



# MEMA TRAINING BULLETIN

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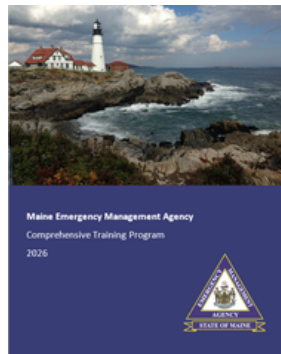


## Your source for training opportunities.

Welcome to the Maine Emergency Management Training Bulletin. Our goal is to provide you with the best opportunities for professional training to increase your preparedness and capabilities. If your organization is hosting training and would like to be featured here, please let us know at [MEMAPreparedness@maine.gov](mailto:MEMAPreparedness@maine.gov).

## NETC Application Process.

When applying for training through the [National Emergency Training Center \(NETC\)](#), please remember to list the State Training Officer, Ken Latham ([kenneth.latham@maine.gov](mailto:kenneth.latham@maine.gov)) as the "Head of Organization," so we can properly track your applications.



## Comprehensive Training Program

We are pleased to announce the release of the MEMA Comprehensive Training Program (2026). This document provides guidance on how we conduct training, support our partners, and develop qualified Instructors.

You can find this and more under the Training Support Tab on the [MEMA Training Page](#).



## Preparedness Focus: Severe Weather Awareness

April is [Severe Weather Awareness Month](#). Severe weather can happen anytime, in any part of the country. Severe weather can include hazardous conditions produced by thunderstorms, including damaging winds, tornadoes, large hail, flooding and flash flooding, and winter storms associated with freezing rain, sleet, snow and strong winds.



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### **COOP-01: Continuity of Operations Planning Essentials**

Virtual

8 April 2026 0800-1200

[Sign up here](#)

This course aims to provide participants with an understanding of continuity, covering its definition, importance, and the advantages of a well-structured continuity plan. It will guide participants through analyzing the key elements of continuity and the processes, resources, and tasks necessary for successful implementation. By the end of the course, participants will be equipped with a structured approach and the essential tools to initiate development of a continuity plan.



### **AWR209 Working with the Media: A Course for Rural First Responders**

Windham, ME

9 April 2026 0800-1600

[Sign up here](#)

AWR 209 is a DHS/FEMA-certified, 8-hour, tuition-free course designed to provide rural first responders with the skills and knowledge to quickly adopt the role of public information officer (PIO) if/when needed and to communicate with the public through the media. Many rural first responder organizations do not have a full or part-time PIO on staff.



### **Essentials of Fire Chaplaincy**

Caribou, ME

10-11 April 2026 0800-1600

**To Sign Up: Jared Blake, [ffemtjblake@gmail.com](mailto:ffemtjblake@gmail.com), 207-329-2273**

Sixteen hours of nationally recognized chaplaincy training covering: Foundations, Personhood, Program Development, Ministry to Firefighters, Crisis Response and Ethics, On-Scene Operations, Incident Management, Stress Management, Firefighter Injury, LODD, Fire Service Funerals



### **MGT 330 Support that Saves: A Guide to Building and Sustaining Peer Support**

Augusta, ME

21-23 April 2026 0800-1600

[Sign up here](#)

Education is the first step in building an effective peer support program. Support that Saves: A Guide to Building and Sustaining Peer Support is a three-day training opportunity that covers all elements of building and maintaining an effective peer support program. Peer support programs provide many benefits to public safety professionals, including acknowledging the difficulties of response work, strengthening teams, and equipping them to cope effectively.



### **AWR 148: Crisis Management for School-Based Incidents**

Caribou, ME

11 May 2026 0800-1700

[Sign up here](#)

AWR 148 is an 8-hour, DHS/FEMA-certified, tuition-free course designed to educate rural law enforcement personnel as well as school administrators and staff on the elements that would allow for an effective response to school-based emergencies.



