COURSE BROCHURE

# Incident Command System

A hands-on program that explains the structure, functions and planning cycle of the Incident Command System and trains participants to build an incident action plan, manage resources and work in unified command.

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| Code | HT-CRM-112 |
| Category | Crisis & Emergency Management |
| Duration | 1 week |
| Level | Intermediate |

## Introduction

When several agencies respond to one incident without a shared language and a clear structure, orders conflict and resources are wasted. The Incident Command System offers a single framework that works for a small incident handled by one crew and for a large one involving many organizations.

## Objectives

- Explain ICS principles such as common terminology, span of control and management by objectives
- Define the responsibilities of the Incident Commander, Command Staff and Section Chiefs
- Apply the planning cycle to produce an incident action plan for an operational period
- Manage incident resources and facilities from check-in to demobilization
- Operate within unified command and coordinate with the emergency operations center

## Who should attend

- Civil defense, ambulance and security service officers and personnel
- Emergency coordinators at industrial facilities, airports and ports
- Staff of emergency operations centers in government entities and municipalities
- HSE supervisors and response team members

## Skills you will develop

- Building and expanding an incident organization
- Writing incident objectives and action plans
- Tracking and managing incident resources
- Delivering operational period briefings and transferring command

## Learning Outcomes

- Draw an ICS organization suited to a given incident while respecting span of control
- Complete forms ICS 201, 202, 203, 204, 205 and 206 for a training scenario
- Run a tactics meeting and a planning meeting and deliver an operational briefing
- Prepare a demobilization plan and document the incident for later review

## Course Outline

### Day 1: ICS Principles and Management Characteristics

- Origins of the system and its use for all hazards and incident sizes
- Management characteristics: common terminology, modular organization, span of control, chain of command and unity of command
- Incident typing by complexity and the initial size-up

### Day 2: Organization and Roles

- Incident Commander and Command Staff: Public Information Officer, Safety Officer and Liaison Officer
- General Staff sections and their units: Operations, Planning, Logistics, Finance and Administration
- Branches, divisions, groups, task forces and strike teams

### Day 3: The Planning Cycle and the Incident Action Plan

- Stages of the Planning P from the initial briefing to the operational period briefing
- Writing incident objectives and running the tactics and planning meetings
- ICS forms and their use: 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206 and 214

### Day 4: Resources, Facilities and Unified Command

- Resource typing, check-in and status tracking: assigned, available and out of service
- Incident facilities: incident command post, staging area, base, camp and helibase
- Unified command, area command and the interface with the emergency operations center

### Day 5: Expansion, Demobilization and Final Exercise

- Transfer of command as the incident expands and the handover briefing
- Demobilization, documentation and the after-action review
- Applied exercise: run a full operational period for an escalating incident, produce the action plan and deliver the briefing

## Training methodology

Form-completion exercises with ICS forms on an escalating scenario
Simulated planning cycle meetings with rotating command roles
Resource tracking boards and site maps in group work
Final full operational period exercise followed by a joint evaluation

## Certification

Participants receive a Harbor Training Center certificate of attendance on completing the course.

## Upcoming dates

| City | Dates | Language | Fee |
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| Istanbul | 22 – 26 March 2027 | AR | EUR 4,800 |
| Dubai | 5 – 9 April 2027 | EN | EUR 4,500 |
| London | 12 – 16 April 2027 | AR | EUR 5,700 |
| Amsterdam | 19 – 23 April 2027 | EN | EUR 5,500 |
| Online | 26 – 30 April 2027 | AR | EUR 1,800 |
| Istanbul | 27 September 2027 – 1 October 2027 | EN | EUR 4,800 |
| Dubai | 4 – 8 October 2027 | AR | EUR 4,500 |
| London | 11 – 15 October 2027 | EN | EUR 5,700 |
| Amsterdam | 18 – 22 October 2027 | AR | EUR 5,500 |
| Online | 25 – 29 October 2027 | EN | EUR 1,800 |

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