



NEWPORT BEACH FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Fire Chief

November 28, 2018

October 27, marked the 25th anniversary of the 1993 Laguna Beach wildland fire, one of the worst disasters in the history of Orange County. As a result of that fire and many other major incidents, the City of Newport Beach, like many other Orange County cities started a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program in 1999. We will embark on celebrating the 20th Anniversary of the Newport Beach Fire Department's Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program in 2019.

Thank you for being one of over 500 active Newport Beach CERT volunteers. This year has been another outstanding year for our CERT program and we are excited about continuing our mission to better prepare all Newport Beach residents for any unexpected emergency. The success of our CERT program over the past twenty years is a result of all the dedicated CERT volunteers, like yourself. For the past twenty years, CERT volunteers have assisted the fire department in getting our message of community preparedness, self-sufficiency and "Neighbors Helping Neighbors" to the Newport Beach community. We thank you for everything that you do to better prepare your family, yourselves and our community.

In 2017, the Fire Department held mandatory re-certification trainings for all Newport Beach CERT volunteers that wanted to remain active with the program. You are receiving this letter because you either attended one of those classes or are a recent CERT graduate from one of the Fall, Spring or Summer CERT programs in 2017 or 2018. Since it has been two years since our last mandatory recertification classes, all Newport Beach CERT volunteers that would like to remain active with our program must attend one of the five CERT mandatory recertification trainings in 2019. The 2019 CERT Mandatory Recertification Trainings will be held at the Newport Beach Central Library Friends Room on the following dates and times:

1. Monday, February 11 (9:30 am-11:30 am)
2. Tuesday, March 26 (6:00 pm-8:00 pm)
3. Wednesday, April 17 (9:30 am-11:30 am)
4. Wednesday, May 15 (3:00 pm-5:00 pm)
5. Tuesday, June 11 (9:30 am-11:30 am) - LAST CLASS

We will have an online registration system available in early January to register for one of the CERT mandatory re-certification classes in 2019. If you have any questions about whether you are an active Newport Beach CERT volunteer or have issues with attending one of the classes, please email nbcert@nbfd.net.

As a reminder, to receive information from the Newport Beach CERT program, you must register on the City of Newport Beach website (www.newportbeachca.gov), click on the "How Do I" link. Then under "Request" click on Email notifications and register to receive the CERT emails. All correspondence with our CERT volunteers is through this email distribution system and you must register to receive these notifications. You can also click on the "More News" icon at the bottom of the city's homepage as all CERT notifications are also available directly on the City's website under the CERT logo. All information on how to register for the 2019 CERT mandatory recertification classes will be included in these emails.

The Newport Beach Fire Department (NBFD) tracks CERT volunteer hours as a way to quantify how many hours CERT volunteers are donating each year to assist their neighborhoods, NBFD and the City. Please register all of your CERT volunteer hours by the end of the year. The CERT volunteer hours website is <https://www.nbcert.org/NBCERTPortal/>. You need your CERT ID number and your password is your last name. Register any volunteer time you have dedicated to better preparing yourself/neighborhood, any CERT or other preparedness classes/drills you participated in and any community preparedness outreach events you assisted at. Please email nbcert@nbfd.net with any questions or concerns regarding entering your CERT volunteer hours.

Next year is shaping up to be another exciting year for the NBFD CERT program. We will kick 2019 off with the 11th Annual State of CERT Awards Banquet on Wednesday, January 30, 2019, at 6:30 pm at the Oasis Senior Center. The State of CERT invitation and the initial 2019 CERT Calendar are enclosed. The banquet will start with a reception at 6:00 p.m., and dinner at 6:30 pm. All CERT volunteers, their friends, families, neighbors and anyone interested in community preparedness are welcome to attend. If you plan on attending, please register through the link on the invitation (<https://apps.newportbeachca.gov/payforms/state-of-cert.aspx>) as soon as possible but no later than January 18, 2019.

The NBFD would like to wish you all a wonderful holiday season. We are looking forward to another productive year for our CERT program and for the NBFD. If you have any questions about the CERT program, email nbcert@nbfd.net. Again, thank you for everything that you do to better our CERT program and prepare our community. We look forward to working with all of you in 2019.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matt Brisbois".

Matt Brisbois
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Newport Beach Fire Department CERT Master Calendar 2019



For additional information or to register for any of the following classes or events, please email nbcert@nbfd.net or call (949) 644-3112. Please note that this calendar is updated periodically, any questions regarding the calendar should be directed to nbcert@nbfd.net.

JANUARY

- Tuesday, January 8 and Thursday, January 10- American Heart Association CPR/AED and First Aid class (6:00 -9:00 pm each evening) @ Station #7 training room
- Saturday, January 12- Orange County CMAP Drill
- Tuesday, January 22- Lido Isle CERT- Hands-only CPR/Stop the Bleed Training (6:00 pm) @ Lido Isle Clubhouse
- Wednesday, January 30, 2019- 11th Annual State of CERT Awards Banquet @ Oasis Senior Center

FEBRUARY

- Thursday, February 7- Spring 2019 Thursday day CERT program- Class #1 (9:00 am-1:00 pm) @ Station #7 training room
- Monday, February 11- CERT Mandatory Re-Certification Class #1 (9:30 am-11:30 am) @ Newport Beach Central Library Friends Room
- Thursday, February 14- Spring 2019 Thursday day CERT program- Class #2 (9:00 am-1:00 pm) @ Station #7 training room
- Tuesday, February 26- CERT Quarterly “All Hands” Meeting #1 (6:30 pm) @ Newport Beach Central Library Friends Room
- Thursday, February 28- Spring 2019 Thursday day CERT program- Class #3 (9:00 am-1:00 pm) @ Station #7 training room

