

The background of the slide is a photograph of firefighters in full gear working at a fire scene. They are silhouetted against a large, intense fire that fills the upper half of the frame. One firefighter in the foreground is holding a hose, and another is visible to the right. The scene is lit with the warm, orange glow of the fire.

Spokane FIRE DEPARTMENT

NIMS Overview

Serving Spokane Since 1884

Homeland Security Presidential Directives (HSPDs)

HSPD-5

Management of Domestic Incidents

HSPD-8

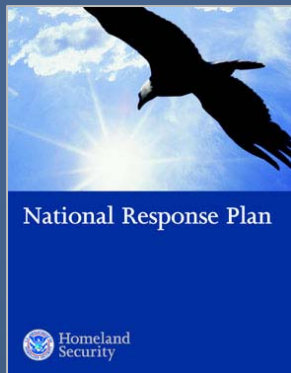
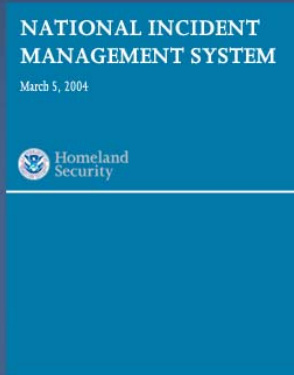
National Preparedness

Mandates

- **National Preparedness Goal**
- **National Incident Management System (NIMS)**
- **National Response Plan (NRP)**



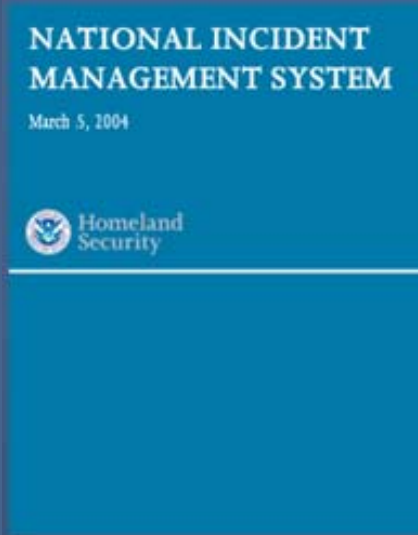
NIMS & NRP



- **NIMS:** Standardizes incident management processes, protocols, and procedures for use by all responders. Mandates use of ICS.
- **NRP:** Establishes . . .
 - Federal coordination structures/mechanisms.
 - Direction for incorporation of existing plans.
 - Consistent approach to managing incidents.



NIMS Components & ICS



Command and Management

Preparedness

Resource Management

Communications and Information Management

Supporting Technologies

Ongoing Management and Maintenance

Incident Command System

Multiagency Coordination Systems

Public Information Systems

Additional Information: www.fema.gov/NIMS

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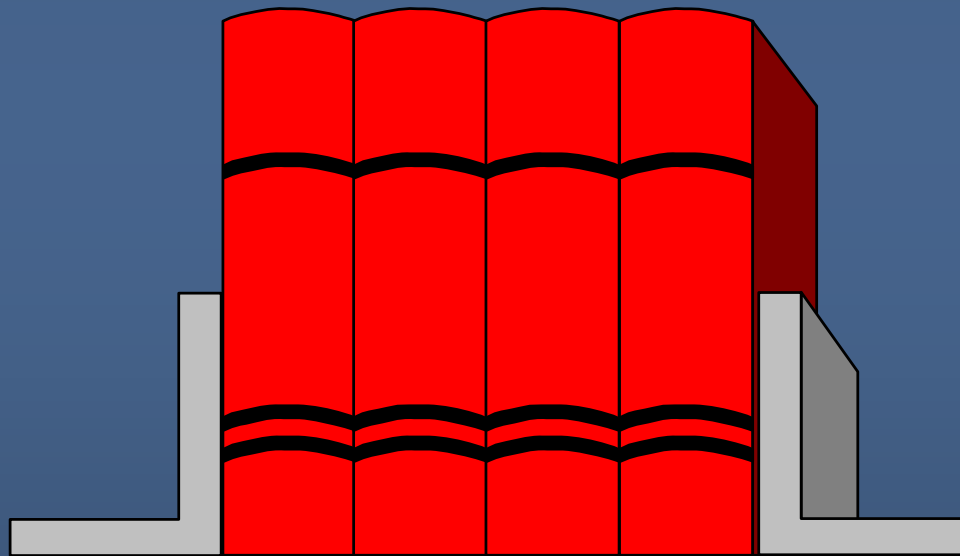
Spokane's Daily Experience...

