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Minimum Standard for Accreditation (MSA)

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Course Title: Highway Safety for Emergency Service Personnel

SFA Course Code: HSES

Course Length: 4 Hrs **Lecture/Lab Breakdown:** 3.5/.5 hrs

Prerequisites: None

Referenced Text(s): VFIS Highway Safety for Emergency Service Personnel IG

<u>Course Goal:</u> Present the necessary classroom instruction and evaluation of learning for emergency service personnel who may be involved in highway incidents.

Course Description: Emergency Service Organizations (ESO) respond to a wide variety of incidents involving operations on, or near a highway. These operations pose special risks to personnel performing fire, rescue and EMS functions. Every year a significant number of emergency service personnel are killed or injured while operating on our highways. There may be a wide variety of reasons for these losses, but the point still remains, there are ways to minimize the risks. This program discusses those risks with suggested actions to reduce them.

Description of Methodology: Lecture utilizing media provided (Power Point slides and video clips) as well as class participation. Tabletop exercises. Outside "hands on" is permissible if class is of manageable size and a safe area is available.

Student Equipment & Supplies: Student Guide

Equipment/Audiovisual/Facility/Supply Requirements: IG kit, computer (with power point), projector and screen.

Special Notes & Conditions:

Course Outline

TimeTopicNotes15 minPre Test25 minExtent of the Problem20 minPlanning, Multi Agency Communication and Coordination10 minBreak20 minSOPs/SOGs

Course Outline cont

<u>Time</u>	<u>Topic</u>
20 min	Legal and Regulatory Implications
30 min	On Scene Operation: The First 60 minutes
20 min	Apparatus Design and Equipment
10 min	Break
30 min	Scenarios and Best Practices
20 min	Highway Safety in Review
20 min	Post Quiz/Evaluation

Competency Evaluation Mechanism: Pre and post tests

Learning Outcomes (Behavioral Objectives):

Upon successful completion the student shall be able to:

- 1. Understand the elements of a safe work zone.
- 2. Recognize the potential/existing hazards while operating on, or near a highway.
- 3. Understand the need for personal protective equipment.
- 4. Understand the need for multi-agency incident command.
- 5. Facilitate implementation of "best practices" for roadway incidents

<u>Notes</u>