# **IMS – Incident Controller and Deputy** Role



## At a glance...

#### Assessed Customised Provision

**Duration Notes:** 6 hours

Delivery Method: E-learning

Prerequisites: A Site / Local / National Incident Management Team workshop

is desirable and recommended.

#### Introduction

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#### Overview in brief

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This is for either internal working or external interoperability and/or coordination with other organisations and the emergency services using JESIP.

The delivery method for this course is either E-Learning or Classroom.

#### The finer details

This course provides knowledge and assessment on:

- Principles of Incident Management
- Incident Controller and Deputy



- Observer Role
- Civil Contingencies and Multi-Agency Working
- Structure and Management of an Incident
- Shared Situational Awareness and Decision Making
- Creating a Strategy Setting Aims and Objectives
- Leadership
- Personnel Resilience
- Safety at Incidents
- Levels of Command and Control
- After Action Review and Organisational Learning



### Who should attend?

Junior, middle and senior managers in the land management and Plant Health sectors who would work at Site, Local and/or National levels, respectively, who undertake the role of the Incident Controller (or Commander) and their delegated Deputy.

This can be for a wide range incident types and events including, but not exclusive too; Plant Health, Animal Health, Wildfires, Missing Persons, Pollution, Storms/High Wind damage (including windblow) as well as recreation sites, visitor centres, public engagement, volunteer programmes, festivals and concerts.

### What will be covered?

The following is covered:

- What is Incident Management and the core principles as defined in the Incident Management System (IMS)
- Role, Responsibilities and Tasks of the Incident Controller (or Commander) and Deputy.
- Use of Observers in incidents, exercises and events.
- Relevant Incident Management processes
- Working with other organisations and responders.
- Working with other functions and roles within the Incident Management Team



- How to develop effective Incident Management Team structures.
- How to improve shared situational awareness and decision making.



- How to develop effective strategic using the aim, objective, tasking and outcomes approach using an Incident Action Plan.
- How to provide effective leadership.
- How to ensure personal resilience.
- How to ensure safety at incidents or events.
- How to effective use command and control.
- How to be part of an effective After Action Review.

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