ICS 100: An Introduction to the Incident Command System (2019)

Course Plan

Course Details

Description:	ICS 100, Introduction to the Incident Command System, introduces the Incident Command System (ICS) and provides the foundation for higher level ICS training. This course describes the history, features and principles, and organizational structure of the Incident Command System. It also explains the relationship between ICS and the National Incident Management System (NIMS).
Designed For:	The intended audience(s) are personnel involved with emergency planning, response, or recovery efforts. This includes fire, law enforcement, and emergency medical personnel as well as a large variety of disciplines including the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), federal workers, healthcare workers, higher education, law enforcement, public works, and schools..
Authority:	Federal Emergency Management Agency - Emergency Management Institute
Prerequisites:	None
Standard:	N/A
Hours:	7.0 hours
Maximum Class Size:	40
Instructor Level:	Primary instructor
Instructor/Student Ratio:	1:40 (Note: FEMA recommends at least two instructors)
Restrictions:	None.
SFT Designation:	FSTEP
Note:	For FEMA issued course completion diplomas, the course must be registered through California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES).

Required Resources

Instructor Resources

The following instructor resources are required:
- Instructor Guide
- Electronic files of all Unit Visual presentations

Student Resources

To participate in this course, students need:
- Student Manual

Facilities, Equipment, and Personnel

The following facilities, equipment, or personnel are required to deliver this course:

Facilities

- Standard classroom equipped for 40 students
- Whiteboards or easel pads with appropriate writing implements
- Projector/TV with appropriate laptop connections
- Wifi/Internet access

Time Table

Segment			Unit Total
Unit 1: Course Welcome and ICS Overview			1:00
Unit 2: NIMS Management Characteristics			1:30
Unit 3: ICS Functional Areas and Command Staff Roles			1:00
Unit 4: General Staff Roles			1:20
Unit 5: How ICS Applies to You			2:00
Course Totals			**6:50**

Time Table Key

1. The Time Table documents the amount of time required to deliver the content included in the course plan.

2. The Course Totals do not reflect time for lunch (1 hour) or breaks (10 minutes per each 50 minutes of instruction or assessment).

3. Application (activities, skills exercises, and formative testing) time will vary depending on the number of students enrolled and the acquired structure selected for training. The Application time documented is based on the maximum class size identified in the Course Details section.

4. Summative Assessments are determined and scheduled by the authority having jurisdiction. These are not the written or psychomotor State Fire Training certification exams. These are in-class assessments to evaluate student progress and calculate course grades.

Objectives

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1. Explain the principles and basic structure of the Incident Command System (ICS).
2. Describe the NIMS management characteristics that are the foundation of the ICS.
3. Describe the ICS functional areas and the roles of the Incident Commander and Command Staff.
4. Describe the General Staff roles within ICS.
5. Identify how NIMS management characteristics apply to ICS for a variety of roles and discipline areas.