

CERT ALL MEMBER WEEKLY BRIEF SEPTEMBER 10, 2009

CERT is what you make it!

The weekly CERT Brief is available on our webpage at:

<http://www.nassaucountyny.gov/agencies/OEM/CC/CERT/brief.html>

If you have any suggestions including training or comments on how to make CERT better, please send an email to oemcert@nassaucountyny.gov. Or call us at 573-0648 and leave a message.

All responses are kept strictly confidential unless otherwise expressed.

A MESSAGE FROM BOB

On behalf of County Executive Tom Suozzi and Commissioner James J Callahan III thank you for your dedication and commitment to CERT and Citizen Preparedness.

Nassau County CERT members are encouraged to complete the following survey and submit via email to oemcert@nassaucountyny.gov or FAX to 516-573-0673. Your information will be used to refine our program and help us deliver what you are interested in!

The survey is posted at: <http://www.nassaucountyny.gov/agencies/OEM/CC/CERT/certforms.html>

I hope to see you all at this Sundays Exercise! The theme is Regionalization and collaboration! We are proud to be conducting a regional full scale training exercise and excited that our partners in disaster assistance are participating! See the below announcement for times and location!

Training! You have asked for training and we hope you are signing up for courses and classes! If we do not have more students for the ICS 200 class on September 23rd and 24th we will be forced to cancel yet another course! If you haven't taken ICS 200 and want to further your ICS skills come on out for this class!

Latest FEMA Flood Maps

FEMA is now in the process of updating the flood maps for Nassau County. To assist you in researching if you are located in a flood zone area or, because the recent Flood Insurance Study you will be located in a flood zone, click on the links below and follow the directions:

CURRENT FEMA MAP:

<http://msc.fema.gov/webapp/wcs/stores/servlet/FemaWelcomeView?storeId=10001&catalogId=10001&langId=-1>

PROPOSED FEMA MAP: <http://www.nassaunyfloodmap.com>

(These maps are a FEMA product)

TRAINING

Nassau County CERT September 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday

6	7 Labor Day	8	9 Basic 4*** Class II 6:30-10:00pm Farmingdale	10 POD Task Force Training 7:00-8:00 PM Freeport **	11	12
13 CERT DRILL Grandparents Day	14 EOC Basic (E-914) 7:00-9:00pm EOC	15 Planning Meeting 7:00-9:00pm	16 ICS200 (I-0916) 7:00-10:00pm EOC Basic 4*** Class III 6:30-10:00pm Farmingdale	17 ICS200 (I-0916) 7:00-10:00pm EOC	18	19 Rosh Hashanah
20	21	22 General Staff Meeting 7:00-9:00pm Autumn begins	23 ICS200 (I-0923) 2:00-5:00pm EOC Basic 4*** Class IV 6:30-10:00pm Farmingdale	24 ICS200 (I-0923) 2:00-5:00pm EOC	25	26
27	28 Yom Kippur	29 Health POD Management 7:00 – 9:00 pm Hicksville*** (PODM-0929)	30 Basic 4*** Class V 6:30-10:00pm Farmingdale Health POD Management 7:00 – 9:00 pm Hicksville (PODM-0929)			

***Hicksville Community Center, 28 West Carl St. Hicksville, NY

** Freeport Fire House located at 15 Broadway Freeport NY 11520

In service training is open to all active CERT members on a first come first served basis.

ICS training is open to other groups, agencies, friends, colleagues, businesses, etc., who may have a need to operate in a disaster or emergency. OEM is inviting all with a need for this information to join the training! (Some restrictions apply!) Please forward this announcement for ICS to any school, business or agency that would benefit from the training. **Don't forget that for EVERY CERT Training and activation YOU NEED to be prepared! Bring your CERT Gear! Have appropriate clothing and footwear on! Have your CERT uniform! Be prepared!**

POD CERT Task Force Training

September 10, 2009, Thursday 7:00 to 8:00 PM

Tonight's training will take place at the following location

Freeport Fire House 15 Broadway, Freeport NY 11552

This class will prepare you to volunteer in a Medical Point of Distribution (POD). This **1 hour mandatory training will enable you to function effectively in a REAL POD activation.** Please sign up for **one of these locations!** The CERT POD Task Force will be assigned many of the important roles within a POD assisting medical staff from MRC and DOH. You will be trained to assume a variety of roles within the Incident Command Structure (ICS) of a POD. Additionally members will be recruited from the attendees for additional training to fulfill POD management positions.

Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Basic Training (Course: E-0914)

CANCELED

9/14, 2009 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM (2 hours) Monday Night

Nassau County OEM 100 Carman Av. East Meadow, NY 11554

~~This class will introduce CERT members to the policies, procedures and general activities that occur during EOC activation. Class is limited to 20 students, first come first served. You will be notified of acceptance one week before the class date by email. CERT members are REQUIRED to have taken this course in order to work in the EOC. Prerequisite: All applicants must have completed ICS 100 prior to attending this course. If you did not FAX or email your ICS 100 Certificate to the CERT desk FAX: 573-0673 Register oeccert@nassaucountyny.gov subject line "E-0914"~~

ICS-200 Incident Command System, I-200 (class# I-0916)

9/16 & 17, 2009 Wednesday/ Thursday 6 hours (must attend BOTH classes)

7:00 Pm to 10:00 PM

Nassau County OEM 100 Carman Av. East Meadow, NY 11554

THIS IS THE SECOND OF THE ICS SERIES OF COURSES! EXPAND YOUR KNOWLEDGE! Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents ICS 200 is designed to enable personnel to operate efficiently during an incident or event within the Incident Command System (ICS). ICS-200 provides training on and resources for **personnel who are likely to assume a supervisory position within the ICS**. Class is limited to 20 students, first come first served. You will be notified of acceptance one week before the class date by email. This is an interactive instructor driven course recommended for all. Even if you have previously completed ICS-200 online, this course will provide you with experience and hands on knowledge. You must have taken ICS-100 prior to attending this course. Register oeccert@nassaucountyny.gov subject **"ICS Training class-I-0916"**

ICS-200 Incident Command System, I-200 (class# I-0923)

September 23 & 24, 2009 Wednesday/ Thursday 6 hours (must attend BOTH classes)

2:00 - 5:00 PM (daytime)

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NEW Health POD Management Course

September 29 & 30 7:00 – 9:00 pm (this is a 4 hour course)

Hicksville Community Center, 28 West Carl St. Hicksville, NY

Sign up by email to oeccert@nassaucountyny.gov with "PODM-0929" in subject.

This class will prepare you to manage a Medical Point of Distribution (POD). This **4 hour mandatory training will enable you to effectively manage and supervise over all aspects of a POD**. You must satisfactorily complete this training as well as a leadership evaluation. **Not all participants will become CERT POD Managers. If you feel you are POD Leadership material please sign up for this course!**

ACTIVATIONS AND EXERCISES

****SIGN UP NOW OR WE WILL BE FORCED TO CANCEL DUE TO LACK OF INTEREST****

FULL SCALE Training EXERCISE

September 13, 2009, Sunday 7:00 AM to 1:00 PM

150 Miller Place, Syosset, NY 11791, Town of Oyster Bay DPW Yards in Syosset

(North side of Long Island Expressway on service road between South Oyster Bay Road (exit 43) and Robins Lane (Exit 43A))

UPDATE:

AUTHORIZED DRESS:

- CERT hardhat
- CERT reflective vest
- CERT Green or White shirt*
- Long pants suitable for working in the field (jeans, BDU's, cargo pants, etc.)
- Closed-toe protective shoes or work boots (sneakers are discouraged)
- Poncho or rain gear
- Absence of CERT shirt will not automatically eliminate anyone *outright*. Judgment should be used and overall preparedness considered.

Minimum Equipment:

- Goggles
- Flashlight
- Work gloves
- Latex or non-latex protective gloves
- GMRS/FRS 2-way radio if they own them, with spare batteries.

ABSOLUTELY NOT PERMITTED:

- Open-toe shoes, sandals or flip-flops
- Shorts or skirts
- Guns (regardless of having a "carry permit") or Knives
- Bats, clubs, batons or asps
- Mace or pepper spray

Activation to assist First Responders with Transit Terrorist Tools and Tactics

9/17, 2009 12:00 PM – 3:30 PM at Fire Academy

Nassau Fire Academy 300 Winding Rd Old Bethpage, Long Island, NY 11803

To register oemcert@nassaucountyny.gov Include "CERT 4T-0917" in subject.

