



FEMA COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

G-108 Community Mass Care and Emergency Assistance (2-Day Course)

The purpose of this course is to develop a foundational knowledge of Mass Care and Emergency Assistance services in the community. It is not a “how to” for sheltering. Participants will use this information to build community emergency action items and to identify gaps in the community’s program. The material is intended for community agencies, Non-Governmental Organizations (NGO), and private sector organizations that will collaborate to provide the Mass Care and Emergency Assistance. The course goal is to prepare community agencies, organizations, and businesses to work together in coordination with Emergency Management and traditional Mass Care providers to plan and provide Mass Care/ Emergency Assistance (MC/EA) services to those affected by disaster.

This course counts as a “Elective Course” credit for the FEMA Advanced Professional Series Certificate

G-110 Emergency Management Operations Course (EMOC) (2 ½ Day Course)

This course is currently under revision. The EMOC is designed for local communities or tribal governments that may not be able to participate in FEMA’s resident Integrated Emergency Management Courses. The EMOC is an exercise-based program with planning sessions that begin weeks prior to the actual course. It includes classroom sessions and exercises. The purpose of the EMOC is to improve operational capabilities as they relate to managing emergencies in the local community. The course places emphasis on the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) as a focal point for managing a simulated emergency.

This course counts as a “Elective Course” credit for the FEMA Advanced Professional Series Certificate

G-191 EOC / ICS Interface (1 Day Course)

This course is designed for personnel associated with On-Scene Incident Command, EOCs and Multiagency Coordination (MAC) System entities. The goal of the course is to provide state and local emergency management officials with the knowledge and skills they need to operate an Emergency Operating Center (EOC) and interface it with an Incident Command System (ICS) field operation. It enables the participants to begin developing an ICS/EOC interface for their community by applying Incident Command System (ICS) principles. The course reviews ICS and EOC responsibilities and functions and depends heavily on exercise and group discussions to formulate the interface.

Recommended Prerequisites: IS-0100.b, Introduction to the Incident Command System, ICS-100; IS-0200.b, Incident Command System for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents; and/ or EOC Management courses

This course counts as a “Required Course” credit for the FEMA Advanced Professional Series Certificate

G-194.1 Local Floodplain Manager Roles and Responsibilities (1 Day Course)

This course is designed to familiarize participants with various aspects of the Floodplain Manager’s job. Four key roles are examined and discussed: Regulator, Coordinator, Educator, and Planner. These roles impact the Floodplain Manager’s job and have broad-reaching impacts in the community.

Special Requirement: Designed for Floodplain Managers with at least 2 years of floodplain management experience or who have the Certified Floodplain Manager (CFM) credential.

G-194.2 National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Rules and Regulations in Depth (1 Day Course)

This course is designed to review Section 60.3 of Title 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) and other rules and regulations that impact floodplain management. Participants are led through discussions and interactive exercises that explore the details of the interpretations of the various regulations. Topics covered include: floodway and encroachment requirements; new residential building requirements; development in approximate A Zones; accessory and agricultural buildings; anchoring fuel storage tanks; regulating recreational vehicles; environmental and historical regulations; and typical compliance problems.

Special Requirement: Designed for Floodplain Managers with at least 2 years of floodplain management experience or who have the Certified Floodplain Manager (CFM) credential.

G-194.4 Preparing for Post-Disaster Responsibilities (1 Day Course)

This course is designed to familiarize participants with the issues surrounding getting teams started for work in the post-disaster environment. Topics include: Identifying Partners and Resources; Creating Post-Disaster Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs); Introduction to Post-Disaster SOPs; Introduction to Post-Disaster Operations; initial sweeps and public information; detailed substantial damage inspections; substantial damage declarations and posting; permitting documentation; and compliance and funding sources.

Special Requirement: This course has in-depth discussion of the topics and exercises to help Floodplain Managers prepare for post-disaster activities and is designed for Floodplain Managers with at least 2 years of floodplain management experience or who have the Certified Floodplain Manager credential

G-202 Debris Management Planning For State, Tribal And Local Officials (4 Day Course)

This course is designed for state, local, and tribal Emergency Management personnel, including Public Works and Waste Management staffs, who are responsible for planning and/ or implementing debris removal and disposal actions. It provides an overview of issues and recommended actions necessary to plan for, respond to, and recover from a major debris-generating event with emphasis on state, local, and tribal responsibilities. Developed from a pre-disaster planning perspective, the course includes debris staff organizations; compliance with laws and regulations; contracting procedures; debris management site selection; volume-reduction methods; recycling; special debris situations; and supplementary assistance.

