



**COSTA MESA FIRE & RESCUE  
COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM  
2023 ADVANCED TRAINING INFORMATION**



You may begin any of the courses at any level at any time. Provide coordinator with documentation as you complete training courses. Keep all certifications for your records. Level changes on ID cards will be made in November.

A member in good standing with current Level identification and has participated during the current calendar may be eligible to respond in a disaster upon activation by the City of Costa Mesa and/or representatives from law, fire or emergency management. No self deployment or activation is allowed.

**CERT Level 1 - BASIC**

*Requirements:* Basic 20-hour FEMA model CERT program  
AND

- Incident Command System (**IS100c**) (**online** September new 2018 release)
- National Incident Management System (NIMS **IS700b**) (**online** courses- see enrollment information on page 2). These Independent Study (**IS**) courses can be completed **online**. CERT ID card, helmet and vest will be provided at proof of completion.
- **Attend 6 monthly meetings or Annual Refresher**

**CERT Level 2 - INTERMEDIATE**

*Requirements:* All of CERT Basic and completion of the free American Red Cross courses:

- **Shelter Fundamentals & Shelter Simulation AND**
- Completion of a certified CPR and Basic First Aid Course AND

**Register for Shelter Courses at American Red Cross Orange County Chapter - 714-481-5300 or see [www.redcross.org/ca/orange-county](http://www.redcross.org/ca/orange-county)**

**Any certified CPR or First Aid program will be accepted after review by the coordinator to meet the requirements.**

- **Attend 6 monthly meetings or Annual Refresher**

**CERT Level 3 - ADVANCED**

*Requirements:* All CERT Basic and Intermediate courses. **Select 5 CMFD or CMPD hosted courses (offered based on availability of staff):**

**FREE online courses:**

- Introduction to Hazardous Materials -Independent Study Course #IS-5
- CERT Incident Command System –Independent Study Course # IS315.
- \*See information below for details on how to complete these courses through web-based program.
- IS 26 – Points of Distribution (PODS)
- Volunteer Care – May Annual Monthly meeting

OR In- Person Trainings

- CERT Animal Response I and II
- CERT Emergency Communications Module
- CERT Tools for Leadership Success Module
- Flood Response for CERT
- CERT Rehab
- Traffic Safety Management
- CERT Pandemic Response
- **Attend 6 monthly meetings or Annual Refresher**

## **ORANGE COUNTY MUTUAL AID CERT VOLUNTEER PROGRAM - CMAP**

*Requirements: all of Basic CERT Basic, a complete background check including fingerprints, and the following courses:*

- Mutual Aid Module – Local jurisdiction coordinator class or mutual aid training class in another city.
- Shelter Operations – American Red Cross (same courses as CERT Level II)
- IS 200b – Incident Command System – Field / Single Resource – **Online**
- CERT Incident Command System –Independent Study Course # IS315. Online
- Current CPR and First Aid Certification – must be renewed and current in subsequent years.
- **Attend 6 monthly meetings or Annual Refresher**

**\*Independent Study (IS) courses are designed for the adult learner and provide participants the ability to work at their own pace. Library sets of materials are available for check out from CERT Coordinator. There are no enrollment fees or charges. Apply online at <https://training.fema.gov/is/>**