

Lexington Fayette NIMS Executive Order

RESOLUTION NO. _____
RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM
(NIMS) AS THE STANDARD IN LEXINGTON-FAYETTE COUNTY FOR INCIDENT
MANAGEMENT DURING EMERGENCIES OR DISASTERS.

WHEREAS, the President in Homeland Security Directive (HSPD)-5, directed the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security to develop and administer a National Incident Management System (NIMS), which would provide a consistent nationwide approach for Federal, State, local, and tribal governments to work together more effectively and efficiently to prevent, prepare for, respond to and recover from domestic incidents, regardless of cause, size or complexity;

WHEREAS, the collective input and guidance from all Federal, State, local, and tribal homeland security partners has been, and will continue to be, vital to the development, effective implementation and utilization of a comprehensive NIMS;

WHEREAS, it is necessary and desirable that all Federal, State, local and tribal emergency agencies and personnel coordinate their efforts to effectively and efficiently provide the highest levels of incident management;

WHEREAS, to facilitate the most efficient and effective incident management Federal, State, local, and tribal organizations must utilize standardized terminology, standardized organizational structures, interoperable communications, consolidated action plans, unified command structures, uniform personnel qualification standards, uniform standards for planning, training, and exercising, comprehensive resource management, and designated incident facilities during emergencies or disasters;

WHEREAS, the NIMS standardized procedures for managing personnel, communications, facilities and resources will improve the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government's ability to utilize funding to enhance local agency readiness, maintain first responder safety and streamline incident management processes.

WHEREAS, the Incident Command System components of NIMS are already an integral part of various incident management activities throughout the Commonwealth, including current emergency management training programs; and

WHEREAS, the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks (9-11 Commission) recommended adoption of a standardized Incident Command System;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT:

Section 1. That the Preamble to this Resolution be and the same is incorporated herein.

Section 2. That the National Incident Management System (NIMS) be and hereby is established as the Lexington-Fayette County standard for incident management during emergencies and disasters.

Section 3 - That this Resolution shall become effective on the date of its passage.

PASSED URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL:

/s/ Linda Gorton
MAYOR

ATTEST:

/s/ Abigail Allen
CLERK OF URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL

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