

Ohio Community Emergency Response Team

Training Recognition Program

The CERT Training Recognition Program has been established to recognize CERT volunteers that have dedicated additional time to learn more about how they can prepare themselves or assist during an emergency or disaster.

CERT volunteers will be recognized at 3 levels as they complete their training - Basic CERT, Intermediate CERT and Advanced CERT. These levels must be completed in succession. CERT volunteers that complete the Basic CERT Course will be recognized by receiving a certificate from the local jurisdiction that sponsored the course. Those that complete the curriculum outlined for the Intermediate CERT will receive a certificate from the Ohio Emergency Management Agency. CERT Volunteers that complete the curriculum outlined for the Advanced CERT will receive a certificate from the Ohio Emergency Management Agency **and** an Ohio CERT Challenge Coin.

CERT – Basic

20 Hour Basic CERT Course – Certificate issued locally.

CERT – Intermediate

Required Courses

- IS 22 – Are You Ready? An In-depth Guide to Emergency Preparedness
- IS 100 – Introduction to Incident Command
- IS 559 – Protecting Your Home or Small Business from Disaster
- IS 700 – National Incident Management System
- IS 288 – Role of Volunteer Organizations in Emergency Management
- CPR/AED

Elective Courses (Must take a minimum of 5)

- IS 29 – Public Information Officer Awareness
- IS 55 – Household Hazardous Materials – A Guide for Citizens
- IS 101 – Deployment Basics
- Advanced First Aid
- CERT Animal Response Module I and II
- Damage Assessment
- Hazardous Materials Awareness
- NASAR Introduction to Search and Rescue
- NASAR Fundamentals of Search and Rescue
- Psychological First Aid
- Shelter Operations/Management

- Volunteer Reception Center
- Weather Spotter/Skywarn

CERT – Advanced

Required Courses

- CERT Train the Trainer or CERT Program Manager
- IS 101.x – Deployment Basics
- IS 200 – Basic Incident Command
- IS 240 – Leadership and Influence
- IS 241 – Decision Making and Problem Solving
- IS 242 – Effective Communication
- IS 244 – Developing and Managing Volunteers

Elective Courses – Electives taken to achieve Intermediate CERT Certificate cannot be used to obtain Advanced CERT Certificate. (Must take a minimum of 5)

- IS 120 – Introduction to Exercise
- G 146 – Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program
- G 191 – Incident Command System/Emergency Operations Center Interface
- G 202 – Debris Management
- G or IS 230 – Fundamentals of Emergency Management
- G or IS 235 – Emergency Planning
- G or IS 265 – Basic Instructional Skills
- G or IS 271 – Hazardous Weather and Flood Preparedness
- G 288 – Local Volunteer and Donations Management
- G 290 – Basic Public Information Officers
- G 361 – Flood Fight Operations
- G 386 – Mass Fatalities
- IS 703 – NIMS Resource Management
- G or IS 775 – EOC Management and Operations
- Q 890 – Introduction to Emergency Response to Terrorism
- Advanced First Aid
- CERT Animal Response Module I and II
- Hazardous Materials Awareness
- NASAR Introduction to Search and Rescue
- NASAR Fundamentals of Search and Rescue
- NASAR Advanced Search and Rescue
- Psychological First Aid
- Shelter Operations/Management
- Volunteer Reception Center

- Weather Spotter/Skywarn
- Wilderness First Aid

*Completion of the following courses from the Advanced CERT Curriculum will also earn the CERT volunteer the Professional Development Series Certificate from FEMA's Emergency Management Institute.

- IS 120 – Introduction to Exercises
- IS 230 – Fundamentals of Emergency Management
- IS 235 – Emergency Planning
- IS 240 – Leadership and Influence
- IS 241 – Decision Making and Problem Solving
- IS 242 – Effective Communication
- IS 244 – Developing and Managing Volunteers

* Courses starting with IS are FEMA Independent Study courses and can be found at <http://training.fema.gov/IS/>.

* Courses starting with G and classroom based courses that are periodically available through the Ohio Emergency Management Agency or County Emergency Management Agencies. Course information can be found at <http://coursemill.ema.state.oh.us/CourseCalendar/Courses.aspx>.

* The Course Q 890 – Introduction to Emergency Response to Terrorism is offered by U.S. Fire Administration and is available at www.usfa.fema.gov/nfa/nfaonline/browse/terrorism.shtm.

Submission Information

The CERT Sponsoring Organization Point of Contact or local CERT Program Manager may mail completed forms to Ohio Emergency Management Agency, c/o Readiness & Response Branch, 2855 W. Dublin-Granville Road, Columbus, Ohio 43235 or email it to ohiocitizencorps@dps.state.oh.us. Submissions will be accepted each quarter with the submission of the Ohio Citizen Corps Quarterly Report.