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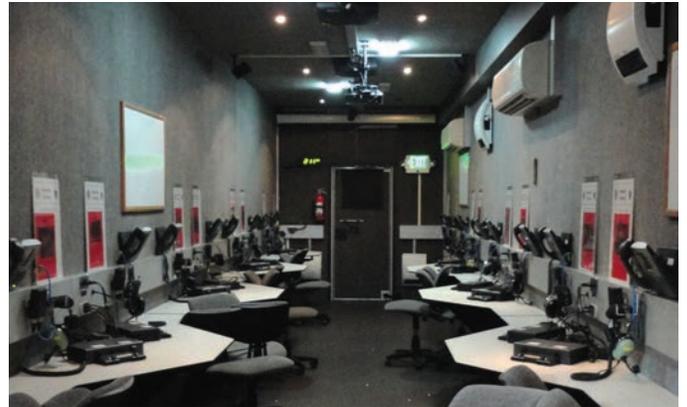
Massachusetts Firefighting Academy Mobile Training Units

INCIDENT COMMAND SIMULATION

The Massachusetts Firefighting Academy has four mobile training units that make it easy to deliver fire service training anywhere in Massachusetts. The mobile units include a SCBA maze, a driver training simulator, a live fire training unit, and an incident command training simulator.

The Incident Command Simulator (SIM Lab) is a mobile computer lab that can be delivered to Massachusetts fire departments for incident command training. The SIM Lab allows firefighters, company officers and incident commanders to practice incident management in a controlled environment.

The SIM Lab can be used for a wide variety of fire and emergency response training activities. Scenarios include fires in single family homes, commercial buildings and restaurants; natural gas and propane leaks; and a microburst for practicing local EOC operations. In addition to training within departments, the program can be used with groups from mutual aid departments to ensure that all officers are on the same page for operations.



If requested, a classroom program on strategy and tactics can be delivered before the incident simulations, ensuring that less experienced students will be successful in the lab. Instructors use their command experience to evaluate a department's staffing and response levels when developing and conducting training activities.

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