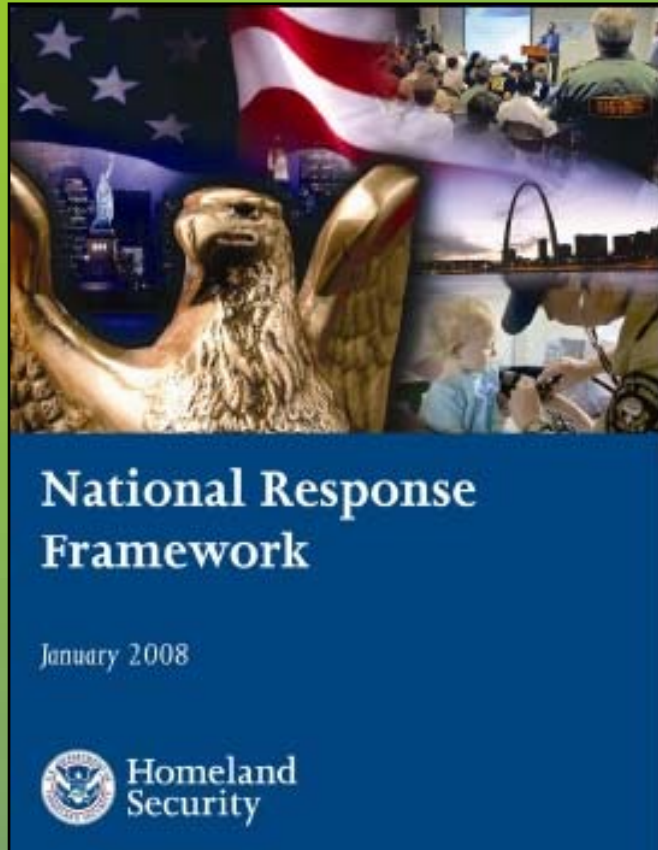




NATIONAL RESPONSE FRAMEWORK



A Brief Overview of the NRF and NIMS

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NRF

- What is it?

A guide to how the Nation conducts all-hazards response.

It describes specific authorities and best practices for managing incidents.



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What is the Mission of the NRF?

- Save Lives
- Protect Property
- Maintain Continuity of Operations



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- Where did it come from?

Sprang from the *National Response Plan* - 2004

Succeeded the *Federal Response Plan* - 1992

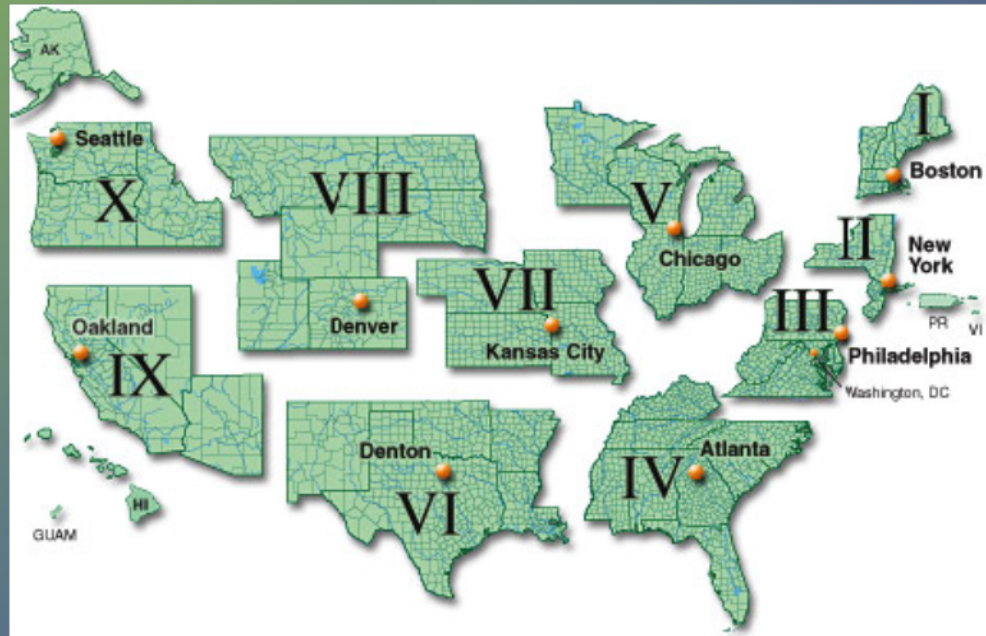


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- Who is in charge of it?

