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Interested in hosting a Traffic Incident Management class?

This 4-hour class will include training on WisDOT's Emergency Traffic Control and Scene Management Guidelines. These Guidelines provide incident responders within the state of Wisconsin a uniform approach to emergency traffic control and scene management. Having a uniform approach will help provide the safest possible work environment for all incident responders, minimize the risk for secondary crashes and aid in clearing an incident in a quick and effective manner.

To schedule a class, please contact Senior Program Assistant Naydene Olson at naydene.olson@dot.wi.gov.



Mike's Minute



Hello from the ETO/TIME team!

We wish everyone had an enjoyable holiday season and are looking forward to a safe and productive 2024. The TIME program will be attending up to 15 first responder conferences promoting the WisDOT TIME program and TIM training. Please stop by and share any concerns or recommendations.

The new TIM modules are close to being finalized. When the state's updated version is complete, we will work with our TIM instructors so they can begin using the new materials. My initial review of the available

modules reveals that FHWA has addressed many of the TIM concerns and challenges that are faced by our first responders.

A quick reminder for new communications staff—the WisDOT Traffic Management Center (Control Room) requests that agencies contact the TMC for any incident that is anticipated to have at least one state highway lane/ramp blocked for greater than 30 minutes. This action will trigger a response from the TMC.

Finally, I want to thank Vilas County Sheriff Joe Fath for sponsoring the TIM Train-the-Trainer in May. See page 3 for more information on our TIM T-t-T opportunities in 2024.

Thank you for continuing to serve...stay safe, Mike

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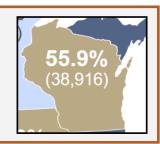
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2023 TIME Program Snapshot

82 TIM responder courses including law enforcement recruit academies with 1,952 first responders taught



55.9% of Wisconsin's first responders trained as of 12/31/23





Our Valued Volunteer Instructors

"Volunteers don't get paid, not because they're worthless, but because they're priceless."

I remember this quote from my time as the Chief of Police in West Allis and it applies to ALL our Instructors. Our 100+ TIM instructors create opportunities to bring like-minded people together and learn from those who come from different first responder experiences. This is an excellent way to expand our understanding of others, while working together to mitigate crash scenes. The TIM participants gain new skills and knowledge in areas that interest them most. Under your guidance, they network with new people and practice these important TIM principles.

We appreciate your support of the TIME program and TIM training. We thank all our instructors for their efforts and continued support. You are a priceless commodity to our first responders across the state. We would like to take this opportunity to recognize some of our volunteer instructors who have taught the most classes, since we came out of the pandemic.

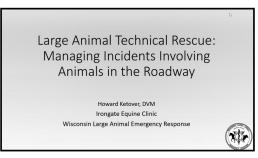
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SWR: Eric Novotny & Bryan Baumann
NER: Lance Thomas & Andrew Jacobs
NCR: Jeffrey Nett, Dan Kontos & Bob Pound
NWR: Rick Tumaniec & Mark Renderman

2023 TIME Program Snapshot



14 conferences attended reaching approximately5,000 first responders



10 virtual regional TIME meetings with 525 attendees



2 TIM train-the-trainer classes with 23 new instructors taught

Train-the-Trainer Courses

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation's (WisDOT) Traffic Incident Management Enhancement (TIME) program is once again looking for new Traffic Incident Management (TIM) instructors.

Do you believe the proper application of TIM principles at an incident scene makes all responders safer? Do you believe that TIM principles result in the quicker clearance of an incident? Do you want to teach your fellow responders these valuable tools? Then the TIME program would like you to join their ranks of instructors. The program currently has 143 TIME-trained instructors from every region of the state, but we can always use more – the more diverse the instructor pool, the better the training for the responders.

The requirements for becoming and remaining a TIME program instructor are:

- 1) You must attend the eight-hour FHWA "Train-the-Trainer" instructor program.
- 2) You are asked to teach at least one four-hour responder class annually (to remain current with the material).

All TIM instructors are 100 percent volunteers. The program does not have any funds available to compensate instructors for their time or travel. They're passionate about incident scene safety and want to share their knowledge and experience with fellow responders. We try to have two instructors from different disciplines at each four-hour class, with one having the discipline from the requesting agency.

Train-the-Trainer courses will be held on the following dates:

Saturday, May 11, 2024, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Vilas County Courthouse, located at 330 Court Street, Eagle River, WI 54521. Please submit an <u>application</u> to attend the training by April 29, 2024.

Saturday, October 26, 2024, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Traffic Management Center, located at 433 W. St. Paul Avenue, Suite 300, Milwaukee, WI 53203. Please submit an application to attend the training by October 14, 2024.

The training is free, and the TIME program will provide lunch and all teaching materials. Please consider becoming a TIM instructor. It can be very rewarding!



2024 Spring Regional TIME Meeting Schedule

Construction Projects * Connected and Automated Vehicle Workgroup Updates *
Review of Traffic Crashes * Specialized Training Topics

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| NWR Counties | NCR Counties | NER Counties | SWR Counties | SER Counties | | |
| Douglas, Bayfield, Ashland, Burnett, Washburn, Sawyer, Polk, Barron, Rusk, St. Croix, Dunn, Chippewa, Taylor, Pepin, Eau Claire, Clark, Buffalo, Trempealeau, Jackson & Pierce | Iron, Vilas, Florence, Price, Oneida, Forest, Lincoln, Langlade, Marathon, Shawano, Menominee, Wood, Portage, Waupaca, Adams, Waushara, Marquette & Green Lake | Marinette, Oconto, Door, Outagamie, Brown, Kewaunee, Winnebago, Calumet, Manitowoc, Sheboygan & Fond du Lac | La Crosse, Monroe, Juneau, Vernon, Sauk, Columbia, Dodge, Crawford, Richland, Grant, Iowa, Dane, Jefferson, Lafayette, Green & Rock | Washington, Ozaukee, Waukesha, Milwaukee, Walworth, Racine & Kenosha | | |
| Southwest Region: April 24, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. | | | | | | |
| Southeast Region: April 25, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. | | | | | | |
| Northeast Region: April 30, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. | | | | | | |
| North Central Region: April 30, 2024 from 1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. | | | | | | |
| Northwest Region: May 9, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. | | | | | | |

The meeting agendas will be sent out a week before each meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting in your region, please feel free to join another region's TIME meeting.

We look forward to your participation!

SPECIAL EVENTS AND CONFERENCES



January 2024

Human Trafficking Awareness Month National Passenger Safety Week (1/21-1/27) Wisconsin EMS Association Conference (1/30-2/2)

February 2024

Wisconsin Police Leadership Foundation Conference (2/4-2/7)
Wisconsin Sheriffs & Deputy Sheriffs Association Conference (2/11-2/14)

March 2024

Flood Safety Awareness Week (TBD)
Governor's Conference on Emergency Management & Homeland Security (3/13-3/15)
Wisconsin State Firefighters Association Conference (3/21-3/23)

April 2024

National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week (4/14-4/20)
National Work Zone Awareness Week (4/17-4/21)
Tornado & Severe Weather Awareness Week (TBD)

May 2024

APWA Wisconsin Chapter Conference (5/1-5/3) WIPSCOM Conference (5/12-5/15) Emergency Medical Services Week (5/19-5/25)

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