

Sign Me Up

To Become a member of CERT you must be at least 18 years of age.

If you want to volunteer your services and become trained to protect yourself, your families and your community from disaster; natural or man-made

— Become a Salem County CERT member.

Call (856)769-2900 ext. 4118 and provide the following information.

- Name
- Date of Birth
- Address
- Email Address

You may also email the information to bsmith@salemcountynj.gov

Registration should be received by Thursday, June 30

CERT training in New Jersey is sponsored by:

- NJ Office of the Attorney General
Department of Law and Public Safety
 - NJ State Police Office of Emergency Mgmt.
- NJ Department of Personnel
- NJ Department of State
- Governor's Office of Volunteerism
- County Offices of Emergency Management
- New Jersey State Citizen Corps Council

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) is a component of CitizenCorps, an initiative of USA Freedom Corps.



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Neighbor Helping Neighbor

Summer 2011 Basic Class Information

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CERT Training Will Teach Participants to:

- Describe the types of hazards most likely to affect their homes and communities
- Describe the function of CERT and their roles in immediate response
- Take steps to prepare themselves for disaster
- Identify and reduce potential fire hazards in their homes and workplaces
- Work as a team to apply basic fire suppression strategies, resources, and safety measures to extinguish a burning liquid
- Apply techniques for opening airways, controlling bleeding, and treating shock
- Conduct triage under simulated conditions
- Perform head-to-toe assessments
- Select and set up a treatment area
- Employ basic treatments for various wounds
- Identify planning and size-up requirements for potential search and rescue situations
- Describe the most common techniques for searching a structure
- Use safe techniques for debris removal and victim extrication

CERT has something for everyone to do. Individuals with physical limitations are encouraged to participate. While class attendance is required, students are NOT required to complete a physical skill to receive course completion certificates. Please contact the Salem County CERT program coordinator to discuss how you can participate in our team regardless of personal limitations.

Course Overview

The CERT training consists of 20 hours of instruction over a six-week period. Classes are taught by emergency responders, including firefighters, emergency medical and law enforcement personnel from your community. The course includes the following:

Disaster Preparedness/Disaster Psychology

Introduction to disasters specific to the community, and the impact of disaster on infrastructure. The post-disaster emotional environment will be discussed.

Disaster Fire Suppression

Identifying and reducing potential fire hazards and basic fire suppression

Disaster Medical Operations

Treatment strategies for life-threatening conditions and principles of triage. Head-to-toe patient assessment and treatment for various injuries

Terrorism/Cert Organization/Review

A brief overview of terrorism weapons; Identifying targets in an area and discussing time/distance/shielding. CERT organization, decision making and documentation

Light Search & Rescue Operations

Techniques for sizing up and searching, lifting, cribbing and removing victims; rescue safety

Final Exercise and Graduation

Disaster Simulation realistic to your community

Dates and Locations

Session/Date

1. 7/11
2. 7/18
3. 7/25
4. 8/1
5. 8/8
6. 8/15

Class times are 9 a.m. or 6:30 p.m. Students may alternate sessions each week in order to accommodate your personal schedules. Classes last approximately 3 hours.

The first class will be held at the Salem County Department of Emergency Services, 135 Cemetery Road, Woodstown. Remaining classes will be held at FIRE and EMS departments in the county. Final locations will be included in your class confirmation.

Session 6 is the final practical exercise and graduation beginning at 6 p.m.. Refreshments will be provided during a brief graduation celebration.

Cost

There is NO CHARGE for participation in the CERT Program. Student manuals and equipment are provided through the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management