



DAYTON, OHIO REGIONAL HAZ-MAT RESPONSE TEAM NEWSLETTER

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Safety

Are you familiar with the Quick Clear Program being promoted by ODOT? Their Mission Statement is a good overview of the program.

“Committed to maintaining the safe and effective flow of traffic during emergencies as to prevent further damage, injury or undue delay of the motoring public”.

We probably all agree that the least amount of time we spend on a highway the safer we are.

When operating at a HazMat incident we of course must consider the properties of the product involved and the dangers and risks associated with our efforts to mitigate and or remediate the incident. We must also consider the dangers and risks from the motoring public. If working on a release of flammable or poisonous by inhalation materials, the highway must be shutdown and a hot zone maintained. We can't permit anyone to drive through flammable or poisonous vapors.

Please consider the impact of a total shutdown of the highway when not necessary. Does the entire roadway need to be closed when a vehicle carrying sodium hydroxide is 200 feet off the side of a six lane Interstate highway?

For more information on Quick Clear go to the Miami Valley Fire and EMS Alliance, your County EMA, or try the ODOT website

www.dot.state.oh.us/quickclear/

Training

40 hour Technician Class

A HazMat Technician class will be conducted on January 6-7-13-14, 2007 at the New Lebanon Fire Department. This class is open to all Fire, Law Enforcement and EMS personnel at no charge. This is a Cleveland State University class.

If planning to attend or if you have questions, please call Denny Bristow at 937-901-5112.

November Training

November training will be held at Dayton Fire Training Center on November 16-17-18 from 0900 hours until 1200 hours. Thursday evening training will be at Beavercreek FD Station 3 starting at 1830 hours. Jim Crawford and Dale Farmer will be reviewing CAMEO and make a presentation on recent spill responses.

2006 Training Schedule

November 16-17-18

CAMEO review

0900-1200 hours

November 16

1830-2130 hours

December

No Training