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# DAYTON, OHIO REGIONAL HAZ-MAT RESPONSE TEAM NEWSLETTER

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**NEW PAGER 937-334-3660, Cell phone with voicemail 937-901-5112**

## **Changes-Changes-Changes**

Please take note of the following changes.

### **New Pager Number**

I have a new pager number; it is 937-334-3660. This is an alphanumeric pager and does not have voicemail capabilities. Voicemail is available on my cell phone at 937-901-5112. Please make this information available to all persons who may need to contact me.

### **November Training Moved**

Because of scheduling conflicts, this month's training has been moved from Sinclair to the Dayton FD Training Center.

## **Securing Assistance from the Team**

Please review the following procedure for securing assistance from the Team.

### **I. CONTACTING THE COORDINATOR**

1. The most direct and immediate method is via pager: 937-334-3660.
2. If the request is an emergency, follow the callback number with 911.
3. Voice mail is not available.
4. If your call is not returned in a reasonable time, call his cell phone at 937-901-5112.

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### **II. HAZ-MAT EMERGENCY IN PROGRESS**

1. Contact the Coordinator via pager or cell phone as outlined above.
2. Preliminary assessment for strategic and tactical plan will begin here.

### **III. WHAT IF THE COORDINATOR IS UNAVAILABLE?**

1. Contact the Dayton Fire Dispatcher: 937-333-FIRE.
2. Request connection with Station 11 Haz-Mat Captain stating an emergency.
3. Give status report to the Duty Captain.

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### **IV. What if Station 11 Haz-Mat Personnel are unavailable?**

Contact WPAFB FD Dispatcher, 937-257-1117, and request a Haz-Mat officer.

## **Communicator System Test**

On Tuesday, November 18, at approximately 0900, we will be attempting to accomplish a full system test of the Communicator System, meaning that we want the system to run the full round of contacting our members. The first attempt is done by sending pages; the next round will be individual phone calls to cell phones, work phones and, finally, home phones. If you acknowledge receipt of the message at any point during the test, the system will cease attempting to contact you. Please remember, your Employee ID Code is your 10-digit home phone number. We will discuss the test results at training this month.

The test will be conducted in two steps.

**First**

Prior to November 18, I will send out an alpha page stating the following:

“DRHMRT: A test of the DRHMRT notification system will soon be conducted. For details, call 222-8736 and enter your *Employee ID Code*.”

- *Your Employee ID Code* is your 10-digit home phone number with area code.

The message you hear will be as follows:

“On Tuesday, November 18, at approximately 0900, a full system test of the DRHMRT notification system will be performed. During this test, the system will send you two pages, a digital page, with the call back number and a text page. The system will also call the numbers listed for your cellular, work, and home phones. If the call is answered by an answering machine, the Communicator System will leave a message.”

**Second**

The test will be conducted on November 18. Whenever you wish to acknowledge receipt of the test message, the System will cease the notification process for you. If you prefer the System to contact all of the numbers you have submitted, you must not acknowledge receiving the notification until the last number is contacted. This is your decision.

Please keep this Newsletter handy and refer to it if needed. If you have questions, don't hesitate to contact me at 901-5112.

**Team Web Page**

We are in the process of developing a Haz-Mat Team Web Page. Phil Sinewe and Gary Rettig are helping out, and Premier Safety Service, Incorporated is sponsoring the page and paying the annual fees. We will post training dates and other information the general public

might find beneficial and also have a “member's only” area, including a forum.

Our address is <http://www.daytonhazmat.com/>.

Check it out. More info. next month.

**Welcome New Team Members**

I am pleased to announce our newest Team members:

**FF Steve Hater**—Phillipsburg FD

**FF Tom Llewellyn**—Washington Twp. FD

**FF Casey Roberts**—Washington Twp. FD

Please welcome them when you see them.

**Training****November Training, Location Changed**

November training will be conducted on the 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, and 22<sup>nd</sup> at the **Dayton Fire Department Training Center** from 0900-1200 hours. Jim Crawford and Dale Farmer from Ohio EPA will conduct CAMEO review and have a presentation on recent spills. An afternoon session will be held for Team Members needing to complete their Technician Refresher for the year. If you need the Tech. refresher, you must attend both the morning and afternoon sessions.

**2003 Training Schedule****November 20, 21 & 22**

0900-1200 hours

Location—DFDTC

CAMEO & Emergency Response, By OEPA

Afternoon: Technician Refresher Make-up session.

**December—No Training**