
UNIT 13: CERT BASIC TRAINING

UNIT 8 REVIEW

In this unit you will review the following information about *CERT Basic Training* Unit 8:

- **Unit Purpose**
- **Unit Objectives**
- **Key Points to Be Made in the Unit**
- **Training Videos Relevant to the Unit**
- **The Hands-on Activities in the Unit and How to Conduct Them Correctly**
- **How This Unit Connects to the Other Units**

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T-T-T UNIT OVERVIEW

This unit reviews the content and activities in *CERT Basic Training* Unit 8. It also looks at how Unit 8 connects to the other units in the *CERT Basic Training* course.

UNIT 8 PURPOSE

The purpose of *CERT Basic Training* Unit 8 is:

- To provide CERT members with some information about terrorism and terrorist weapons
- To discuss how CERT members should respond if a terrorist attack has occurred or may be imminent

UNIT 8 LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Unit 8 learning objectives are:

1. To define terrorism
2. To identify potential targets within the community
3. To identify CERT operating procedures for a terrorist incident
4. To describe the actions to take following a suspected terrorist incident

UNIT 8 KEY TOPICS

In this unit, the instructor needs to do the following:

- Give a brief overview of the unit and the material that will be covered
- Emphasize personal safety. As with HazMat, terrorist incidents are a stop sign.
- Keep the discussion simple
- Convey the message that it really doesn't matter what causes a disaster, the response will be the same

HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES IN UNIT 8

APPLYING CERT PRINCIPLES TO A SUSPECTED TERRORIST INCIDENT (*BASIC TRAINING IG PP. 8-32 TO 8-34*)

Purpose

To give the participants an opportunity to relate the Incident Command System (ICS) functions to specific situations to ensure that the participants can apply their CERT protocols to what they've learned about suspected terrorist incidents

Latitude to Adapt

Conduct the activity as it is written.

How to Do the Activity Correctly

The activity is self-explanatory.

TIPS FOR TEACHING UNIT 8

- Remember to keep the discussion simple. Avoid highly technical descriptions.
- If your community has a low risk for terrorism incidents, point out to participants that the information on terrorism is important for anyone who travels.
- If participants ask "what if" questions about scenarios that are extremely improbable, identify the improbabilities but answer any aspect of the question that might be realistic.

HOW UNIT 8 CONNECTS TO OTHER *CERT BASIC TRAINING* UNITS

Relate a terrorist attack to the scene of a hazardous materials incident discussed in Unit 2. Like a HazMat incident, a terrorist incident or the warning signs of an attack are a "stop sign" for CERTs.

T-T-T UNIT SUMMARY

This unit has provided information on *CERT Basic Training* Unit 8.