The Secretary of DHS is the principal federal official for domestic incident management.



FEMA Regions



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- Who will use it?

The NRF informs emergency management practitioners, explaining the operating structures and tools used routinely by first responders and emergency managers at all levels of government.

Within the NRF, the public sector, private sector, and NGOs all have a role.



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- Key concepts
 1. Engaged partnership.
 2. Tiered response (manage from the lowest level).
 3. Flexible and adaptable operational capabilities.
 4. Unity of effort through unified command.
 5. Readiness to act.



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- Preparedness...

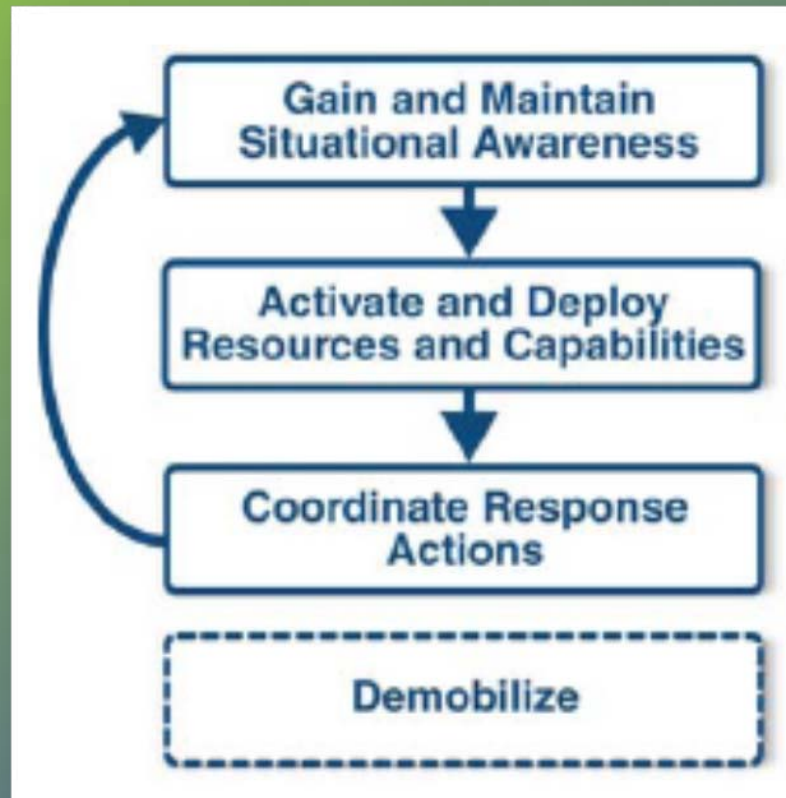




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NRF

- Response...





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Emergency Support Functions

- *Roles & Sharing Responsibilities*

- ESF #1 Transportation
- ESF #2 Communications
- ESF #3 Public Works and Engineering
- ESF #4 Firefighting
- ESF #5 Emergency Management
- ESF #6 Mass Care, Emergency Assistance, Housing, and Human Services
- ESF #7 Logistics Management and Resource Support
- ESF #8 Public Health and Medical Services
- ESF #9 Search and Rescue
- ESF #10 Oil and Hazardous Materials Response
- ESF #11 Agriculture and Natural Resources
- ESF #12 Energy
- ESF #13 Public Safety and Security
- ESF #14 Long-Term Community Recovery
- ESF #15 External Affairs



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ESF #2 Communications

- What is it?

