

Incident Command

Course Sponsor:

Manitoba Emergency Services College- Management Program

Target Audience:

Any individual who may be called upon to serve as an emergency site incident commander during a major multi-agency community emergency.

Participant Restrictions:

Participant must be an active member of an emergency services department, or with a municipal council and have the responsibility for the area of incident management.

Course Description:

Duration – 36 hours

This course provides an overview of incident command through all phases from pre-planning to post-incident debriefing. Incident size-up, planning, communications, command post operation and other key elements of running an emergency incident will be covered.

Actual situations will be discussed with individuals who were involved at some level with a major incident. Many of the requirements of NFPA 472 Incident Commander will be covered.

Course Objectives:

Topics include:

- Understand and describe the need for an Incident Management System to deal with emergency incidents;
- Understand and describe how municipal and provincial legislation affect incident management systems;
- Understand how recognized standards may have an effect on requirements for incident management systems;

- Understand and describe the necessary elements and components of an effective incident management system;
- Understand and describe a unified command system;
- Describe the involvement and responsibilities of at least 3 responding emergency services agencies to emergency incidents;
- Understand and describe the Incident Command System;
- Understand and describe the 5 main functional areas of the incident command system;
- Understand and explain the difference between emergency incident, disaster and crisis;
- Understand and describe the roles of 3 command staff functions;
- Understand and describe the importance of pre-incident planning, size-up and incident action planning as it applies to an emergency incident;
- Given an emergency incident complete a size-up, develop incident action plans and develop an incident command structure to mitigate the incident from response to demobilization;
- Understand the importance of and describe how to develop General Operating Guidelines;
- Develop General Operating Guidelines for implementing an Incident Command System within your department;
- Understand and describe what role the media plays at emergency incidents and how to work with the media;
- Understand and describe command considerations regarding multi-casualty situations at emergency incidents;
- Understand and describe command considerations regarding emergency incidents involving hazardous materials; and,
- Understand and describe command considerations regarding Critical Incident Stress Management at an emergency incident.

Type of Instruction:

Theory will be supplemented with incident case studies.

Class Size:

Minimum 12, Maximum 20

Course Location:

Manitoba Emergency Services College

Course Availability:

Please refer to the Manitoba Emergency Services College training calendar, available through the Office of the Fire Commissioner (toll-free 1-888-253-1488) and online at

http://www.firecomm.gov.mb.ca/mesc_calendar.html

Cost:

The cost of this course is \$325.00 (cheque payable to the Minister of Finance)

Point of Contact:

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Application Form:

<http://www.firecomm.gov.mb.ca/graphics/ApplicationForm.pdf>

Additional Comments:

Certification: Candidates will be issued a certificate upon successful completion of a written exam.