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### **AWR 148: Crisis Management for School-Based Incidents**

Augusta, ME  
13 May 2026 0800-1700

[Sign up here](#)

AWR 148 is an 8-hour, DHS/FEMA-certified, tuition-free course designed to educate rural law enforcement personnel as well as school administrators and staff on the elements that would allow for an effective response to school-based emergencies.



### **AWR 148: Crisis Management for School-Based Incidents**

Alfred, ME  
15 May 2026 0800-1700

[Sign up here](#)

AWR 148 is an 8-hour, DHS/FEMA-certified, tuition-free course designed to educate rural law enforcement personnel as well as school administrators and staff on the elements that would allow for an effective response to school-based emergencies.



### **HAZ-01: Hazardous Materials for First Responders, Awareness Level**

Southborough, Mass  
20 May 2026 0800-1500

[Sign up here](#)

This one-day course is designed for first responders who are likely to witness or discover a hazardous materials emergency or, in the course of their normal duties may be the first person on the scene of an emergency involving hazardous material. Participants will learn how to recognize a hazardous materials release and the risks involved. They will also learn how to identify the released material; how to use available resources, including the Emergency Response Guidebook; and how to notify the proper authorities in the event of a hazardous material emergency. This course meets OSHA 29 CFR 1910.120(q)(6)(I) and EPA 40 CFR 311 requirements.



### **AWR136 Developing Cybersecurity Resiliency for Everyone**

Portland, ME  
27 May 2026 0800-1600

[Sign up here](#)

AWR136 is an eight-hour, non-technical introduction to cybersecurity designed to empower individuals and organizations with the awareness and practical skills needed to combat today's cyber threats. Whether at work or at home, participants will learn how everyday actions can strengthen cybersecurity and prevent disruptions to business, government, and emergency response operations.



### **AWR209 Working with the Media: A Course for Rural First Responders**

Wiscasset, ME  
28 May 2026 0800-1600

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### **AWR376 Understanding Targeted Cyber Attacks**

Portland, ME  
28 May 2026 0800-1600  
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This course provides participants with specific information regarding targeted cyber-attacks, including advanced persistent threats. This information will place them in a better position to plan and prepare for, respond to, and recover from targeted cyber-attacks.



### **MGT 452 Physical and Cybersecurity for Critical Infrastructure**

Poland, ME  
11 June 2026 0800-1700  
[Sign up here](#)

The national and economic security of the United States depends on the reliable functioning of critical infrastructure. This course encourages collaboration efforts among individuals and organizations responsible for both physical and cybersecurity toward development of integrated risk management strategies that lead to enhanced capabilities necessary for the protection of our Nation's critical infrastructure.



### **PER344 Social Media Tools and Techniques**

Wiscasset, ME  
25 August 2026 0800-1600  
[Signup here.](#)

Join us for our Social Media Tools and Technique course and acquire the knowledge and skills needed to use social media tools and techniques for intermediate-level messaging, strategy, and increased situational awareness. Build upon your existing knowledge with more in-depth training in the use of strategy, tools, and messaging techniques in the use of social media.



### **PER343 SOCIAL MEDIA ENGAGEMENT STRATEGIES**

Wiscasset, ME  
26 August 2026 0800-1600  
[Signup here.](#)

Join us for our Social Media Engagement Strategies course. Enhance your knowledge and skills to implement strategies to better engage individuals and partner organizations. Experience more in-depth training in the use of social media content types, engagement strategies, and measurement tools.

### **Region 1 State Partners Training Calendars**

New Hampshire: [New Hampshire Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management](#)

Vermont: [Vermont Emergency Management](#)

Massachusetts: [Northeast Emergency Management Training & Education Center \(NEMTEC\)](#)  
Please note: When creating an account for Massachusetts Training Registration System you will be required to select your city when completing the work address section. Cities/towns outside of Massachusetts are not listed. Simply choose "Other" in the dropdown and manually type your town in the "Other City" line below.

Connecticut: [Connecticut Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security](#)

Rhode Island: [Rhode Island Emergency Management Agency](#)

