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## **US&R PROGRAM DIRECTIVE – 2015-002**

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**FOR:** National Urban Search & Rescue Response System  
Task Force Representatives

**FROM:** Fred Endrikat, Chief  
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**SUBJECT:** US&R Program Directive 2015-002 – US&R Hazardous Materials Specialist  
Course Curriculum Update

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The National Urban Search and Rescue (US&R) Response System (the System) Hazardous Materials Subgroup has completed developing the latest iteration of the course curriculum for the System's Hazardous Materials Specialist Course. This course is designed to be delivered at the task force level by established instructors pursuant to GM 2015-001 – *2015 US&R Instructor List*. The curriculum is hosted on the Central Division website and will be migrated to the US&R Learning Management System, as funding permits.

### **REQUIRED ACTIONS**

System task forces and resources delivering the US&R Hazardous Materials Specialist Course are directed to use the current course curriculum located on the Central Division website at: <http://usarcd.org/femawmd.php>.

Any questions regarding this Program Directive should be directed to Mr. Joe Hiponia of the US&R Branch at [joe.hiponia@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:joe.hiponia@fema.dhs.gov) or (202) 212-3511. Any questions regarding the course curriculum should be directed to the Hazmat Subgroup Leader, Mr. Tom Neal at [thomas.neal@indy.gov](mailto:thomas.neal@indy.gov) or (317) 327-6762.

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