This course counts as a “Elective Course” credit for the FEMA Advanced Professional Series Certificate

G-203 Program Applicant (PA) Workshop (1 Day Course)

This course is designed for local government / tribal personnel, public works directors, emergency management coordinators, and other local government/Tribal personnel with disaster assignments involving the community infrastructure. It provides an overview of the roles and responsibilities of potential applicants who participate in FEMA’s Public Assistance program.

G-251 Workshop in Emergency Management Amateur Radio resources (1/2 Day Course)

This 3 to 4 hour workshop is designed for state and local elected officials, emergency managers, and other public officials, amateur radio operators. It educates state and local emergency management officials about amateur radio resources that provide emergency communications. More specifically, the workshop provides information and guidance on Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES), encourages state and local emergency management agencies to use RACES, and shows how these agencies can have an effective, integrated, and properly managed RACES organization.

G-235.A Emergency Planning Course (1 Day Course)

This course is designed for elected officials, emergency management coordinators and planners, department heads, risk managers, operations officers, and representatives of volunteer groups active in disasters. It will enhance the emergency management professional's insight and knowledge of the planning processes, planning standards, planning resources, and key information in the development of basic emergency management plans and functional annexes.

This course counts as a "Elective Course" credit for the FEMA Advanced Professional Series Certificate

G-262 Planning, Building and Sustaining Public-Private partnerships (1 Day Course)

This course is designed for any organization interested in forming and sustaining an emergency management partnership. Its purpose is to provide tools to private and public sector participants who want to build and sustain partnerships in emergency management and continuity programs. Participants will learn to recognize the role and value public-private partnerships play within the emergency management cycle, identify the steps for establishing a public-private partnership, the best practices for information sharing, emergency communications, and resource sharing in public-private partnerships and methods for sustaining public-private partnerships.

G-265 Basic Instructional Skills (2 Day Course)

This course is designed to prepare participants to assist with state-delivered Emergency Management training. It provides a foundation from which participants can develop or enhance their instructional delivery skills within a classroom setting. This course is not designed to teach how to design training. Rather, the focus of this course is how to present an existing lesson plan or training materials. At the conclusion of this course, participants should be able to:

Required Prerequisites: IS-0265, Basic Instructional Skills.

G-270.3 Expedient Flood Training (1 Hour Course)

This course is designed to train key personnel and an expedient citizen work, force prior to a flood emergency, on the basic methods and procedures used to construct a sandbag levee. This course is important for those working as part of an organized community flood control effort, as well as those people attempting an individual flood response to save an isolated home or small business. This course is designed to be delivered by a community instructor who is competent in flood control. The content can be presented to volunteers during expedient flood training or to key personnel in advance of a flood event.

This training was adapted from the original course by Peter R. Jensen, CEM, published in 1994 by Quark Management Service.

G-270.4 Recovery from Disaster: The Local Government Role (2 Day Course)

This course replaces G-603, Disaster Recovery and meets the Ohio Administrative Code for County Director Training Requirements. It is designed for local government disaster recovery professionals (elected officials, city/county administrators, emergency management coordinators, public works directors, building inspectors, community planners, and unmet needs committee coordinators). The material focuses on the local, state and federal government's roles and responsibilities in disaster recovery. It provides a forum for discussion of "lessons learned" in disaster recovery at the local government level while promoting the pre-disaster development of a jurisdictional recovery, debris and mitigation plans and identifying needed improvements to existing plans. Among the topics covered are: methods and techniques for providing public information during disaster recovery, leadership qualities and actions that contribute to disaster recovery at the local level, how a Recovery Task Force can be used to organize local government recovery operations, the components of the health care system and the role of each component, the role and responsibilities of the business sector in disaster recovery and options for providing shelter, temporary housing, replacement

housing for disaster survivors and defining the role of an unmet needs committee/long term recovery committee.

