
Hurricane Landfall—The periods of time in which hurricane winds, rains, and storm tide present a danger to the general population as the storm approaches land and passes through the area.

Hurricane Warning—A hurricane is expected to hit land within 24 hours. Hurricane conditions are imminent, bringing: sustained winds of 74 miles per hour or higher, torrential rain fall which will cause flooding, storm surge, rising tidal sea levels of more than 10 feet above normal.

Hurricane Watch—A hurricane is possible within 36 hours. Stay tuned for additional advisories. Tune to local radio and television stations for additional information.

Incident—An incident is an occurrence, either caused by humans or natural phenomena, that requires response actions to prevent or minimize loss of life or damage to property and/or the environment.

Incident Action Plan—For the specific event, the response is coordinated and managed through one plan of action.

Incident Command—One of the five ICS management functions, the facility's Incident Commander is the single person in charge of the incident at the facility and initially fills all five command staff positions. As the incident grows the tasks covered by other sections can be delegated, and those new positions take the title of Section Leader. The Incident Commander is responsible for all activity on the incident as well as creating the overall incident objectives.

Incident Commander—The most qualified staff member (in regard to the Incident Command System) on duty at the time will assume the Incident Commander position. Incident Commander shall educate leadership to the ICS, so that in the event of an emergency of significant magnitude, other Incident Command positions can be designated as needed. It may not be practical for all positions to be filled due to lack of positions at any given time, so some sections may be covered by the same individual.

Incident Command Post—An area designated where the Incident Commander, management team, as well as other staff members convene to review the situation and strategize the course of action.

Incident Command System (ICS)—A component of the federal National Incident Management System (NIMS), has become the standard for incident management within the United States. A management system with procedures for controlling personnel, facilities, equipment, and communications and is designed to be used from the time an incident occurs until the requirement for management and operations no longer exists.

Incident Management Sheet—Documents incidents and pertinent details surrounding the emergency situation, including employees who assume ICS functions during the incident.

Liaison Officer—Serves as the primary contact for supporting agencies assisting at an incident.

Logistics—One of the five ICS management functions, the facility's Logistics Leader is tasked with providing all resources, services, and support required by the incident, including: ordering, obtaining, and maintaining essential personnel, equipment, and supplies; providing communication planning and resources; setting up food services; setting up and maintaining incident facilities; providing transportation; providing medical services to incident personnel.

Minimize Exposure to Radiation by:

Distance—The more distance between you and the source of the radiation, the better. This could be evacuation or remaining indoors to minimize exposure.

Shielding—The more heavy, dense material between you and the source of the radiation, the better.

Time—Most radioactivity loses its strength fairly quickly.