



Greater Boston Police Council, Inc.

Simulation Based Training for Initial Responders

The GBPC provides National Incident Management System (NIMS) based Incident Command System (ICS) training to law enforcement, fire, emergency medical services and other municipal personnel through its specially trained and seasoned team of instructors.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

There is no time when a public safety executive is more severely tested or when their actions come under closer scrutiny than immediately after their community has experienced a critical incident. Situations such as **BARRICADED GUNMEN, HOSTAGE SITUATIONS, HAZARDOUS MATERIAL SPILLS, TRANSPORTATION DISASTERS, NATURAL DISASTERS, CIVIL DISORDERS, TERRORIST EVENT,** and other life-threatening situations require special organization skills and decision-making abilities. These skills are not only crucial to an acceptable outcome of the incident, but also to the executive's very survival and longevity.

This certified program (ODP Tracking# 050504-03R) is a combination of classroom instruction and practical hands-on scenarios utilizing simulation exercises, which offer the participant the opportunity to manage several types of critical incidents. Participants will work through a four phased "**Critical Incident, Event Activity Flow**"© that tracks; Event Characteristics, Agency Response, and Desired Outcomes for any incident.

The course utilizes the nationally recognized **Incident Command System (ICS)** to build an effective "Decision Making Team" to bring about a successful resolution to the event. Interaction through Unified Command with fire, emergency medical services as well as other units of government provide key decision makers with a framework in which to evaluate their community's readiness for a major incident. Pre-event planning utilizing the ICS model will also be developed and practiced.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

When the participant completes this course he/she will be able to:

- ✓ List the seven critical tasks to be accomplished during the initial phase of an incident.
- ✓ Utilize the critical tasks for incident resolution in various simulated exercise scenarios.

- ✓ Given the type of incident describe who by virtue of law, policy or situation is the key decision maker or "Incident Commander."
- ✓ Describe and practice in a simulated environment the shifting of the command structure as an incident progresses.
- ✓ Given a set of Incident Characteristics; describe the agency response, desired outcomes and the termination activities that would be engaged in.
- ✓ Utilize the Incident Command Structure as a tool for pre-planning events.
- ✓ Assess the strengths and weaknesses of their department's capability to respond to Critical Incidents of both short and long duration.
- ✓ Evaluate the application and feasibility of the Incident Command System to initiate and operationalize both a Field Command Post and (when appropriate) a pre-designated Emergency Operations Center (Command Post).

SUPPORT ACTIVITIES - The exercises will be conducted on a 96 square foot "Model City Simulator"©. This elaborate simulation system will be provided by the Greater Boston Police Council and transported to the training site. Use of the simulator provides a realistic environment required to provide participants with firsthand experience in managing a major incident.