This course counts as a “Required Course” credit for the FEMA Advanced Professional Series Certificate

G-271 Hazardous Weather And Flooding Preparation (2 ½ Day Course)

This course is designed to provide training for local and state emergency managers who respond to hazardous weather events, while promoting partnership and coordination between the National Weather Service (NWS) and emergency managers. Its purpose is to enhance an emergency managers’ ability to recognize potentially hazardous weather and flooding situations and are equipped to plan appropriately and coordinate effective responses. The National Weather Service (NWS) and FEMA developed this course with input from many state and local emergency managers. It is intended to help promote a more proactive response to weather and flooding hazards through close coordination between emergency management and NWS. Material covered in the course includes: how the basic elements of weather can combine to create potential hazards in an area, weather forecast products and how to interpret them, anticipating hazardous weather for planning, warning, and response purposes and covers the roles and responsibilities of local recovery team members.

Recommended Prerequisite: IS-0271.a, Anticipating Hazardous Weather and Community Risk, 2nd Edition

This course counts as a “Elective Course” credit for the FEMA Advanced Professional Series Certificate

G-272 Warning Coordination (2 Day Course)

Every year the United States experiences more severe weather than any other country in the world. In order to reduce deaths, injuries, and property losses, emergency managers must work closely with the National Weather service (NWS) and the news media to provide effective warnings that are received and understood by people at risk. This course is intended to help facilitate that process. The course is primarily designed for local and state government emergency program managers or officials responsible for coordination and communication. The secondary audience includes federal emergency management personnel and employees of local, state, and federal governments who work in the emergency management field. Among the topics presented are: the social dimensions of warning response, developing effective warning messages, developing an effective community warning process and working with the news media to create a weather warning partnership.

Recommended Prerequisites: Participants should complete IS271, Anticipating Hazardous Weather and Community Risk, G271, Hazardous Weather and Flooding Preparedness, and IS-247, Integrated Public Alert and Warning System (IPAWS), before attending this course.

Other Recommended Courses: COMET program’s SKYWARN® Spotter Training course and G365, Partnerships for Creating and Maintaining (Weather) Spotter Groups.

This course counts as a “Elective Course” credit for the FEMA Advanced Professional Series Certificate

G-279 Retro-fitting Flood-Prone Residential Buildings (2 Day Course)

This course is currently under revision. The primary audience for this course is engineers and architects. Floodplain managers and building code officials are also encouraged to attend. Hazard mitigation, planning, zoning, public works, and other building officials with building science knowledge and also those from the private sector, such as engineering firms may also apply. This course provides engineering and economic guidance to architects, engineers, and local code enforcement officials in retrofitting existing one- to four-family residential structures situated in flood-prone areas. The retrofitting measures presented are creative, practical, compliant with applicable floodplain regulations, and satisfactory to most homeowners.

Recommended Prerequisite: Participants should complete IS-0279, Engineering Principles and Practices for Retrofitting Flood-Prone Residential Structures. Taking IS-0279 should also help potential participants establish whether they have the necessary level of building science knowledge.

G-282.1 Flood Insurance for the Local Floodplain Manager (1 Day Course)

This course is designed to familiarize participants with the flood insurance aspects of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). The basics of flood insurance backed by the NFIP, including NFIP coverage, rating, NFIP policy information, rate and rule changes, and opportunities for flood insurance outreach, will be discussed and reviewed. Interactive exercises and in-depth discussions will aid participants in learning this information.

Special Requirement: Designed for Floodplain Managers with at least 2 years of floodplain management experience or who have the Certified Floodplain Manager (CFM) credential.

G-282.2 Hydrology and Hydraulics for the Floodplain Manager (1 Day Course)

This course is designed to familiarize participants with the hydrology and hydraulics aspects of the Flood Insurance Studies (FISs) prepared under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). The basics of both hydrology and hydraulics are discussed as well as the fundamentals of the FIS and Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM). The flood profiles, regulatory floodways, special considerations in the mapping process, and FIS interpretation are also discussed. Interactive exercises and in-depth discussions will aid participants in learning this information.

Special Requirement: Designed for Floodplain Managers with at least 2 years of floodplain management experience or who have the Certified Floodplain Manager (CFM) credential.

G-282.3 Manufactured Homes and Recreational Vehicles (RVs) in the Floodplain (1 Day Course)

This course is designed to familiarize participants with the requirements for manufactured homes and recreational vehicles under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). The 2008 changes in the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) rules related to manufactured home installation and inspection are discussed in detail. The analysis of the site review process, foundation design, installation concerns, and enforcement of NFIP regulations and HUD regulations, and consideration of recreational vehicles in the floodplain are also discussed. Interactive exercises and in-depth discussions will aid participants in learning this information.

