



COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM - **CERT**

CITY OF SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO CERT COURSE SCHEDULE

<p>Session 1 – Disaster Preparedness (09/09/09) Introduction Impact of Disasters The role of CERT in Disaster Response</p>	<p>CERT is an opportunity for residents and members of the business community to learn basic skills to save lives and protect property, in the aftermath of a major disaster, when emergency services are not immediately available.</p>
<p>Session 2 – Disaster Fire Suppression (09/16/09) Fire Chemistry Fire Extinguisher Use Firefighting Resources Firefighting Techniques</p>	<p>The primary goal is to train you to take care of -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Yourself ✓ Your Family ✓ Your Neighborhood / Business
<p>Session 3 – Disaster Medical Operations (Part 1) (09/23/09) Treatment for life-threatening Conditions Principles of Triage</p>	<p>The City of San Juan Capistrano’s “FREE” CERT program was developed because of the need for a well-trained civilian emergency work force. When an individual has met the needs of his/her immediate family, then he/she is available to assist the City by responding during disaster situations where the number and scope of incidents have overwhelmed the conventional emergency services.</p>
<p>Session 4 – Disaster Medical Operations (Part 2) (09/30/09) Head-to-Toe Assessments Establishing Treatment Areas Recognizing and Treating Non-life Threatening Injuries</p>	<p>The training program provides for community self-sufficiency through the development of multi-functional response teams who will act as an adjunct to the City’s emergency services during major disasters. Through this unique program, people from community organizations, business and industry, and city employee groups will become members of CERT, or perform as individual leaders by directing untrained volunteers in the initial phase of an emergency.</p>
<p>Session 5 – Light Search & Rescue Operations (10/07/09) Evacuation Search Techniques Rescue Methods</p>	<p>By encouraging preparedness efforts and hazard mitigation, the effects of a disaster can be minimized considerably, as well as facilitate recovery. The benefits of this program are numerous. It will increase our overall level of disaster readiness, provide emergency skills that people may use in day to day emergencies, enhance the bond between government and community, increase community spirit, and improve the quality of life for the people of our City.</p>
<p>Session 6 – Disaster Psychology, Team Operations and Terrorism (10/14/09) The Post-disaster Emotional Environment CERT Organization Terrorism</p>	<p>The CERT members receive about 20 hours of initial training (one day a week for 7 weeks). The San Juan Capistrano CERT program was started in 2003.</p>
<p>Session 7 – Course Review and Disaster Simulation (10/17/09) Earthquake Simulation Drill</p>	<p>FOR REGISTRATION AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Contact Michael Cantor, Emergency Services Coordinator at 949.234.4565 or mcantor@sanjuancapistrano.org.</p>
<p>CLASS SCHEDULE: Sessions 1 through 6 are on six consecutive Wednesday nights, 6:30PM-9:00PM beginning on September 9, 2009 Session 7 is Saturday, October 17, 2009, 8AM-1PM.</p>	<p>For more information go to www.sanjuancapistrano.org/CERT</p>