

## **S.A.V.E. Coalition members are urged to take basic Incident Command System courses**

Following a large-scale disaster in Missouri, such as a New Madrid Seismic Zone earthquake or the May 2011 Joplin tornado, volunteers trained and certified under the Structural Assessment and Visual Evaluation (SAVE) Coalition may be called into action. In order for these volunteers to better assist the communities affected by a disaster, the S.A.V.E. Coalition Board of Directors encourages them to be familiar with the Incident Command System (ICS). It's important for S.A.V.E. members to understand how disaster-response personnel use ICS in order to operate more effectively to help communities in need. By taking and successfully completing some basic ICS courses, S.A.V.E. members will be able to operate more effectively on the scene as well. Anyone responding after a disaster needs to be part of the solution, not adding to the problem already there.

Below are the basic National Incident Management System compliant courses strongly recommended for S.A.V.E. Coalition certified volunteers:

- [IS-100.b - \(ICS 100\) Introduction to Incident Command System](#)
- [IS-200.b \(ICS 200\) ICS for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents](#)
- [IS-700.a National Incident Management System \(NIMS\), An Introduction](#)
- [IS-800.b National Response Framework, An Introduction](#)