Special Requirement: Designed for Floodplain Managers with at least 2 years of floodplain management experience or who have the Certified Floodplain Manager (CFM) credential.

G-282.4 Higher Standards and No-Adverse Impact (NAI) Concepts in Floodplain Management (1 Day Course)

This course is designed to familiarize participants with the concept of higher standards and implementation of higher standards specifically related to freeboard, critical facilities, detailed base flood elevation determinations in approximate A Zone areas, subdivision requirements, prohibition of fill, and enclosure limitations. The concept of the “No-Adverse Impact” is also discussed. Interactive exercises and in-depth discussions will aid participants in learning this information.

Special Requirement: Designed for Floodplain Managers with at least 2 years of floodplain management experience or who have the Certified Floodplain Manager (CFM) credential.

G-288 Local Volunteer and Donations Management (1 ½ Day Course)

This training supports local governments and their emergency management partners in preparing for, responding to, and recovering from disaster events at the local level. The course is designed to strengthen the abilities of local jurisdictions to successfully prepare for and handle volunteer and donations management issues that may arise. The course content and activities may also serve as a template, thereby enhancing uniformity in addressing areas of donated unsolicited goods, unaffiliated volunteers, and undesignated cash. This training also provides information regarding the state's volunteer and donations management responsibilities, which are designed to help build relationships between government and non-governmental organizations.

Required Prerequisites: IS-0288, The Role of Voluntary Organizations in Emergency Management

Recommended Prerequisites: IS-0700.a, National Incident Management System, an Introduction; and IS-0100.b, Introduction to the Incident Command System, ICS-100

This course counts as a "Elective Course" credit for the FEMA Advanced Professional Series Certificate

G-289 Public Information Officer (PIO) Awareness Course (1 Day Course)

This awareness-level training is suitable for new PIOs, taken alone or before Basic Public Information Officer (PIO) (G290) training. A secondary audience is elected or other officials who want an overview of emergency public information.

Emergency Public Information Officers (PIOs) are responsible for ensuring that the affected public receives accurate and timely information during an emergency. Armed with good information, people are better able to make good decisions and, by doing so; contribute to the overall response goal of saving lives and protecting property. Some PIOs tasked with planning for, developing, and disseminating emergency public information at the state, tribal, and local levels bear this considerable responsibility concurrently with other job assignments. This course will orient the participants to the public information function and the role of the PIO in the Public Safety/ Emergency Management environment and is designed to acquaint participants with the concepts underlying the PIO role. Taken alone, this course can provide a basic understanding of the PIO function for those new to the position. Additionally, this training is a prerequisite and foundation for more advanced training that takes participants from the Awareness level to the Mastery level in their public information careers.

G-290 & G-291 Public Information Officer (PIO) / Joint Information Center (JIC) (3 Day Course)

This G290 course is an updated, shortened, and revised version of the previous G290 course. The revised course emphasizes skills development, addresses the impact of technology on emergency public information, and offers options that allow states to tailor the instructional methodology to suit their needs while consistently meeting the course learning objectives.

The purpose of the G291 course is to build on the solo PIO competencies gained in the Basic Public Information Officer (PIO) (G290) course to applying those skills in an expanding incident where coordination is enhanced through the establishment of a Joint Information System (JIS)/Joint Information Center (JIC). This training will equip PIOs with the skills needed to establish and operate in a JIS/JIC. Participants will also gain a working knowledge of operational practices for performing PIO duties within the National Incident Management System (NIMS) multiagency coordination system. The course will demonstrate how JIC concepts are applied in a flexible and scalable manner at the local level.

Recommended Prerequisites: G0289, Public Information Officer Awareness Training, or IS-0029, Public Information Officer

G290 counts as a "Elective Course" credit for the FEMA Advanced Professional Series Certificate

G-300 / ICS-300 Intermediate ICS for Expanding Incidents (3 Day Course)

This course provides training on and resources for personnel who require advanced application of the Incident Command System (ICS). The target audience for this course is individuals who may assume a supervisory role in expanding incidents or Type 3 incidents. These incidents may extend into multiple operational periods. This course expands upon information covered in the ICS-100 and ICS-200 courses. These earlier courses or an equivalent are prerequisites for ICS-300. This course will include but not be limited to; unified command, incident/event assessment and objective development, the ICS planning process, incident/event resource management, transfer of command and demobilization.

