

Training & Exercises

<i>Incident Communications Center Manager (INCM) Training</i>	
Type of TA Offering:	Three Day Course (20 student maximum)
Stakeholders/Audience:	COMLs, Dispatch Supervisors, Public Safety Communications Professionals

Offering Overview

COMLs and COMTs are not the only communications professionals who manage the communications needs of the incident. For some incidents, the COML establishes an Incident Communications Center staffed with Radio Operators to provide communications support for operations. Once radio personnel are on scene, it becomes important for an Incident Communications Center Manager (INCM) to be assigned for coordination purposes and to avoid span-of-control issues.

The All-Hazards Incident Communications Center Manager course is designed to prepare Communication Unit Leaders, dispatch supervisors and public safety communication professionals for managing all functions in the Incident Communications Center.⁷ The course is taught by instructors with experience in dispatch operations, COML and INCM. This 3-day course is limited to 20 students. Each attendee participates in hands on training exercises and receives a position task book.

Prerequisites for attendance are:

Personal experience

- ✓ Awareness of fundamental public safety communications technology

The most recent version of the following courses from the FEMA/EMI website:

On-line course completion

- ✓ IS-100, Introduction to the ICS
- ✓ IS-144, Telecommunicators Emergency Response Taskforce (TERT) Basic Course
- ✓ IS-200, ICS for Single Resources and Initial Incidents
- ✓ IS-700, National Incident Management System (NIMS), an Introduction
- ✓ IS-800, National Response Framework (NRF)

The most recent version of the following courses taught in a classroom setting:

In-person classroom instruction

- ✓ ICS-300, Intermediate Incident Command System (ICS) for Expanding Incidents, is also recommended.

⁷ For any OEC/ICTAP COMU training course (COML, COMT, INCM, INTD, RADO, AUXCOMM) SWICs are encouraged to notify the State Training Officer (STO) prior to its start to ensure the course is documented in state training files.

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