Trained, Federal inter-agency team composed of technical and administrative emergency response experts who are capable of managing all aspects of communications requirements arising in the field.

Stands ready for deployment when FEMA gives the ESF #2 activation order.



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ESF #2 Communications



- How is it organized?

NCS is the Coordinator for ESF #2; it acts under delegated authority from the White House

FEMA also has a leadership role

PRIVATE - NCS team focuses on privately owned / corporate communications infrastructure

PUBLIC - FEMA team takes care of government and public safety communications.



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ESF #2 Communications

- What does it do?
 - Supports the restoration of the communications infrastructure,
 - Facilitates the recovery of systems
 - Coordinates Federal communications support to response efforts during incidents requiring a coordinated Federal response.







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ESF #2 Communications

- What else does it do?

.....It provides communications support to federal, state, and local governments and first responders, when their systems have been impacted, and provides communications and IT support to the JFO and JFO field teams.

--This is where *Amateur Radio Operator assistance* could be implemented....



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- Amateur Radio Emergency Communications

Homeland Security Presidential Directive/HSPD-5 (2003)



(7) The Federal Government recognizes the role that the private and nongovernmental sectors play in preventing, preparing for, responding to, and recovering from terrorist attacks, major disasters, and other emergencies. The Secretary will **coordinate** with the private and nongovernmental sectors to ensure adequate planning, equipment, **training**, and exercise activities and to **promote partnerships to address incident management capabilities**.

incident management?



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National Incident Management System

NIMS

- **The United States' first standardized management approach that unifies federal, state, and local lines of government for incident response.**

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National Incident Management System

NIMS – Why does it exist?

- To prepare for, respond to, and recover from, terrorist attacks, major disasters, and other emergencies.
- It's a single, comprehensive approach to domestic incident management.
- NIMS represents a core set of doctrine, concepts, principles, terminology, and organizational processes to enable effective, efficient, and collaborative incident management at all levels.



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National Incident Management System

Key features of NIMS:

- **Incident Command System**
- **Communications and Information Management**
(standardization and interoperability)
- **Preparedness**
- **Joint Information System**
(speaking to the public with one voice)



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National Incident Management System