***Incident
Command
System***

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Review of Laws Pertaining to ICS



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Laws that Require ICS Use

Federal laws:

Haz Mat incidents - by SARA (OSHA - EPA)

State laws: ICS Defined in RCW 38.52.010

RCW 38.52.030: ICS required for multi-agency/ jurisdiction incidents

RCW 38.52.070 Local plans must specify ICS for multi-agency/ jurisdiction incidents

RCW 38.52.400 Search and Rescue Activities must use ICS for multi-agency/ jurisdiction incidents.

L&I Safety Standards for FF's - must use on all emergency incidents.



Incident Response

PD & FD respond to numerous incidents

Regularly support/ interact with each other

Have an agreed/mandated operational system for major incidents (ICS)

Part of a bigger, integrated system for community disasters – DEM/Disaster Plan



ICS Benefits

- Meets the needs of incidents of any kind or size.
- Allows personnel from a variety of agencies to meld rapidly into a common management structure.
- Provides logistical and administrative support to operational staff.
- Is cost effective by avoiding duplication of efforts.



ICS is a management tool that can be used:

In large or small incidents

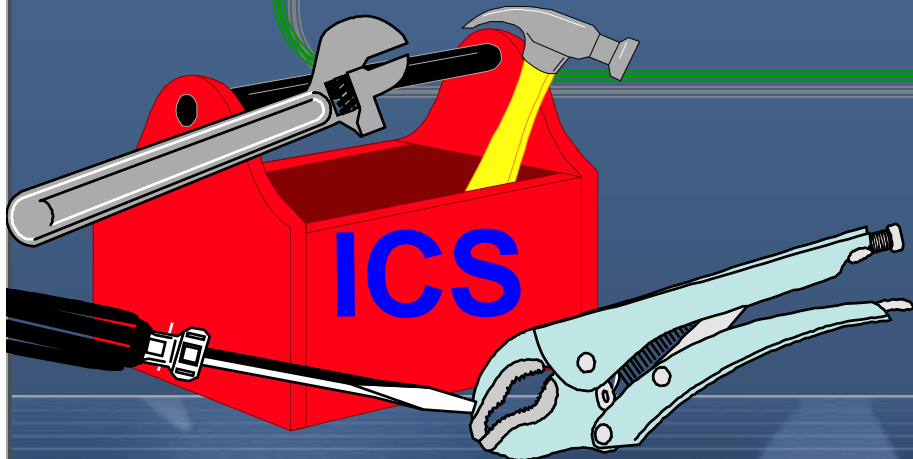
With one or more agency.....In

- Emergencies
- Planned events (e.g. sporting events, concerts)
- Unplanned events (e.g. earthquakes)



Incident Command System

ICS is a management system that applies common business practices to incident response.



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ICS uses: Basic business management principles

Planning

Directing

Organizing

Coordinating

Communicating

Evaluating

Delegating



ICS Concepts and Principles

Common Terminology

Modular organization

Integrated communications

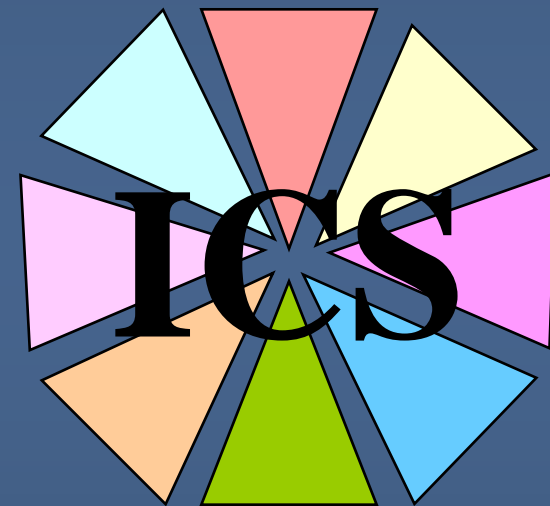
A unified command structure

Consolidated action plans

A manageable span of control

Designated incident facilities

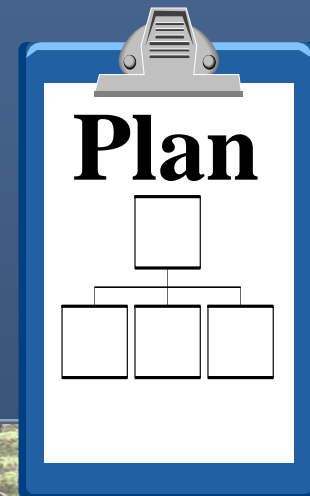
Comprehensive resource management



Components of A Good Incident Management System

Integrated Communications

Involves managing communication through:
A common communications plan
Two-way communications



NIMS... ICS.... Alphabet Stuff...

A formalized system:

**Lends
consistency**

**Fosters
efficiency**

**Provides
direction**



Questions ?