Required Prerequisites: IS-0100.b, Introduction to the Incident Command System, ICS-100; IS-0200.b, Incident Command System for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents; IS-0700.a, National Incident Management System, An Introduction; and IS-0800.b, National Response Framework, An Introduction

Recommended Prerequisites: Experience using concepts and principles from ICS-100 and ICS-200 in a response or exercise

G-310 Weapons of Mass Destruction (1 Day Course)

This series of facilitator-led courses is intended to help senior local government officials prepare for and improve their ability to manage and respond to mass casualty terrorism incidents involving the use of Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD). There are 5 different scenarios that may be used. Each has the same five objectives:

- Exercise greater leadership in preparing for and managing response to WMD mass casualty terrorism incidents through a better understanding of their jurisdiction's response capabilities.
- Analyze the appropriateness of plans, policies, procedures, and other preparedness elements currently in place to respond to and recover from a mass casualty terrorist incident.
- Determine the adequacy and the level of training of jurisdictional disaster and emergency management staff.
- Determine the adequacy of the jurisdiction's resources (e.g., personnel, materials, and personal protective and other equipment) for response and recovery from a mass casualty incident.
- Identify the coordination requirements among local, state, and federal governments for response to WMD terrorist incidents.

G-311 Hazardous Materials Contingency Planning (1 Day Course)

This course is for emergency management personnel responsible for hazardous materials planning and coordination. It covers emergencies including transportation, use, storage, and disposal of hazardous materials, and episodic releases of air-toxic chemicals from fixed-site facilities. Emphasis is placed on interagency cooperation and the identification of technical assistance that is available.

Topics include federal, state, and local mechanisms to assist in planning and response, tactical requirements, hazardous materials characteristics, and regulatory compliance.

Required Prerequisite: IS-0056, Hazardous Materials Contingency Planning

Recommended Prerequisites: IS-0235.b, Emergency Planning; IS-0100.b, Introduction to the Incident Command System, ICS-100; and IS-0200.b, Incident Command System for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents

G-318 Local Mitigation Planning Workshop (1 Day Course)

This course provides plan developers with the information necessary to prepare and implement a local “Hazard Mitigation Plan”. During this course participants will learn what constitute hazard mitigation and identify the benefits of mitigation planning; develop or update a local “Mitigation Plan”; and identify resources and guidance available for mitigation planning and plan implementation.

This course counts as a “Required Course” credit for the FEMA Advanced Professional Series Certificate

G-357 Emergency Response To A Criminal And Terrorist Incident (1 Day Course)

The primary goals of this course include increasing safety by describing hazards that may exist at crime scenes, enhancing evidence preservation and rescue efforts, and fostering cooperative working relationships among all responders through role and responsibility clarification. The course uses a combination of instructor-led discussions and video presentations and concludes with an exercise.

G-358 Evacuation and Re-Entry Planning (2 Day Course)

This 12-hour course is designed to provide participants with the knowledge and skills needed to design and implement an evacuation and re-entry plan for their jurisdictions. It focuses on planning the operational aspects of evacuation and re-entry. **It does not address the decision to evacuate or re-enter.** Participants will review their community’s vulnerability analysis and evacuation plans during the course exercises. The course also addresses evacuation behavior, recommends methods to make evacuation and re-entry more efficient and considers shelter destinations as a component of the evacuation planning process

G-361 Flood Fight Operations (2 ½ Day Course)

This 2½-day course is for emergency managers, public works officials, levee district representatives, and others responsible for planning, preparing, and managing the response to a flood. Using a combination of lectures, discussions, activities, and exercises, the course will take participants through the complete process from well before the flood to clean-up afterwards. Officials from every community at risk of flooding should take this training.

While this training emphasizes how to conduct a flood fight, it provides information to help communities decide if a flood fight is possible and worth the effort and cost. Diagrams with materials lists and equipment and labor requirements to construct various types of temporary flood protection can be used to help determine if there is enough time and resources to protect the community. If the whole community cannot be protected, then officials must decide where to concentrate their efforts to protect some areas and/or evacuate and relocate what they can. If a flood fight is undertaken, it should be done the right way or the effort will be wasted.

