

All-Hazards Communications Technician (COMT)

Training Course

Unit 10: Safety Awareness



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Unit 10: Objectives

- Understand the risks of the incident environment in which the COMT will work
- Understand the risks of the technical environment in which the COMT will work



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COMT UNIT 10 – SAFETY AWARENESS

Incident Environment

- Health and Safety First
 - Your personal safety is essential
 - Safety briefing
 - Situational awareness
 - You have the right to a safe work assignment



**Look Up, Down, and
All Around**



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COMT UNIT 10 – SAFETY AWARENESS

Assessment of Risks and Hazards

- Damaged infrastructure
- Air transportation
- Secondary collapse
- Unfamiliar surroundings
- Electrocution
- Dangerous equipment
- Thieves and looters
- Fitness for duty
- Fall or tripping hazards
- Falling material or flying objects
- Exposure to HAZMAT
 - Contamination
 - Exposure to contaminants
- Fire and explosions



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Assessment of Risks and Hazards (Cont)

- Excessive noise
- Electrical hazards
- Contaminated air and water
- Excessive fatigue and sleep deprivation
- Contaminated food
- Adverse weather
- Stress
- Lack of security
- Safety equipment
- Escape routes
- Lack of safety zones
- Personal hygiene
- Dehydration



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COMT UNIT 10 - SAFETY AWARENESS

Personal Security

- Personal protective equipment (PPE)
- Environmental hazards
 - General
 - Local
 - Water safety
 - Decontamination
- Vehicles
 - Driving safety
 - Roadside safety



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COMT UNIT 10 - SAFETY AWARENESS

Equipment/Environment Hazards

- Aviation safety
 - Helipad areas and transportation
- Water safety
 - High water
 - Transportation
- Trip, fall, slip
- Personal hygiene
 - Health and medical
- Safety resources lists



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COMT UNIT 10 - SAFETY AWARENESS

Technical Hazards

- Radio
 - Radio Frequency (RF) Exposure
 - Physical hazards
 - OSHA tower climbing
- Electrical safety
 - Power
 - Telephone/cable (TV)



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Unit 10 Questions



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