

# TEEX Wide Area Search

## PER213-24 Hours

### Course Description

When disaster strikes it can be a challenge to effectively mobilize, organize, and deploy resources needed to perform search and rescue operations. The purpose of this course is to prepare participants to support a large search and rescue incident in a variety of roles ranging from searchers in the field, planning and support staff, and incident command. While built around the model of a large search and rescue event following a disaster, the course content applies to a vast number of critical situations including missing persons searches, natural disasters, terrorist incidents, and other scenarios.

This course exposes participants to a search management system focused on resource management and search documentation designed to conduct search operations efficiently and effectively. The instructor cadre will lead participants through facilitated discussions, table-top exercises, and hands-on activities in practical search skills and search management based on real world scenarios. The three-day long event concludes with a table-top exercise which requires participants to utilize the skills gained during the course to work through an incident from start to finish in a single operational period.

The instructor cadre are experienced search and rescue team members from the Federal Urban Search and Rescue System (FEMA US&R), State, municipal, and Volunteer teams. They bring a wealth of experience gained responding to some of nation's largest and most challenging operations.

It is highly recommended participants complete:

- [IS-100.c, Introduction to the Incident Command System](#) or equivalent
- [IS-200.c, Basic Incident Command System for Initial Response](#) or equivalent

Class Dates: Dec 10-12, 2024

Class Times: 8am – 5pm (each day)

Class Location: Vermont State Fire Academy, 93 Davison Drive, Pittsford, VT 05763

Register online using this

link: <https://my.teex.org/TeexPortal/Default.aspx?MO=mCourseCatalog&D=FP&C=PER213&S=735>

Anyone who is traveling and needs accommodation can contact the Vermont Fire Academy at (802) 483-2755.

Any questions regarding the class please contact Scott Mangan or Dan Gedney at the City of Rutland Fire Department (802) 773-1812.

Space is limited, availability is first come first serve.