PERSONEL ARE CERTIFIED THROUGH CLASSROOM OR ONLINE INSTRUCTION

ICS/NIMS Training Pyramid

Learning Objectives

- Area Command Functions
- Multi-Agency Coordination
- Leadership

- Tactical Level Management

- Crew Supervision
- Initial Management

Basic
Awareness

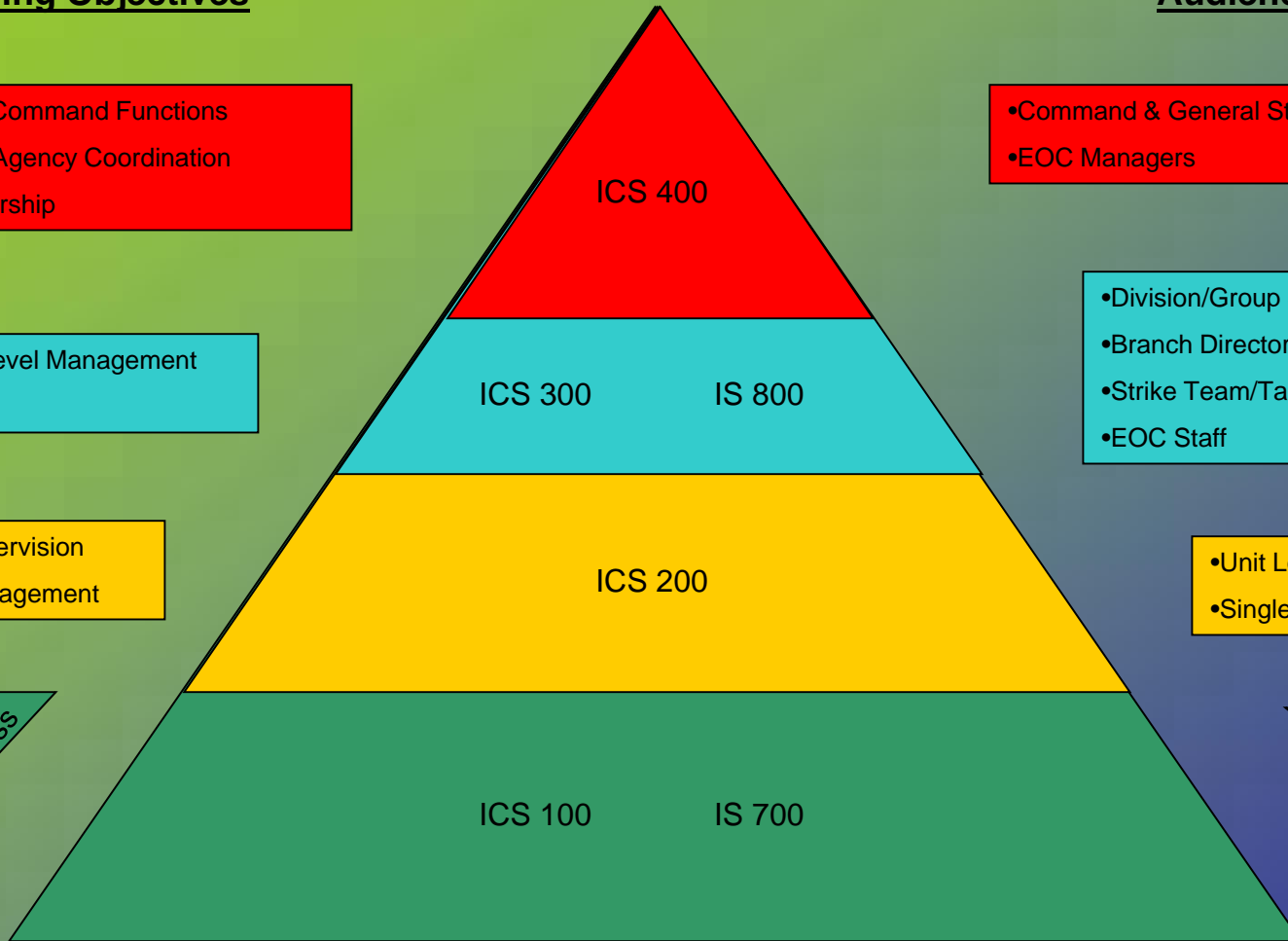
Audience

- Command & General Staff
- EOC Managers

- Division/Group Supervisors
- Branch Directors
- Strike Team/Task Force Leaders
- EOC Staff

- Unit Leaders
- Single Resource Leaders

Responders





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- **IS-100** introduction the Incident Command Structure
 - This is the management system that is to be used to manage any large scale incidents.
- **IS-700** is a NIMS Introduction
 - Intro to the *National Incident Management System*





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Myths & Facts

- Adoption of NIMS **is** “a requirement, to the extent permitted by law, for providing Federal preparedness assistance through grants, contracts, or other activities”
- Adoption of NIMS is **NOT** required of auxiliary emergency radio operators who want to serve during a disaster



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Myths & Facts

- Organizations that received federal funding are required to have their leadership take NIMS
- All 50 states are REQUIRING it for Public Safety personnel
- RACES officials at the state level are mandated to have it as states receive federal funding
- ARC and SA offer classes and encourage volunteers
- ARRL (ARES) officially “recommends” NIMS
- DHS/FEMA officially recommends “emergency teams” train and use NIMS

Preparedness Activities for Resource Management
- Resource Typing
- Credentialing





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Who Should be NIMS Compliant in NY?

“...agencies beyond the traditional Fire, HAZMAT, Police, EMS to include public works, public health, **emergency communications**, emergency management, and other agencies involved in disaster preparedness, prevention, response and recovery activities.



Bureau of EMS Policy Statement
Policy Statement # 06-05
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