



2021 Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Academy

CERT is an organization of volunteer emergency workers who have received specific training in basic disaster response skills with the intent of supplementing existing emergency responders in the event of a major disaster or utilizing their skills to assist family members and neighbors.

Following a major disaster, local Fire, Police, City, and other first responders may not be able to meet the demand for their services. Residents and visitors to our community may need to rely on each other for help in order to meet their immediate life sustaining needs.

The Northshore Emergency Management Coalition (NEMCo) CERT program will educate participants about local hazards, basic disaster preparedness, and provide hands on training that includes fire safety, light search and rescue, and disaster medical operations. After completing the CERT academy, volunteers will have the opportunity to participate in additional drills and exercises to keep their skills sharp and continue to enhance their knowledge and abilities.

What to expect at our hybrid CERT class?

Usually we teach CERT in 3-hour sessions spread out over 8 weeks ending in a large disaster simulation. With current COVID restrictions, we have adapted the training to 2-hour online live instruction and a single one-day (3 hour) hands on skill session. Graduates from this class will have the opportunity to participate in a disaster simulation at a later date. The hands on portion of the class is not a requirement of completion, but it does enhance the training dramatically.



Classes will begin on Monday March 8 at 6:30PM - 8:30PM and will continue each Monday for 8 weeks. Our in person hands on training day will be Saturday April 24 from 9AM – 12PM at the Northshore Fire Department at Station 51 (Kenmore). There is no fee for this class however; it will fill up quickly so please register soon.

For more information or to register contact the program manager Carl Lunak at (425) 354-1744 or clunak@northshorefire.com.

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March 2021 CERT Academy Registration Form

The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Academy is designed to educate community members about disaster preparedness and train them in basic disaster response skills such as fire safety, light urban search and rescue, team organization, disaster medical operations and other related safety areas. By taking this course, you will better prepare yourself to stay safe and help others during a disaster. This course does NOT authorize you to respond to any incident on behalf of any response agency.

This CERT course is 19 hours of instruction, 16 hours online and one in person 3-hour skills session. To become a certified CERT graduate, there is a minimum required attendance. Classes are scheduled for Monday nights beginning **Monday, March 8th 6:30PM – 8:30PM** live online via Zoom eight weeks in a row with a special hands on training **Saturday, April 24th 9AM – 12PM** at Northshore Fire Department at Station 51 in Kenmore.

To register, applicants must be at least 13 years of age with parental consent. Classes are limited in size and are filled on a first-registered, first-served basis. Registration will be confirmed after NEMCo receives this form. There is no cost for this hybrid CERT class.

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| Name: | Mailing Address: |
| Preferred name if different: | |
| Primary Phone: | Email: |
| Any physical limitations or necessary accommodations you would like us to be aware of? | |

Please return this form via email or mail to: clunak@northshorefire.com

**Northshore Fire Department
c/o NEMCo
7220 NE 181st St.
Kenmore, WA 98028**

For office use only:

Date Received _____ Paid _____ Approved _____ Date Attending _____
Waiting List _____ Date Confirmation Sent _____ Received safety kit _____

CERT ACADEMY

RELEASE OF LIABILITY

Please print

Participant Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

I declare that I have no physical restrictions or serious health problems that would prevent my participation in CERT Academy training. I understand that there is risk involved in some of the training.

In consideration for permission to participate in this training, I hereby release Northshore Emergency Management Coalition (NEMCo), NEMCo member cities and agencies, and other training partners, their agents and employees, from all actions, causes of action, damages, claims, or demands which I, my heirs, executors, administrators, or assigns may have for all personal injuries known and unknown which I may incur by participating in CERT training. If signing on behalf of a minor, I understand that I may not release any claims the minor may have.

I agree to follow the rules established by the instructors and to exercise reasonable care while participating in the CERT training. If asked to do something beyond my ability I will notify the instructor of my need for accommodation.

I have read this release and understand all of its terms. My signature is voluntary and I fully realize its significance.

Signature of participant: _____ Date: _____

Signature of parent: _____ Date: _____

(if participant is under 18 years of age)