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IS-700.B: An Introduction to the National Incident Management System

Course Date

6/25/2018

Course Overview

This course provides an overview of the National Incident Management System (NIMS). The National Incident Management System defines the comprehensive approach guiding the whole community - all levels of government, nongovernmental organizations (NGO), and the private sector - to work together seamlessly to prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to, and recover from the effects of incidents. The course provides learners with a basic understanding of NIMS concepts, principles, and components.

Course Objectives:

At the end of this course, students will be able to:

- Describe and identify the key concepts, principles, scope, and applicability underlying NIMS.
- Describe activities and methods for managing resources.
- Describe the NIMS Management Characteristics.
- Identify and describe Incident Command System (ICS) organizational structures.
- Explain Emergency Operations Center (EOC) functions, common models for staff organization, and activation levels.
- Explain the interconnectivity within the NIMS Management and Coordination structures: ICS, EOC, Joint Information System (JIS), and Multiagency Coordination Groups (MAC Groups).
- Identify and describe the characteristics of communications and information systems, effective communication, incident information, and communication standards and formats.

Primary Audience

The course is intended for a wide audience of personnel which includes government executives, private-sector and nongovernmental organization (NGO) leaders, and emergency management practitioners, senior elected and appointed leaders, such as Federal department or agency heads, State Governors, mayors, tribal leaders, and city or county officials and other individuals with emergency management responsibilities including prevention, protection, response, recovery and mitigation.

Prerequisites

none

CEUs:

0.4

Course Length:

3.5 hours

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