**Trailer Towing for Emergency Responders**

*October 17, 2014 (PILOT)*

**Course Description:**
During a statewide or local crisis, emergency service agencies are called upon to rapidly bring their expertise and specialized equipment to the disaster area. This could include an Urban Search & Rescue (USAR) team, maritime assets, or vital supplies such as generators and fuel for response and recovery. Often the personnel and equipment must arrive by specialized vehicle with a trailer in tow. Many agencies find themselves towing trailers during routine calls, for training, and non-emergency situations.

Inclement weather, night conditions, and the stress of responding to an emergency can make the already difficult task of towing a trailer with a load more challenging. Familiarity with tow vehicles and trailers as well as proper training is essential for the safety of responders and the public.

*Trailer Towing for Emergency Responders* is a 1-day add-on course to the *Emergency Vehicle Defensive Driving* program designed to demonstrate the fundamentals of trailer-towing operations.

**Topics Include:**

**Classroom Discussion**
- Types, classifications, and mechanics of tow vehicles and trailers
- Safe trailering techniques

**Demonstration**
- Vehicle and trailer safety inspection
- Proper vehicle to trailer hook-up
- Balance, load, and secure a payload on a trailer for tow

**Skill Lanes**
- Demonstrate proper backing
- Demonstrate proper braking and knowledge of stopping distance
- Demonstrate proper negotiation of serpentine, 180 degree turn, lane blockage, and emergency stopping

**Course Provider:**
This course is being taught by a team of instructors from the National Center for Security & Preparedness and the State Preparedness Training Center.

**Vehicles:**
Students are expected to bring their own agency-assigned tow vehicle and trailer. Both should be in good working order and have a valid NYS Inspection.

**Times:**
October 17, 2014
Registration and Check-In: 7:30 AM - 8:00 AM
Course: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM
The course will begin promptly at 8:00 AM

For more information: Contact DHSES, State Preparedness Training Center at (315)-768-5689
email sptc.info@dhses.ny.gov  website http://www.dhses.ny.gov/sptc/
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Costs:
There is NO FEE for this course. Lunch will be provided each day. Travel and all other meals are the responsibility of the course participant.
Lodging WILL be provided on the nights of October 16, 2014 for Public Sector personnel ONLY (Federal grant funds cannot be used for Private Industry personnel). After you enroll in the course, you will receive an email verifying your lodging needs.

Location:
State Preparedness Training Center
5900 Airport Road
Oriskany, NY 13424

Hotel Payment:
*NOTE* You are only eligible for lodging if your residence and official work station are more than 50 miles from the training center and you are Public Sector personnel. Lodging is NOT available for Federal employees or Private Industry participants. You must be enrolled in the course and have received lodging confirmation from the SPTC before arriving at the training center, or your lodging will not be covered and you will not be allowed in the class. If you have any questions, contact the SPTC at 315-768-5689 or by email at sptc.info@dhses.ny.gov prior to arriving at the training center.

Audience:
The target audience for this course is emergency responders from all disciplines including: EMS, state response agencies (e.g. fire and emergency management), rescue personnel, and law enforcement.

Prerequisites:
All students should have completed the Emergency Vehicle Defensive Driving or equivalent basic EVOC course before attending.
There will be an EVDD delivery preceding this course on October 14-16. Check SLMS for availability.

Registration:
“NEW” Statewide Learning Management System Procedures taking effect.
If you have already used SLMS, please login here to register for this course: https://nyslearn.ny.gov/
If you received an email indicating that a SLMS username and account have been created for you but you have not yet used that account or if you have an account with NYS Directory Services, please use the instructions in the email and at the following link to enroll in SLMS and register for this course:
If you have never used SLMS and DO NOT have an account please use the instructions in the following link to create an account and register for this course:
If you have any trouble registering through the Statewide Learning Management System, please contact the SPTC at (315) 768-5689 or by email at sptc.info@dhses.ny.gov.

No Show Policy:
Failure to attend a class you have registered for can result in restriction on future course attendance and agency notification. If you have not received a confirmation or denial two weeks prior to the course data, please contact DHSES, SPTC at (315) 768-5689.

NOTE: Registration is on a first come first served basis. Seats are limited so early registration is encouraged!

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