

## **Incident Command System Course Announcement:**

1. An ICS 300 course has been scheduled for the weekend of February 3-5 2012 at USCG Station New York on Staten Island. This class will run from 1800-2100 on Friday 3 February, from 0900-1700 on Saturday 4 February and from 0900-1700 on Sunday 5 February.

2. ICS-300 Intermediate ICS expands Basic ICS and is designed for personnel who will be assigned to key Emergency Operations Center and Incident Command Post roles and for those assigned to ICS supervisory positions. It provides description and detail of the organization and operation of ICS, management of resources, describes the duties of all positions and provides examples of how the essential principles are used in incident and event planning. It includes role playing exercises for each step of the planning and briefing process. The Coast Guard version of this course is process based and will require the students to work from initial response through one full planning cycle. Prerequisite is ICS-200 and Is-800. The first 5 units of ICS 300 comprise ICS 210. Members wishing to take 210 may attend for those units only and receive credit and a certificate for 210.

3. All ICS courses are now processed by the Coast Guard's Training Quota Management Center (TQC). All ICS classes must be requested 2-3 months in advance, and rosters must be submitted 4-6 weeks in advance. Once the rosters are submitted, electronic training requests (ETRs) must be submitted for each student in Direct Access. These classes are considered "C" schools, and all regulations regarding attendance and dropping classes apply.

4. The Coast Guard is in the process of transitioning to the new ICS 300a course, which will replace ICS 300 (300 will still "count"). As ICS 300a is a 4 and a half day class, there will not be many more opportunities to take a 300 level class on a weekend.

5. Members wishing to register for this class are directed to email lead instructor Donna Cole at [donnamcole.uscgaux@verizon.net](mailto:donnamcole.uscgaux@verizon.net) **no later than close of business (1700) on 7 January** to be included in the initial roster for this class. Include in the email full name, flotilla number and emplid. Members who wish to take 210 only must indicate that in the email, as 210 is not supported by TQC, so separate arrangements have to be made for those members.