WIDE AREA SEARCH
PER-213

DHS/FEMA-funded course

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National Emergency
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When disaster strikes it can be a challenge to effectively mobilize, organize, and deploy needed resources. The TEEX /NERRTC Wide Area Search course is an excellent training opportunity for nearly any jurisdiction or agency that may face such an emergency. The discipline applies to a vast number of critical situations including natural disasters or terrorist incidents. Participants are instructed in practical search methods and skills so they can perform systematic searches over a large affected area. The training includes challenging exercises that mirror real life scenarios. The three-day long event concludes with an in-depth exercise that requires participants to apply the skills gained during the course. The instructors delivering the course are knowledgeable, experienced emergency responders who have actively employed wide area search techniques during some of the nation's largest and most challenging search and rescue operations.

Topics
- Preparedness and Response
- Search Management and Planning
- Mapping
- Search Strategies and Skills
- Communication
- Team Management
- Hands-on Exercise

Recommendations
- IS-100 - Introduction to the Incident Command System or equivalent
- IS-200 - ICS for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents or equivalent

FEMA / SID Number
Students must register and bring a copy of their SID number to class. Register online:
cdp.dhs.gov/femasid

Course Length
3 Days (24 hours)

Venue
Jurisdiction

Class Size
24-40 Participants

Participants
- Fire and rescue
- Law enforcement
- Medical professionals
- Emergency management
- Military
- Hazardous Materials
- Immigration and Naturalization
- Environmental
- Canine Handlers
- Non-governmental organizations

CE Credits
IACET – 2.4 CEUs

ACE - 1 Hour College Credit (Lower Division)

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