



## TRAINING ANNOUNCEMENT

**COURSE TITLE:** Wide Area Search (PER-213)

**DATE:** June 20-23, 2023

**LOCATION:** Campbell County Fire Training Center  
10 Training Center Drive  
Highland Heights, KY

**TIME:** 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM each day

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

When disaster strikes, it can be a challenge to effectively mobilize, organize, and deploy resources needed to perform wide-area searches. This course is an excellent training opportunity for any jurisdiction or agency that may face such an emergency. The course content applies to a vast number of critical situations, including natural disasters or terrorist incidents.

You will be instructed in practical search methods and skills so you can perform systematic searches over a large affected area. The training will include challenging exercises that mirror real-life scenarios. The three-day-long event will conclude with an in-depth exercise that requires participants to utilize the skills gained during the course by working through an incident from start to finish in a single operational period.

The trainers delivering the course are knowledgeable—they have experienced emergency responders who have actively utilized wide-area search techniques during some of the nation's largest and most challenging operations, such as Hurricanes Katrina, Ike, Gustav, and Rita; the Space Shuttle Columbia recovery operation; and many other incidents that required the same comprehensive strategies.

**PARTICIPANT CRITERIA:**

The participant audience includes any agency that may respond to a major emergency, disaster, or event, including representatives from search and rescue, canine handlers, fire services, law enforcement, emergency medical services, emergency planning, public health, and hazardous materials response organizations are encouraged to attend.

**PREREQUISITE:**



Participants are expected to have successfully completed IS-100, IS-200, and IS-700. These courses can be found online at: <http://training.fema.gov/IS/NIMS.aspx>

**SPONSORSHIP:**

The Campbell County Office of Emergency Management and the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security are sponsors for this Course. Delivered by **National Emergency Response and Rescue Training Center (NERRTC), Texas Engineering Extension Service (TEEX)**, member of National Domestic Preparedness Consortium (NDPC).

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1) Course enrollment maximum is 40 participants.
- 2) There are no course fees.
- 3) **Pre-registration is required by June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023**
- 4) Register online at: <https://tinyurl.com/5n6hjmab>

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**TO APPLY FOR THIS COURSE**

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