This course counts as a “Elective Course” credit for the FEMA Advanced Professional Series Certificate

G-364 Multi-Hazard Planning For Schools (1 ½ Day Course)

This 2-day course provides schools with the knowledge, skills, and tools needed to refine or develop an all-hazards school Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) and to identify how to train and exercise the school EOP. This course follows the guidance set forth in the FEMA Comprehensive Preparedness Guide, CPG 101, for developing an emergency operations plan and explains how to utilize the National Incident Management System (NIMS) as the foundation for planning and building partnerships with outside agencies such as law enforcement, fire, and emergency management.

Participants need to bring a copy of their School’s Emergency Operations Plan to the Course.

Recommended Prerequisites: Completion of IS-0100. SCa (or IS-0100.SC or IS-0100.b), Introduction to the Incident Command System (ICS-100) for Schools; and IS-0700.a, National Incident Management System, An Introduction

This course counts as a “Elective Course” credit for the FEMA Advanced Professional Series Certificate

G-365 WEM Partnerships for Creating and Maintaining Spotter Groups (5 Hour Course)

This 5-hour workshop emphasizes the valuable service that spotter groups provide to protect lives during hazardous weather and flooding. This activity is intended to promote the creation and enhancement of spotter groups across the country. It includes a wide variety of tools and approaches to help make spotter groups a key part of effective community warning systems.

G-366 Planning For The Needs of Children in Disasters (5 Hour Course)

This course enables participants to improve their community’s Mitigation and Emergency Operations Plan (EOP), specifically regarding the needs of children. The course will provide participants with the information needed to address the unique needs of children prior to, during, and following disasters. It will also provide them guidance and direction on how to form coalitions and how to become advocates for the unique needs of children in all aspects of Emergency Management.

This course counts as a “Elective Course” credit for the FEMA Advanced Professional Series Certificate

G-367 Emergency Planning for Campus Executives (2 Hour Course)

This 2-hour overview of Emergency Planning serves as a briefing for executives of institutions of higher education. It provides them with insights into multi-hazard Emergency Planning and their role in protecting lives, property, and operations. The course consists of seven modules which can be delivered independently so that executives can tailor it to fit their schedules and needs.

The seven modules are:

- Emergency Management: What Is It? Why Do It?
- Executive-Level Support
- Developing Your Emergency Operations Plan
- Evaluating Your EOP
- Responding Using Incident Command System
- Emergency Operations Center
- Engaging Your Campus

Recommended Prerequisite: IS-0100.HE, Introduction to the Incident Command System (ICS-100) for Higher Education

G-386 Mass Fatalities Incident Course (2 Day Course)

This 2-day course prepares state and local response personnel and other responsible agencies and professionals to handle mass fatalities effectively and to work with the survivors in an emergency or disaster. This course covers incident management, mass fatalities, planning before and operations during an incident, establishing the morgue, family assistance support operation, and assistance from the federal government. The course concludes with a tabletop exercise.

This course counts as a “Elective Course” credit for the FEMA Advanced Professional Series Certificate

G-393 Mitigation for Emergency Managers (3 Day Course)

This course is designed to enable the non-technical emergency worker to acquire skills in the use of mitigation. The course provides training in how to perform mitigation activities fundamental to reducing and eliminating long-term risk from hazards. It addresses the important roles of the emergency program manager (or other local government representative) in mitigation: motivator, coordinator, and monitor in local implementation of the National Mitigation Strategy.

Recommended Prerequisite: Completion of IS-0393.a, Introduction to Hazard Mitigation, prior to enrollment

This course counts as a “Required Course” credit for the FEMA Advanced Professional Series Certificate

G-400 / ICS-400 Advanced ICS Command and General Staff – Complex Incidents (2 Day Course)

This course expands upon information covered in the ICS-100 through ICS-300 courses and is designed for senior emergency personnel who are expected to perform in a management capacity in a Multi-Agency Coordination unit or in an Area Command. The goals of the ICS-400 Advanced ICS are to explain how major incidents engender special management challenges; describe the circumstances in which an Area Command is established, and to describe the circumstances in which multi-agency coordination systems are established. There are group activities that incorporate the application of Area Command and Multi-Agency Coordination to enhance the objectives of the course.

