

Thank you for your support of the CERT Program and your commitment to strengthen collaboration between community members and emergency responders.

THIS SYSTEM IS TO REGISTER OFFICIAL CERT PROGRAMS ONLY, not to register individuals or individual teams sponsored by a local CERT Program. To be an official CERT Program, the program must:

1. Be operated by a local emergency response organization such as your local Fire Department or Office of Emergency Management and endorsed by the local Citizen Corps Council if your community has one.
2. Conduct the CERT Basic Training Course and a CERT exercise at least once a year.
3. Have a point of contact to be posted with other program information on the national CERT website.

If you represent an official CERT Program, please continue. The information about your program will be posted on the national CERT website. Being listed in the National CERT Registry will allow you to share relevant information on CERT and other programs. The information that you provide about your program will also be included in national summary and individual program reports. Your information will help individuals interested in CERT from your area to contact you and verify that your program is legitimate. Registering also makes your program eligible for the FEMA Individual and Community Preparedness Awards and for free printed CERT training materials from the FEMA Warehouse.

Teen, Campus, and Workplace CERT programs may also register as official CERT programs and must meet the same requirements as all other official CERT programs. All Teen, Campus, and Workplace CERT programs, whether they register or not, must secure the endorsement of a local emergency response organization and are strongly encouraged to develop strong relationships with local emergency management and professional response agencies, as well as other local CERT programs. In some states, registration for Teen, Campus, and Workplace CERT programs is mandatory. Please contact your [state point of contact](#) to learn if registration is required in your state.

In order to become an official CERT program, Teen, Campus, and Workplace CERT programs must have a sponsoring agency. States may decide if the sponsoring agency needs to be local government entity, as it does for county and local programs, or if a high school, institution of higher education, or place of work, respectively, is sufficient. As with other official programs, registered Teen, Campus, and Workplace CERT programs must conduct the CERT Basic Training course in its entirety and host an exercise at least once per year.

All Teen, Campus, and Workplace CERT programs, whether or not they register, must limit their activities -- particularly response activities -- to campus/workplace property. However, Teen, Campus, and Workplace CERT programs may be able to support CERT activities elsewhere in the community at the invitation of the local government, or per the terms of a formal agreement between the Teen, Campus, or Workplace CERT program's sponsoring agency and the local government.

In lieu of being a standalone program, a Teen, Campus, or Workplace CERT team, like other individual teams, can be a part of an existing CERT program. Teen, Campus, and Workplace CERT teams should not register if they are part of an existing CERT program.

Your submission will be reviewed by the State CERT Program Manager or the Citizen Corps Program Manager before being posted. Once your CERT Program is approved, the CERT point of contact you

identify below will receive a password to access your registration page and to update the posted content as needed. This point of contact will also receive a reminder to update the information at least once a year. Thank you for keeping the information on the website about your CERT Program current.

If you have any problems with completing this form or with updating your posted information, please contact us at [cert@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:cert@fema.dhs.gov).

Thank you again for your commitment to the CERT Program and the effort to train community members and include them in supporting local emergency services.