Colorado Front Range Mine Rescue Team Idaho Springs, CO



Instructions for completing & documenting Incident Command System (ICS) training that is required to apply for an ICS compliant identification card, from the State of Colorado.

Why are we doing this? - The National Incident Management System (NIMS) requires that all responders have a basic level of training regarding incident command structure, and pass a basic criminal background check. NIMS also requires that responders to federally managed incidents, carry a Photo ID Card in a standard format that verifies completion of this basic training and background check. The ID will show membership in FRMR. The long term federal direction is for future cards to include individual qualifications, essentially becoming a national 'Red Card'.

I) FEMA Student ID Number

The first step is to obtain a free Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Student Identification Number. This is required for registration by most ICS Classes. Visit https://cdp.dhs.gov/FEMASID to obtain a student ID Number. This is a life long number, so keep track of it.

II) CO Train web site registration

The next step is to register on the State of Colorado, training web site. This site is your portal to free training opportunities, and maintains your training transcript. If you have completed ICS classes in the past, you can scan and upload those certificates for inclusion in your training transcript. The State of Colorado training web site is https://www.train.org/colorado/

When asked which (geographic) group to join; FRMR should choose "Colorado North Central Region", San Juan Mine Rescue members should choose "Colorado West". These are Colorado All Hazards Emergency Management (Homeland Security) Regions, with CO map available at https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/dhsem/homeland-security-coordinators

Your organization should be filled in as either: Colorado Front Range Mine Rescue Team, or San Juan Mine Rescue Team. Department / Division as 'Ops', short for Operations. Title as 'Mine Rescue Technician'. If you are a current member of another emergency response agency, it is acceptable to enter that information instead.

It is beneficial to launch on line classes through this CO Train site, so the site is able to keep track of your training. Should you desire to take additional ICS classes, this is a great resource for finding free on site classes in Colorado, and free on line classes too.

III) Minimum ICS training requirements

All FRMR members are required to complete the following two classes in order to complete the minimal training required to receive an ICS compliant ID card, and to attain MRT2. All three classes are offered for free online at CO Train. It should take about 8 hours, or less, to complete.

ICS-100: Introduction to ICS for Operational First Responders

Note: Any other ICS 100 class, completed in the past or on CO Train is acceptable to meet the ICS 100 requirement.

IS-700.a: Introduction to the National Incident Management System (NIMS)

Note: Any other ICS 700 class, completed in the past or on CO Train is acceptable to meet the ICS 700 requirement.

IV) Additional Suggested Training

The following training is strongly suggested. They are required to attain MRT1. These classes are also a few hours long, and available at CO Train IS-800 is expected by FEMA of all responders crossing state lines to attend a federally managed incident:

ICS-200. – Basic Incident Command System for Initial Response

Note: Any other ICS 200 class, completed in the past or on CO Train is acceptable to meet the ICS 200 requirement.

IS-800.D National Response Framework, An Introduction – CO Train Class 1011882

Note: Any other ICS 800 class, completed in the past or on CO Train is acceptable to meet the ICS 800 requirement.

V) Colorado Volunteer Mobilizer (CVM) Web Site – Certificates submitted – Background check and Photo ID

The next step is to create an account at the Colorado Volunteer Mobilizer (CVM) site. https://covolunteers.state.co.us/

Both Front Range Mine Rescue and San Juan Mine Rescue team members, will need to join the organization, "Colorado Front Range Mine Rescue" Complete all items marked with a red asterisk, as that information is required. Some information is optional, like Medical History, Deployment Preferences and such. Your Division can be filled in as 'Operations', Title as 'Miner'. The CVM Administer will request that I verify your membership in FRMR.

You will also need to upload copies of your training certificates (IS-100, IS-700), which are verified by a CVM State employee.

CVM will then contact you for permission to conduct a Colorado Bureau of Investigations Background check.

Once these steps are completed, you will be provided with instructions for taking and submitting a photograph. You will need to provide a statement of your current hair color, You will also need to submit a photographic copy of your State ID card. NOTE: The confidential information collected for the background check is not available for viewing by the FRMR administrator(s).

The current requirements for the ID photo, are listed below. This is for information only, as you will need to follow the instructions that CVM provides when requesting the photo:

Photo requirements:

- The background is a solid color and smooth (no landscapes/bricks/doors/cars, etc.).
- That the background doesn't match your hair or shirt color.
- The photo should include a space of about 4 inches above your head, a couple of inches on either side of your shoulders, and to about mid chest.
- You should be looking straight ahead.
- Make sure to send/save the photo at the original or large size.
- Make sure you are in a well-lit area and the photo is- not too dark.
- Use only a color photo.
- If you wear transition glasses, ensure they are clear in the photo.
- No hats, bandanas, or sunglasses are allowed.

For assistance with any of these steps, please contact Greg Black , Liaison Officer FRMR , at GregBlack@GoldenEagleTechnologies.Com , Land Line 303-278-9268 , or Cell / Text 303-638-3849

Note: Our free ID Badge Program is administered by the Colorado Volunteer Mobilizer Program of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment.