

PROCEDURE MANUAL

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PURPOSE

To demonstrate the utilization of the National Incident Management System and its compliance with the Department of Homeland Security's request that all entities adopt the NIMS.

HISTORY

On February 28, 2003, A Homeland Security Presidential Directive 5 (HSPD-5), "Management of Domestic Incidents," was issued, which directed the Secretary of Homeland Security to develop and administer a *National Incident Management System* (NIMS). This system provides a consistent nationwide template to enable Federal, State, tribal, and local governments, nongovernmental organizations (NGOs), and the private sector to work together to prevent, protect against, respond to, recover from, and mitigate the effects of incidents, regardless of cause, size, location, or complexity. This consistency provides the foundation for utilization of NIMS for all incidents, ranging from daily occurrences to incidents requiring a coordinated Federal response.

NIMS is not an operational incident management or resource allocation plan. NIMS represents a core set of doctrines, concepts, principles, terminology, and organizational processes that enables effective, efficient, and collaborative incident management.

PROCEDURE

1. The National Incident Management System and the Incident Command System shall be the College standards for incident management. Arizona Western College departments plan for, and upon order, execute emergency tasks to ensure the safety and survival of the College population and protection of College property in the event of a disaster.