

Ohio Region 1 Disaster Animal Response Team



Membership Requirements

DART members will work in coordination with a multitude of agencies and organizations in an effort to support the DART mission. DART will operate under the Incident Command System (ICS) according to the National Incident Management System (NIMS) requirements. As a result, DART members shall obtain the following certifications:

National Incident Management System Courses:

IS 100.B: Introduction to the Incident Command System

IS 200.B: ICS for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents

IS 700.A: National Incident Management System (NIMS)

The above courses are available at no cost online at <http://training.fema.gov/IS/> as part of the Federal Emergency Management Agency Independent Study Program.

DART members shall complete the above training courses and submit official certificates of course completion within one year of obtaining DART membership. DART members shall maintain proof of current licensure for their respective professions as applicable. DART members shall complete an approved training every three years and register in the Ohio Responds Volunteer Registry at <https://www.ohioresponds.odh.ohio.gov>.

DART members are encouraged to attend all meetings and training exercises. Many meetings are conducted via teleconferencing and as a result, attendance should not be problematic. In addition, DART strongly recommends all members receive vaccination against hepatitis A & B, tetanus and rabies. Grant funds may be available to assist with these costs.

Failure to meet the minimum requirements as outlined above is sufficient cause for termination of membership. Members who have not met the above requirements will be denied deployment to all disasters until successful completion. Upon successful completion of the above requirements, DART members are required to submit and maintain current contact information.

I acknowledge that I have read and understand the above minimum requirements necessary to obtain and maintain Ohio Region 1 DART membership. I agree to comply with all requirements, maintain current contact information and certifications, and act in a professional manner and maintain professional conduct at all times while acting as a representative of the Ohio Region 1 DART. In addition, I understand that upon fulfillment of all membership requirements identified above, following proper deployment procedures and operating within the scope of my DART responsibilities I am provided limited liability protection under section 5502.281 of the Ohio Revised Code. I further understand that workers' compensation is provided at the discretion of the requesting county EMA director and may not be provided to me during deployment.

Signature

Printed Name

Signature Date