



**Santa Clara County
Fire Department
&
South Bay Regional Public
Safety Training Consortium**



**S-244: Field Observer &
S-245: Display Processor**

Class Description:

S-244: This course provides the student with the skills necessary to perform as a field observer (FOBS) and/or a fire effects monitor (FEMO). Topics include roles & responsibilities of the FOBS & FEMO; how to make observations & document those observations; how to produce hand drawn & GPS field maps; & how to navigate using a compass & GPS. The navigation unit has 4 ½ hours of field exercises and the final field exercise is 8 hours.

S-245: This course provides students with the skills necessary to perform as a Display Processor (DPRO). Topics include general roles & responsibilities & how to assist the situation unit leader with producing incident maps, inputs for the Incident Status Summary (ICS-209) & other incident products. The final exam is 3 hours.

Students will need hardhats, sturdy walking shoes with ankle support, and a GPS. The preferred system would be a Garmin 60 series. Students are encouraged to bring a Kestrel or belt weather kit and their own compass. If you need to purchase one, a Silva Ranger, Suunto, or a Brunton with a clinometer and sight mirror is the preferred option. Students will need to provide their own lunch and water for the field day. Students are encouraged to hike in their line gear for the field exercise.

Prerequisites:

Basic Land Navigation: Students must complete the workbook exercises and bring copies of the completed questions with them to the first day of class.

S-244: S-290; Qualified as a Single Resource Boss or NWCG Firefighter Type 1 or SFT Firefighter 2 with completion of G131 or equivalent; Ability to use a GPS receiver; Successful completion of pre-course work. Course completion

certification cannot be issued until prerequisite Certs and Quals can be verified.
Please bring copies of Certs and Quals the first day of the course.

S-245: Successful completion of pre-course work.



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**Instructor: Captain Matt Brown
Santa Clara County Fire Department**

Captain Brown has been assigned to NorCal 2 Federal Incident Management Team for three seasons as the team's Situation Unit Leader. He is qualified in several CICC positions and a graduate of S-590. He holds a Bachelor's of Science degree from UCLA and has worked on several state and federal wildland curriculum development committees, but still remains a student of fire behavior.

Tuition Includes: FOBS Resource Guide, UTM and 1:24 K map rulers

**Location: McCormack Training Center
Sunnyoaks Fire Station
485 W. Sunnyoaks Avenue
Campbell, CA 95008**

**Date & Time: 3/14/16 – 3/17/16
0830 - 1730**

**Cost: S-244/S-245 = \$295
(Includes State Certification/Course Manual fees)**



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To Register, contact:

South Bay Regional Public Safety Training Consortium
(408) 270-6458
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Last day to register is Monday, February 29th, 2016, 12:00 noon.

Cancellation Policy:

To request a refund, students must contact South Bay Regional Public Safety Consortium. Full refunds will be provided if requested 14 calendar days in advance. If a class begins on Monday, then the refund deadline is noon, two Mondays prior. If a refund is requested after the 14 day deadline, no refunds will be offered unless approved by the Santa Clara County Fire Department. No refunds will be provided if the student does not attend the class, or if they begin the class but do not complete the class.

*** Class size limited to 36 students**