexity of the incident or event.
- Use ICS to manage an incident or event.



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Student Introductions



Please provide your:

- **Name, job title, and organization.**
- **Overall experience with emergency or incident response.**
- **ICS qualifications and most recent ICS experience.**



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Expectations

What do you expect to gain from this course?



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Instructor Expectations

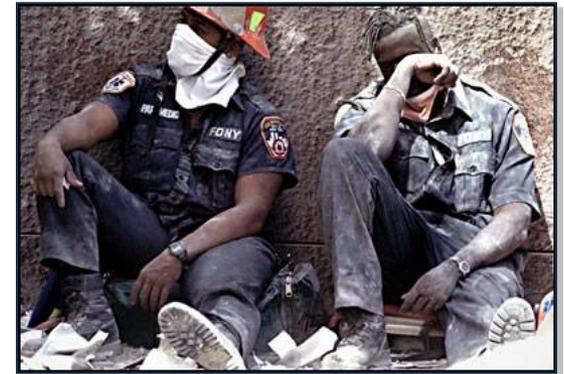
- **Cooperate with the group.**
- **Be open to new ideas.**
- **Participate actively in all of the training activities and exercises.**
- **Return to class at the stated time.**
- **Use what you learn in the course to perform effectively within an ICS organization.**



What Is ICS?

ICS:

- Is a standardized, on-scene, all-hazard incident management concept.
- Enables a coordinated response among various jurisdictions and agencies.
- Established common processes for planning and management of resources.
- Allows for integration within a common organizational structure.



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When Is ICS Used?

ICS can be used to manage:

- Natural hazards.
- Technological hazards.
- Human-caused hazards.
- Planned events.

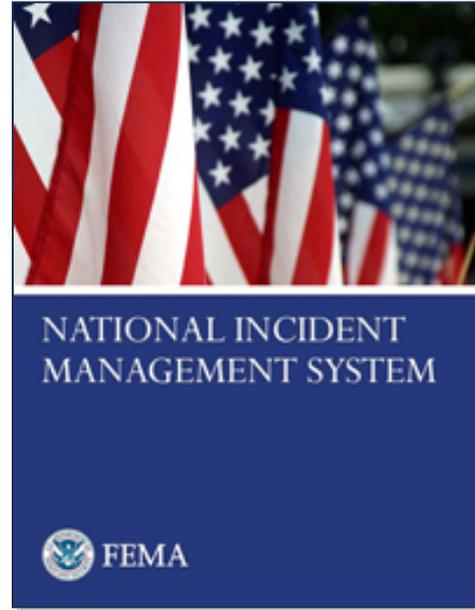


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Why Use ICS?



1. It Works!

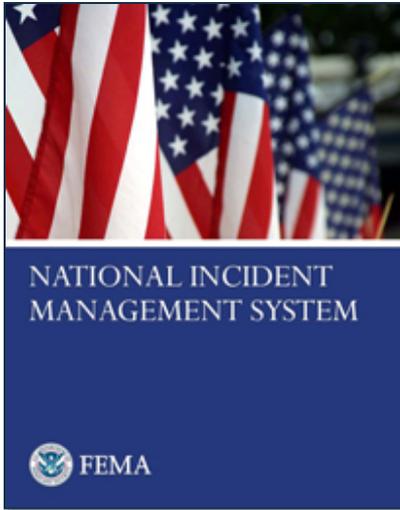


2. Mandates



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National Incident Management System (NIMS)



What ? . . . NIMS provides a consistent nationwide template . . .

Who? . . . to enable Federal, State, tribal, and local governments, the private sector, and nongovernmental organizations to work together . . .

