

"Training tools for an increasingly complex and dangerous job"



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#### About decontamination

At hazardous materials or terrorist incidents, emergency responders as well as civilians and equipment may come in contact with contaminants. Employees may also encounter hazardous substances in the course of their work. When contamination does occur, emergency action must be taken to make victims, personnel, equipment and the environment as safe as possible by the removal or isolation of hazardous materials. This process is called decontamination. Decontamination is important not only to protect victims and response personnel, but also to prevent transfer of contaminants to clean areas.

OSHA's HAZWOPER standard requires decontamination training at sites where the potential for exposure to hazardous substances exists.

#### About the program

"Decon Team" provides Technician and Operations level training for emergency response personnel and for remediation workers who may be assigned to carry out decontamination activities. The program tells how to select and set up the decontamination area and describes the duties of the Decon Unit Leader. It also illustrates the most current decontamination methods, telling how to select a compatible

method for the particular situation.

The program discusses the variables that contribute to the severity of contamination and tells what steps to take to minimize exposure. It tells how to detect contamination and stresses the importance of pre-planning in order to determine what materials and equipment should be readily available in the event of an emergency.

The basic stages of decontamination and what happens at each step are explained. The program also covers decontamination of victims, explaining that even injured patients must undergo decon in order to prevent secondary contamination of EMS personnel, ambulances and hospitals.

"Decon Team" tells how to control runoff from the decontamination process, how to handle contaminated waste resulting from decon activities, and how to check the effectiveness of decon operations. 29 minutes.

A 52-page *Leader's Guide* is included with the package. This *Guide* includes testing materials and outlines a comprehensive five-hour training seminar on decontamination.

#### About the Technical Committee

Emergency Film Group programs are created with the assistance of leaders in emergency response training. Technical committee members for "Decon Team" include the following authorities:

**Frank Docimo**, President of Docimo & Associates, a consulting firm that specializes in training emergency responders in counterterrorism, EMS and HazMat issues. He is the HazMat Officer for the Turn of River Fire Dept. in Stamford, CT and Co-Chairperson of Connecticut's Hazardous Materials Awareness Committee.

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**Zachary Goldfarb**, BS, CEM, EMT-P, Deputy Chief, Emergency Medical Services Operations, FDNY and owner of Incident Management Solutions, Inc., a consulting firm.

**Mike Hildebrand**, Senior Partner with Hildebrand & Noll Associates. The writer of numerous articles and texts, Mike co-authored the widely-circulated text *Hazardous Materials: Managing the Incident*.

**Greg Noll**, Senior Partner in the hazardous materials consulting firm Hildebrand & Noll Associates and a member of the NFPA Technical Committee on Hazardous Materials Response. Greg writes and lectures extensively about hazardous materials.

#### About the filmmakers

**Gordon Massingham**, writer and director. Gordon has won 130 national and international awards for filmmaking excellence.

**Michael Cataldo**, assistant director on many EFG projects as well as production designer, actor and art director.

#### About the Emergency Film Group

Emergency Film Group, a division of the Detrick Lawrence Corp., was established to distribute quality training films for emergency response and right to know education. Firmly committed to accuracy, EFG uses the best qualified advisors and production crews to ensure that programs are not only exciting to watch, but are also accurate in every detail.

EFG's worldwide list of customers range from the largest petrochemical companies, to government agencies, to small town fire departments. Every film comes with EFG's 30-day money-back guarantee if the customer is not 100% satisfied.

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