

FFY 2010 Ohio NIMS Implementation Fact Sheet

What is the National Incident Management System?

- Comprehensive, nationwide systematic approach to incident management
- Core set of doctrine, concepts, principles, terminology and organizational processes for all hazards
- Essential principles for a common operating picture and interoperability of communications and information management
- Standardized resource management procedures for coordination among different jurisdictions and organizations
- Scalable and applicable for all incidents
- The NIMS Document can be viewed or downloaded at <http://www.fema.gov/emergency/nims/>

Key benefits of NIMS

- Enhances organizational and technological interoperability and cooperation
- Provides a scalable and flexible framework with universal applicability
- Promotes all-hazards preparedness
- Enables a wide variety of organizations to participate effectively in emergency management/incident response
- Institutionalizes professional emergency management/incident response practices

Federal Preparedness Funding Eligibility

Compliance with NIMS requirements is necessary to maintain eligibility for a range of federal preparedness grants under multiple programs for various disciplines.

NIMS Audience

NIMS is applicable to all incidents and all levels of stakeholders, including levels of government, private sector organizations, critical infrastructure owners and operators, nongovernmental organizations and all other organizations who assume a role in emergency management. Elected and appointed officials and policy makers, who are responsible for jurisdictional policy decisions, must also have a clear understanding of NIMS to better serve their constituency.

Federal Fiscal Year 2010 NIMS Activities

NIMS stakeholders are expected to address outstanding FFY 2009 corrective action plans reflected in the NIMSCAST and to continue any ongoing implementation activities, such as training, resource typing, etc. The one additional training requirement for state and local emergency/departmental operations center (EOC/DOC) personnel for FFY 2010 is **IS-701 NIMS Multiagency Coordination Systems**.

NIMSCAST (NIMS Compliance Assistance Support Tool)

Ohio recognizes NIMSCAST as the mechanism for tracking and reporting NIMS implementation progress. The system is internet-based. Accounts were established and account administrators identified in past years for each jurisdiction over 5,000 population in Ohio, all counties, and select state agencies.

All responses entered into the FFY 2009 NIMSCAST have been carried over into the FFY 2010 NIMSCAST. **It is necessary to access the system, verify and/or update the responses that have been carried over, add information regarding new training requirements and recommendations, and “Submit for Rollup” for this federal fiscal year.** The deadline for submitting FFY 2010 responses and updating existing NIMSCAST corrective action plans is **August 31, 2010**.

NIMS Training Requirements

All NIMS training requirements are ongoing and apply to new hires, promotions, and reassignments. Policies which ensure that appropriate levels of NIMS training are maintained should be established at the jurisdictional and/or departmental level.

Elected and appointed officials and policy makers (e.g. – trustees, mayors, commissioners, city managers, judges, council members, township administrators, finance directors, etc.) are required to take FEMA **IS-700 NIMS: An Introduction. IS-100/ICS 100 Introduction to the Incident Command System (ICS)** is recommended but not required.

Sheriffs, although elected, are first considered part of the ICS Command and General Staff category for the purposes of determining the appropriate level of training.

Required NIMS/ICS training by potential roles in an emergency:

- *Emergency/Departmental Operations Center personnel:* **IS-701** (New for FFY 2010)
- *Entry level first responders and disaster workers:* **IS-700** and **IS-100/ICS 100**
- *First line supervisors in the ICS structure (i.e. – single resource leaders):* **IS-700, IS-100/ICS 100** and **IS-200/ICS 200** (Basic ICS)
- *Middle managers in the ICS structure (i.e. – strike team leaders):* **IS-700, IS-800** (National Response Framework), **IS-100/ICS 100, IS-200/ICS 200,** and **ICS-300** (Intermediate ICS)
- *Command and General Staff in the ICS structure (i.e. – section chiefs, area commanders, select department heads with multi-agency coordination responsibilities, etc.):* **IS-700, IS-800, IS-100/ICS 100, IS-200/ICS 200, ICS-300, ICS-400** (Advanced ICS)

The following training is recommended for appropriate audiences (as described in Five-Year NIMS Training Plan, February 2008):

- IS-702: NIMS Public Information Systems
- IS-703: NIMS Resource Management
- IS-704: NIMS Communications and Information Management

All “IS” (independent study) designated courses can be accessed through FEMA’s Independent Study site at <http://training.fema.gov/IS/crslist.asp>. ICS 300 and ICS 400 are available through classroom delivery only. Contact your local Emergency Management Agency to inquire about training opportunities.

Guidance and Additional Information

The full Ohio NIMS Implementation Guidance for this and past federal fiscal years can be accessed at: <http://ema.ohio.gov/NimsGuidance.aspx> .

Federal Guidance and resources relating to NIMS can be accessed at: <http://www.fema.gov/emergency/nims/>.
