

Chatham CERT

General Meeting
July 25, 2019



Agenda

- Introductions

Please fill out contact form with name, email, cell phone & cell provider, plus ham callsign if you have one

- Chatham CERT Mission

- Gear

- Upcoming meetings & classes

- Tonight's meeting

Classes & Meetings

Recent

- PODS

Tonight

- Sheriff / Police Support

Upcoming

- August 28: Hurricane Preparation
- September 25
- October 5 (Saturday): CERT Search and Rescue

Other Courses

- Sign up at TERMS NC Training / Exercise Response Management System
<https://terms.ncem.org/TRS/>



Chatham CERT Mission

The Chatham Community
Emergency Response Team (CERT)
delivers education and training for
Chatham County residents on
**emergency and disaster
preparedness**, and when activated,
supports, to the extent of their
training, Chatham County
emergency response under the
direction of Chatham County
Emergency Management officials
and local incident commanders.

Forms in
the back of
the room

CERT Application

Name and contact
information

Background
and any
past training

Photo release

Background check
release

We also need a
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Chatham County, NC CERT Program Membership Application

The following information is required – please print legibly!

When completed, turn in to an officer at any Chatham CERT meeting or submit to ChathamCERT@Outlook.com.

Full Name _____
Home Address _____
Mailing Address _____
Neighborhood / Subdivision _____
Email Address _____
Home Phone _____ Emergency Contact Information
Cell Phone _____ Name _____
Cell Provider _____ Relationship _____
HAM Callsign/ID _____ Phone _____

I am currently or was formerly:

- Military
- Medically Trained
- Fire Department
- Law Enforcement

FEMA Training ID _____

I have completed/taken the following:

- NC-317 CERT Basic Training Class (Classroom)
- IS-317 Introduction to CERT (Online)
- ICS-100 Introduction to the Incident Command System (ICS)
- ICS-200 ICS for Single Resources & Initial Action Incidents
- ICS-700 National Incident Management System (NIMS) An Introduction
- ICS-800 National Response Framework, an Introduction

List here skills you feel you will bring to Chatham CERT, other CERT programs you have participated in, or requirements for accommodations. If there is insufficient space here, indicate below and continue on the reverse.

Continued on reverse

As a CERT member you may be asked to work in situations which expose you to confidential data and/or exposed to confidential data or property. If you do not wish to have a free background check performed, skip this section. A background check will be required for some duties and offices.

Driver License # _____ Date of Birth _____

I give permission for any still image (photography) or video footage in which I may appear to be used for whatever purpose is deemed appropriate. I do this voluntarily and with the understanding there is no remuneration. In addition, I release any involved agencies and/or jurisdictions from any liability related to my participation in CERT activities including training, deployment, or other CERT related activities. I hereby certify the information I have provided in this application is true and accurate to the best of my ability.

Signature _____ Date _____



CERT Startup - Gear

- Standard vest for CERT participants: everyone buys their own 'Deluxe CERT vest' – fitted with pockets and reflective stripes' for \$13.88 from www.sosproducts.com
- Optional shirt and cap (can order)
 - Not required but nice items when dealing with the community



CERT Alerts

- The first notification sent out through Chatham County CodeRED system, then:

- Check CERT website
- Check Chatham Co Emergency Ops Twitter and Facebook
- Texting

- CERT requests for volunteers and additional information will be on the CERT website at <http://www.chathamcert.org>



Personal Awareness Color Codes

White: relaxed and unaware of what is going on around you. This is sitting at home, doors locked, and quietly watching TV. Think 'preoccupied' or 'daydreaming'.

Yellow: relaxed, but aware of who and what is around you. *If you are outside your home, you should start in condition Yellow.* Pay attention to sights and sounds wherever you are at - in your home, or out in society. Be aware of what is happening. Make eye contact with strangers. Know the nearest exits. Run through 'what-if' scenarios' in your mind. Think 'alert but not paranoid'.

Orange: you have noticed something that may or may not prove to be a threat. Remain very alert and be aware of your entire surroundings. Think 'something is not right'. In this state you are anticipating a bad situation, and you should be planning to respond.

Red: you have identified a real threat. Be ready to 'Run-Hide-Fight' and take decisive action.

Being aware of your surroundings and avoiding areas where incidents may occur helps us stay out of condition Red.

CERT Mission Request

Sign up tonight!

- **Request:** 10 CERT volunteers
- **Mission:** Support firefighter rehab (rest, cooling, hydration)
- **Description:** Fire engines and tankers from every department in the county practice drafting and relaying large quantities of water to a “dry” area to support intensive firefighting operations. Training is made as realistic as possible, so participants are encouraged to “rehab” throughout the event; including resting, cooling off in an air-conditioned truck or shady spot, and drinking plenty of fluids.
- **Date:** Aug 17 (Sat) 0800 – 1400
- **Gear:** CERT vest. Other clothing appropriate for outdoors.



CERT Search and Rescue

- **Date:** October 5, 2019
- **Location:** Chatham Co (TBD)
- **Focus:** Basic instruction on the Search and Rescue process
 - Define wilderness SAR
 - Define the components of SAR operations and necessary equipment
 - Have a basic understanding of map and compass reading/Land Navigation
 - Understand basic SAR techniques
 - Have some knowledge of Clue Awareness and Lost Person Behavior
 - Understand the use of ICS in SAR
- **Gear:** be prepared for walking outdoors (hiking footwear, sunscreen / insect repellent, canteen with water) and for classroom instruction (pen and notebook)
- Interest signup form at back of EOC

Questions?