MARCH

- Saturday, March 2- Spring 2019 Saturday day CERT program- Class #1 (8:30 am-5:30 pm) @ Station #7 training room
- Saturday, March 9- Spring 2019 Saturday day CERT program- Class #2 (8:30 am-5:30 pm) @ Station #7 training room
- Saturday, March 16- Spring 2019 Saturday day CERT program- Class #3 (8:30 am-noon) @ Station #7 training room
- Saturday, March 23- Spring 2019 CERT Drill the Skills/Graduation- (9:00 am-1:30 pm) @ Station #7
- Tuesday, March 26- CERT Mandatory Re-certification Class #2 (6:00 pm-8:00 pm) @ Newport Beach Central Library Friends Room

APRIL

- Wednesday, April 17- CERT Mandatory Re-certification Class #3 (9:30 am-11:30 am) @ Newport Beach Central Library Friends Room

MAY

- Monday, May 6- CERT Quarterly “All Hands” Meeting #2 (6:30 pm) @ Newport Beach Central Library Friends Room
- Saturday, May 11- CERT Mutual Aid (CMAP) class (9:00 am-3:00 pm) @ Station #7 training room
- Wednesday, May 15- CERT Mandatory Re-certification Class #4 (3:00 pm-5:00 pm) @ Newport Beach Central Library Friends Room

JUNE

- Saturday, June 1- Corona Del Mar 5K- CERT Booth



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- Sunday, June 2- Balboa Island Parade-CERT Booth @ Station #4
- Tuesday, June 11- CERT Mandatory Re-certification Class #5- LAST CLASS (9:30 am-11:30 am) @ Newport Beach Central Library Friends Room

JULY

AUGUST

- Tuesday, August 20- CERT Quarterly “All Hands” Meeting #3 (6:30 pm) @ Newport Beach Central Library Friends Room

SEPTEMBER

- Saturday, September 7- 11th Annual Disaster Preparedness Expo (11:00 am-2:00 pm) @ Newport Beach Civic Center Green
- Tuesday, September 17- Fall 2019 CERT Tuesday-Thursday evening program- Introduction to CERT (6:30 pm-8:30 pm) @ Station #7 training room
- Thursday, September 19- Fall 2019 CERT Tuesday-Thursday evening program- Introduction to Fire Operations (6:30 pm-8:30 pm) @ Station #7 training room
- Saturday, September 21- Fall 2019 Saturday program class #1 (8:30 am-5:30 pm) @ Station #7 training room
- Tuesday, September 24- Fall 2019 CERT Tuesday-Thursday evening program- Disaster Psychology/Team Organization (6:30 pm-8:30 pm) @ Station #7 training room
- Thursday, September 26- Fall 2019 CERT Tuesday-Thursday evening program- Medical Operations I (6:30 pm-8:30 pm) @ Station #7 training room
- Saturday, September 28- Fall 2019 Saturday program class #2 (8:30 am-5:30 pm) @ Station #7 training room

OCTOBER

- Tuesday, October 1- Fall 2019 CERT Tuesday-Thursday evening program- Medical Operations II (6:30 pm-8:30 pm) @ Station #7 training room
- Thursday, October 3- Fall 2019 CERT Tuesday-Thursday evening program- Light Search and Rescue I (6:30 pm-8:30 pm) @ Station #7 training room
- Saturday, October 5- Fall 2019 Saturday program class #3 (8:30 am-noon) @ Station #7 training room
- Sunday, October 6- Fire Service Day Open House (11:00 am-2:00 pm) @ Station #7
- Tuesday, October 8- Fall 2019 CERT Tuesday-Thursday evening program- CPR/Terrorism Awareness (6:30 pm-8:30 pm) @ Station #7 training room
- Thursday, October 10- Fall 2019 CERT Tuesday-Thursday evening program- Light Search and Rescue II (6:30 pm-8:30 pm) @ Station #7 training room
- Tuesday, October 15- Fall 2019 CERT Tuesday-Thursday evening program- Fire Suppression (6:30 pm-8:30 pm) @ Station #7 training room
- Saturday, October 19- Fall 2019 CERT Drill the Skills/Graduation (9:00 am-1:30 pm) @ Station #7
- Tuesday, October 29- CERT Quarterly “All Hands” Meeting #4 (6:30 pm) @ Newport Beach Central Library Friends Room

NOVEMBER

DECEMBER

- Sunday, December 1- Corona Del Mar Christmas Walk- CERT Booth

JANUARY 2020- 12th Annual State of CERT Awards

State of CERT

The Newport Beach Fire Department Honors its CERT Volunteers at the

11th Annual CERT Banquet

Wednesday, January 30, 2019

6:00 p.m. – Reception

6:30 p.m. – Dinner

\$10 per person (guests welcome)

CERT Attire Encouraged

(Vest, T-shirt, ID)

Oasis Senior Center - Evelyn Hart Event Center

801 Narcissus Avenue, Corona del Mar

RSVP No Later than January 18, 2019 to

<https://apps.newportbeachca.gov/payforms/state-of-cert.aspx> or (949) 644-3112

Mail Dinner/Donation checks to:

NBFD CERT PROGRAM, 100 Civic Center Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660

Write CERT DINNER in check memo field.

If donation, write CERT DONATION in check memo field.

Celebrating 20 Years of CERT

