

Jefferson County CERT Disaster Exercise

Date: Saturday, September 16
9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Where: **Fair Park Arena**
Alabama State Fairgrounds
2331 Bessemer Road
Birmingham, Alabama 35208

Jefferson County will hold a disaster exercise for all those who have completed the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training. The exercise will be a refresher course and is intended to simulate a disaster that could happen anytime in Jefferson County. The exercise will incorporate much of the material taught in the CERT class such as Incident Command; Search and Rescue; Triage; Fire Suppression; Cribbing. It would be helpful if you would review the CERT handbook before participating in the exercise.

You will need to wear clothing appropriate for a disaster exercise (old clothing you do not mind getting dirty!). Footwear should be a work boot; no tennis shoes or open toe shoes. Bring your [CERT backpack](#) if you received one upon completion of your class. Make sure you have gloves and a flashlight with batteries.

Please Note: If you plan on participating, please contact Channel Norris, Jefferson County EMA, at 254-2039, before September 1. Bring the participation form with you when check-in Saturday morning. For the most up-to-date information on this event please visit the web sites www.jeffcoema.org or www.impactalabama.com.

AGENDA:

9:00 am - 9:30 am	Check-in
9:30 am - 10:00 am	All Hands Briefing
10:00 am - 11:30 am	Disaster Exercise
11:30 am -12:30 pm	Lunch
12:30 pm - 1:30 pm	Disaster Exercise
1:30 pm - 2:00 pm	Wrap-up

Lunch will be provided and there is no cost to participate.

Directions to Fair Park Arena:

The easiest way to get to the arena is from I-20/I-59. If you are traveling from I-65 you need to head west on I-20/I-59 towards Tuscaloosa. Take exit 120 which is the 20th Street Ensley exit. Turn left onto Ensley 5 Point West Avenue. Go approximately 1 mile and turn left onto Bessemer Road. The Fair Park Arena will be on your right.