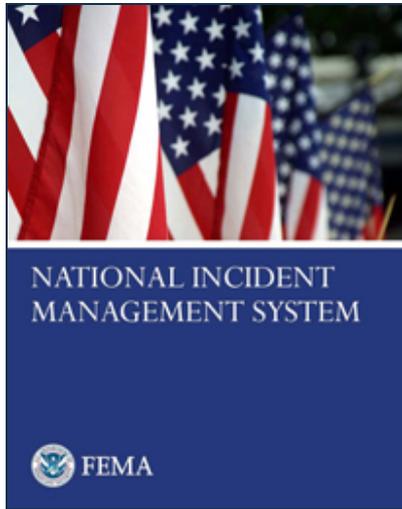
How? . . . to prepare for, prevent, respond to, recover from, and mitigate the effects of incidents regardless of cause, size, location, or complexity . . .

Why? . . . in order to reduce the loss of life and property, and harm to the environment.



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NIMS Components



Preparedness

**Communications and
Information Management**

Resource Management

Command and Management

**Ongoing Management and
Maintenance**

**Incident
Command
System**

**Multiagency
Coordination
Systems**

**Public
Information**

Additional Information: www.fema.gov/emergency/nims



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Activity: ICS Features Review

Instructions:

- This course builds on what you learned in ICS-100 about ICS features. Let's see how much you remember!
- Your team will have 3 minutes to try to list as many ICS features as you can remember. Hint: There are 14 features.
- Select a spokesperson and recorder.
- Start writing when your instructor says "go."
- Stop when the instructor calls time.



ICS Features: Review

- **Standardization**
 - Common terminology
- **Command**
 - Establishment and transfer of command
 - Chain of command and unity of command
 - Unified command
- **Planning/Organizational Structure**
 - Management by objectives
 - Incident Action Plan (IAP)
 - Modular organization
 - Manageable span of control
- **Facilities and Resources**
 - Comprehensive resource management
 - Incident locations and facilities
- **Communications/Information Management**
 - Integrated communications
 - Information and intelligence management
- **Professionalism**
 - Accountability
 - Dispatch/Deployment



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Course Structure

**Unit 1:
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**Unit 2:
Leadership
& Management**

**Unit 3:
Delegation of Authority &
Management by Objectives**

**Unit 4:
Functional Areas
& Positions**

**Unit 5:
Briefings**

**Unit 6:
Organizational
Flexibility**

**Unit 7:
Transfer of
Command**

**Unit 8:
Course
Summary**



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Course Logistics

- **Course agenda**
- **Sign-in sheet**
- **Housekeeping:**
 - **Breaks**
 - **Message and telephone location**
 - **Cell phone policy**
 - **Facilities**
 - **Other concerns**

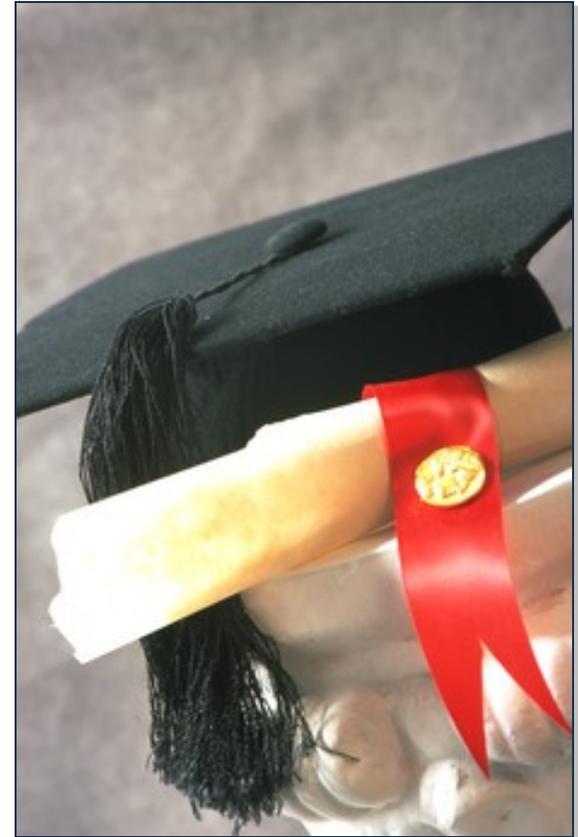


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Successful Course Completion

- **Participate in unit activities/exercises**
- **Achieve 75% or higher on the final exam**
- **Complete the end-of-course evaluation**



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