This course provides training on and resources for personnel who require advanced application of the Incident Command System (ICS). These earlier courses are prerequisites for ICS-400.

Required Prerequisites: IS-0100.b, Introduction to the Incident Command System, ICS-100; IS-0200.b, Incident Command System for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents; G0300, ICS-300: Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents; IS-0700.a, National Incident Management System, An Introduction; and IS-0800.b, National Response Framework, An Introduction

Recommended Prerequisites: Experience using concepts and principles from ICS-100, ICS-200, and ICS-300 in a response or exercise

G-402 ICS Overview For Executives And Senior Officials (2 Hour Course)

The purpose of this course is to provide an orientation to executives and senior officials (including elected officials, city/county managers, agency administrators, etc.) an orientation to the Incident Command System (ICS). It covers what ICS is, organization and features, discuss the unified and area commands, coordination and incident management assessment and ICS preparedness

This course replaced G194, Incident Command System for Public Officials.

G-434.A Earthquake Safety for Schools (1 ¼ Day Course)

The purpose of this course is to prepare school staff and administrators for an earthquake at their school location. The course is designed to describe the effects of an earthquake; explain how to mitigate those effects; state the key elements of an earthquake plan for preparedness, response, and recovery; and outline the procedures for training and exercises related to that emergency plan.

G-489 Management of Spontaneous Volunteers in Disasters (1 Day Course)

This course aims to introduce the keys to success in managing large numbers of spontaneous volunteers in disasters. Its underlying assumption is that much of the volunteer help is indeed needed, and that with basic emergency management coordination skills, the volunteer resources can often be put to effective use, making a positive difference in the affected community. The course will discuss the benefits spontaneous volunteers

can bring to relief efforts and the challenges they may bring if not coordinated effectively. In addition, the course will examine planning considerations regarding spontaneous volunteers. Special emphasis is also placed on how to make full use of a “Volunteer Reception Center”—the backbone of any well-organized spontaneous volunteer management program.

Required Prerequisites: All course participants should be familiar with their local government Emergency Operations Plan Annex, if one exists, on the use of spontaneous volunteers and volunteers affiliated with relief organizations.

Recommended Prerequisites: In addition, the individuals should have a working knowledge of the Incident Command and National Incident Management Systems (IS-0100, IS-0200, IS-0700.a, National Incident Management System, An Introduction; and IS-0800.b, National Response Framework, An Introduction).

G-548 – IS 548 Continuity Program Manager (3 Day Course)

This course is designed to acquaint experienced Continuity of Operations (COOP) practitioners and instructors with the COOP Program Managers Course materials. The objectives include defining COOP; explaining the benefits of a viable COOP Program and Plan; identifying elements of a viable COOP Program; and identifying processes, resources, and tasks necessary to implement and manage a successful COOP Program. The course will also refresh experienced instructors on instructional methodology and techniques.

This course is designed for Public Sector staff with responsibility for managing their COOP effort. Others who are integral to the COOP planning process may also take the course.

G-557 Rapid Assessment Planning (1 Day Course)

This course provides information and resources that will enable participants to plan an effective Damage Assessment Program and conduct rapid and effective damage assessments in order to save lives, protect property and the environment, and begin the process of Recovery and Mitigation.

Recommended Prerequisites: IS-0100.b, Introduction to the Incident Command System, ICS-100; IS-0200.b, Incident Command System for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents; IS-0700.a, National Incident Management System, An Introduction; IS-0800.b, National Response Framework, An Introduction; IS-0120.a, An Introduction to Exercises; and IS-0130, Exercise Evaluation and Improvement Planning

This course counts as a “Required Course” credit for the FEMA Advanced Professional Series Certificate

G-775 EOC Operations (2 Day Course)

This course will provide a process and tools for jurisdictions to use in working together to achieve communications interoperability. Based on the SAFECOM model developed by the Department of Homeland Security’s Office for Interoperability and Compatibility, and the National Incident Management System, this course focuses on cooperative planning in five main areas—governance, technology, plans and procedures, training and exercises, and usage—and on funding improvements in those areas.

Recommended Prerequisite: IS-0701.a, National Incident Management System Multi-Agency Coordination System Course

This course counts as a “Required Course” credit for the FEMA Advanced Professional Series Certificate