



Training Announcement: Communications Unit Technician (COMT)

November 16th—20th, 2020

Virtual Instruction 16th—17th

In-Person Instruction 18th—20th

State Preparedness Training Center

Course Description

This class provides introductory and refresher training for the NIMS ICS COMT position. It introduces public safety professionals and support staff for various communications concept and technologies including interoperable communications solutions, LMR communications, satellite, telephone, data, and computer technologies used in incident response and planned events. Participants develop the essential core competencies required to performing the duties of the COMT in an all-hazards incident, including responsibilities while operating in a local, regional, or state-level All-Hazards Incident Management Team.

Topics Include

The course provides a realistic, hands-on approach to mastering the tasks and skills of a COMT. Learning through discussion, lecture, participation in multiple activities and hands-on lab work to explain processes used for establishment and operation of the technical communications resources for an incident or planned event.

Course Provider

This course is taught by DHSES-OIEC and/or CISA-ECD Instructors

Location

State Preparedness Training Center
5900 Airport Road, Oriskany, NY 13424

Cost

There is NO FEE for this course. *Lunch will be provided November 18th, 19th and 20th.* Travel and all other meals are the responsibility of the course participant.

Times

November 16th—17th, 2020: Virtual Instruction, Course (9:00am-5:00pm)

November 18th—20th, 2020: Registration and Check-In (7:30am-8:00am), Course (8:00am-4:00pm)

Audience and Equipment Requirements

The target audience for this course includes Emergency Response Personnel with a Technical Communications Background. Personal experience with field operations, awareness of fundamental public safety communications technology, and basic knowledge of applicable Communications plans. Maximum of 15 students.

Prerequisites

- Personal Experience
- A technical communication background
- Awareness of fundamental public safety communications technology
- Basic knowledge of applicable Communications Plan

Must have completed the following on-line courses from the FEMA/EMI website:

- IS-100, Introduction to the ICS
- IS-200, ICS for Single Resources and Initial Incidents
- IS-700, National Incident Management System (NIMS)
- IS-800, National Response Framework (NRF)
- Familiarity with the pre-course reading materials

Registration Process

All student registrations will be reviewed by the SPTC with approvals sent to students NO LATER THAN 2 weeks prior to the start of the class. Registration does not guarantee a seat in the class. If you are accepted into this course, you will receive a confirmation email from the Center.

To register for this course, access the SPTC's Training Calendar online:

<http://www.dhSES.ny.gov/training/calendar/?agency=SPTC>.

Be sure to select "OIEC Communications Unit Technician (COMT)" on the page.

No Show Policy

Failure to attend a class you have registered for can result in restriction on future course attendance and agency notification. If you have not received a confirmation or denial two weeks prior to the course date, please contact DHSES, SPTC at (315) 768-5689 or SPTC.INFO@dhSES.ny.gov

Lodging

Lodging will be provided on the nights of November 17th, 18th and 19th, 2020 for public sector personnel.

You are eligible for lodging if your residence and official work station are more than 50 miles from the SPTC and you are public sector personnel. Lodging is not available for federal employees or private industry participants. You must be enrolled in the course and have received lodging confirmation from the SPTC before arriving at the Center, or your lodging will not be covered and you will not be allowed in the class.

If you have any questions, please contact the SPTC at 315-768-5689 or SPTC.INFO@dhSES.ny.gov prior to arriving at the Center.

For More Information, please contact the DHSES State Preparedness Training Center (SPTC)

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