

SAFETY AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM CLUB INCIDENT RESPONSE TEAM STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES

OHCC SERT IRT A-001 POLICY STATEMENT GOOD SAMARITAN LAW LIABILITY PROTECTION IRT RESPONDERS JULY 8, 2020

The SERT Club – Incident Response Team (IRT) is comprised of community volunteers who provide a focused response to the community in time of disasters and other significant adverse events. To ensure all responders and the SERT Club proper are protected from any civil damages resulting from any act or omission after they are officially activated to respond, the IRT Command Staff has implemented several processes, procedures and protocols (known collectively as safeguards) to demonstrate that responders meet the criteria as referenced in the California Good Samaritan Law and thus are protected from civil liability.

The following will identify those applicable safeguards:

- The IRT generally follows the FEMA CERT guidelines including the implementation of the Incident Command System and Structure as modified to meet the unique circumstances of a senior living community.
- The IRT General and Command Staff have all successfully completed at least a CERT Academy, and the FEMA ICS 100 and 200 courses. Some have also successfully completed higher level emergency response and management training as recognized by state and federal emergency management jurisdictions.
- The IRT General and Command Staff have identified various Incident Command System positions as having the role and responsibility to either direct or render emergency medical or nonmedical care at the scene of an emergency (i.e. disaster or other significant adverse event). Using their best professional judgement this Staff has prepared Standard Operating Policies that specify the baseline training that must be successfully completed by responders within these positions. The training is as follows:
 - Team Leaders and Assistant Team Leaders:
 - CERT Academy;
 - FEMA ICS 100;
 - SERT IRT Team Leader Training;
 - SERT Incident Action Plan Training;
 - Red Cross (on-line) Adult First Aid/AED/CPR course (with two-year recertification).
 - Tactical Team Members:
 - CERT Academy;
 - SERT Incident Action Plan Training;
 - Red Cross (on-line) Adult First Aid/AED/CPR course (with two-year recertification).
 - o Affiliate Team Members:
 - SERT Incident Action Plan Training
 - First Aid Team Members:
 - SERT Incident Action Plan Training
 - Red Cross (on-line) Adult First Aid/AED/CPR course (with two-year recertification).
- Those personnel who do not successfully complete the above training will be removed from their position and offered another assignment commensurate with their level of training.