CW Post Campus Public Safety Exercise

10/17, 2009 7:00 AM – 12:00 PM

CW Post 720 Northern Blvd. Brookville, New York 11548

CW Post and Roslyn Rescue will be holding their annual exercise on Saturday Oct 17th this year. The exercise this year will be a medical POD for an influenza outbreak, it will require a large CERT and MRC presence to both work at the POD and as patient actors. Details on the exercise will be formalized in July when we have our first planning meeting. This exercise will only involve CW Post Public Safety, EMS, Glen Cove Hosp, CERT, and MRC, there will be no fire or police involved in this exercise. Students are being recruited as patient actors with CERT to backfill as needed. Register by emailing oemcert@nassaucountyny.gov and use the subject "CWP Exercise 1017"

OTHER NEWS AND INFORMATION

FEMA RESEARCH PROVIDES NEW INSIGHTS ON PERSONAL PREPAREDNESS

Survey Findings Provide Direction for Communication and Public Education Efforts

During the 2009 National Conference on Community Preparedness, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released a new report *Personal Preparedness in America: Findings from the 2009 Citizen Corps National Survey* that offers comprehensive data on the public's thoughts, perceptions, and behaviors related to preparedness and community safety for multiple types of hazards. Findings from these surveys provide valuable insights for increasing personal preparedness, civic engagement, and community resilience. These findings are particularly relevant as we prepare for a possible pandemic flu outbreak, hurricane season, and other hazards.

To read the survey reports, go to <http://www.citizencorps.gov/ready/2009findings.shtm>

BASIC CLASSES:

Please check the website training page for the updated CERT Calendar:

<http://www.nassaucountyny.gov/agencies/OEM/CC/CERT/training.html>

PLEASE CHECK THE WEBSITE CALENDAR IF YOU ARE AN INSTRUCTOR! We have updated the 2009 calendar and need you to volunteer for your segment!

Help out or just attend at CERT Basic Class and renew your interest as well!

If you can assist our program- even if you haven't done anything like this before, come on out and help us make the program the best in the country! Helping is fun and exciting! AND you even get to practice what you learned in training!

South Farmingdale Basic Class **September 2009 Class Schedule and Location** **Updated 08/18/2009**

Class Times	Doors open at 6:30pm, class starts promptly at 7:00pm and ends at 10:00pm
Class Location	819 south main St, South Farmingdale, NY, 11735 cross Crestwood blvd.
Refreshments	Water will be supplied for classes 1 through 8.
Course Listing	Course Incident Commander (IC) Kathy Cowden Classes are run using ICS and an IC needs to attend every class. You may have a Deputy who can split the classes with you. The IC is responsible for directing the class and for ALL ASPECTS OF COURSE administrative paperwork and equipment. The IC must get each class attendance to OEM (in person or via email) within two days of each class. This position can be shared by two members.

Class Details **WEDNESDAYS**

Class 1	September 2	What is CERT?, Intro to ICS and CERT Organization,
Class 2	September 9	Disaster Medical Operations I
Class 3	September 16	Light Search and Rescue
Class 4	September 23	Disaster Psychology and Terrorism
Class 5	September 30	Fire Suppression and Part I Table Top Exercise
Class 6	October 7	Sheltering Operations Part II Table top Exercise
Class 7	October 14	Disaster Medical Operations II
Class 8	October 21	Radio Operations, Community Outreach and Graduation

Class 1, 9/2/2009: What is CERT? Intro to ICS and CERT Organization,

Bob B What Is CERT

Debbie B Organization

Class 2, 9/9/2009: Medical I

2 VEEB instructors will teach this class

Volunteers will assist with practical

_____ Volunteer Instructor Assistant

Class 3, 9/16/2009: Light Search and Rescue

2 VEEB instructors will teach this class

Volunteers will assist with practical

_____ Volunteer Assistant

Class 4, 9/23/2009: Terrorism and Disaster Psychology

Volunteers will teach this class

_____ Volunteer Instructor – Terrorism

_____ Volunteer Instructor – Disaster Psychology and Disabled Persons

Class 5, 9/30/2009: Fire Suppression and Part I Table Top Exercise

2 VEEB instructors will teach the firefighting part of this class and

Volunteers will concurrently teach the exercise part of this class

Volunteers will conduct table top and send one team out at a time for fire suppression as directed by VEEB

_____ Volunteer Instructor Table Top

_____ Volunteer Instructor Assistant Table Top

Class 6, 10/7/2009: Shelter Introduction and Part II Table Top Exercise

Volunteers will teach this class

_____ Volunteer Instructor- Sheltering and Organization

_____ Volunteer Instructor Assistant

Class 7, 10/14/2009: Disaster Medical Operations II

2 VEEB instructors will teach this class

Volunteers will assist with hands on exercise

_____ Volunteer Instructor Assistant

Class 8, 10/21/2009: Outreach and Education, Radio Operation, Graduation, and Meet the TULs.

Bob B Graduation

Debbie B Outreach and Education

Rob Yenis Volunteer Instructor Radio

Local Area TULs, DTULs and Other VIP's