



# CERT

## Train-the-Trainer Course

# Why become a CERT Trainer?

When emergencies happen, CERT members can give critical support to first responders, provide immediate assistance to victims, and organize spontaneous volunteers at a disaster site. This course trains the “trainer” to facilitate the basic CERT course.



### Basic CERT training includes:

- Personal and family preparedness
- Basic disaster preparedness
- Fire extinguisher training
- Household hazardous materials safety
- Utilities safety
- Medical first aid training
- Information on how you can assist Public Safety Agencies in emergencies
- Participation in a disaster Simulation

**The Train-the-Trainer course covers all of the topics in the basic CERT course and teaches you how to teach these topics to citizens.**

There are hands-on activities dealing with fire extinguishers, cribbing, first aid, and basic search and rescue. You learn how to set up and conduct the final exercise wherein students demonstrate proficiency in all course topics.

### Prerequisites:

- Students should complete the basic CERT course either by independent study online course (IS317) or classroom course (G-317) prior to the Train-the-Trainer course.
- IS 100, IS 200, IS 700, FEMA online courses, required before you teach your first class unit.
- Previous classroom training experience is helpful, but not required.
- Previous or current responsibilities in emergency management, law enforcement, fire service, EMS, or Health & Human Services is helpful, but not required.



Trainers will be qualified to teach the Basic Adult CERT course and the Teen CERT course. This course is held over a weekend and includes 14 hours of training.

### NEXT COURSE:

Fri, Jun 12 6:00-9:30pm • Sat, Jun 13, 8:30-5pm • Sun, Jun 14, 1-5pm



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