



# NEVADA COUNTY SHERIFF'S SEARCH & RESCUE

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INCIDENT COMMAND  
SYSTEM



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**ICS ...  
Who's in charge ?  
What's my job ?**



**ICS promotes  
Communications  
& Coordination**



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**“For ICS to work all responders must understand the system and their role in it .”**





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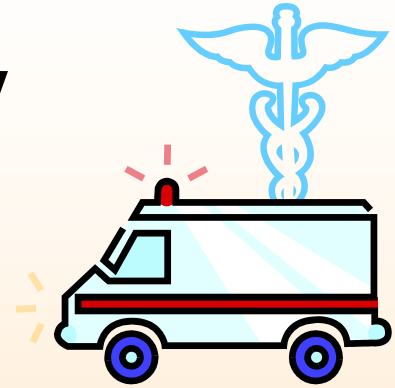


## Management Concepts

- **Common Terminology**
- **Modular Organization**
- **Manageable Span of Control**
- **Pre-designated Incident Facilities**
- **Unified Command Structure**
- **Comprehensive Resource Management**
- **Incident Action Planning**
- **Integrated Communications**



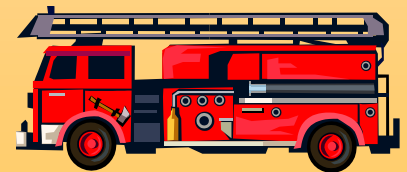
## Common Terminology



It is essential for any management system that common terminology be established for:

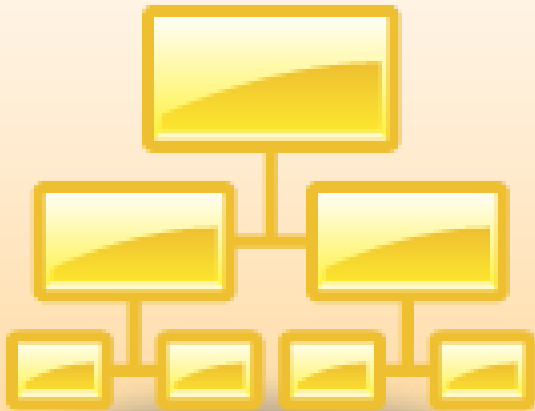


- Organizational Functions
- Resources
- Facilities





## Modular Organization



**ICS organization is designed to be modular/flexible based on the size and complexity of the incident.**



## Manageable Span of Control

**Safety factors and sound  
Management principles dictate span of control  
Considerations of 3 to 7 subordinates  
with 5 being the optimum.**





## Unified Command Structure

Procedure used at incidents which allows all agencies with geographical, legal or functional responsibility to establish a common set of incident objectives & strategies and a single Incident Action Plan.

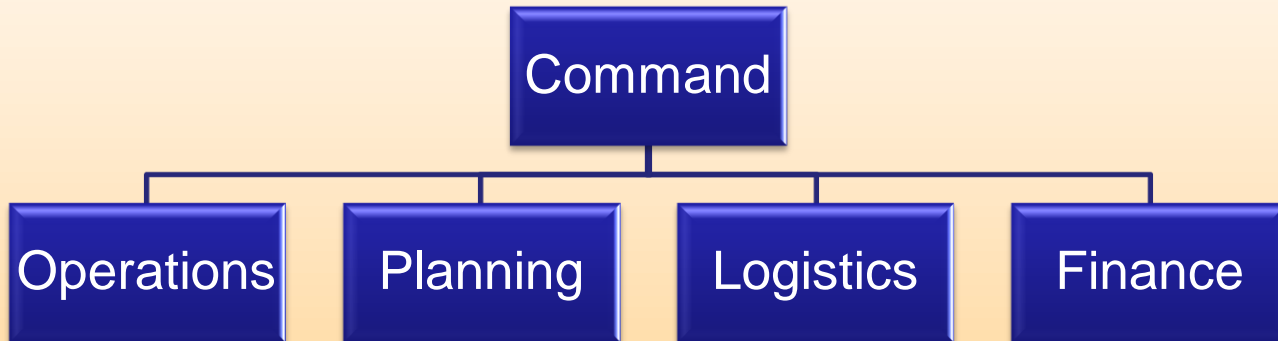






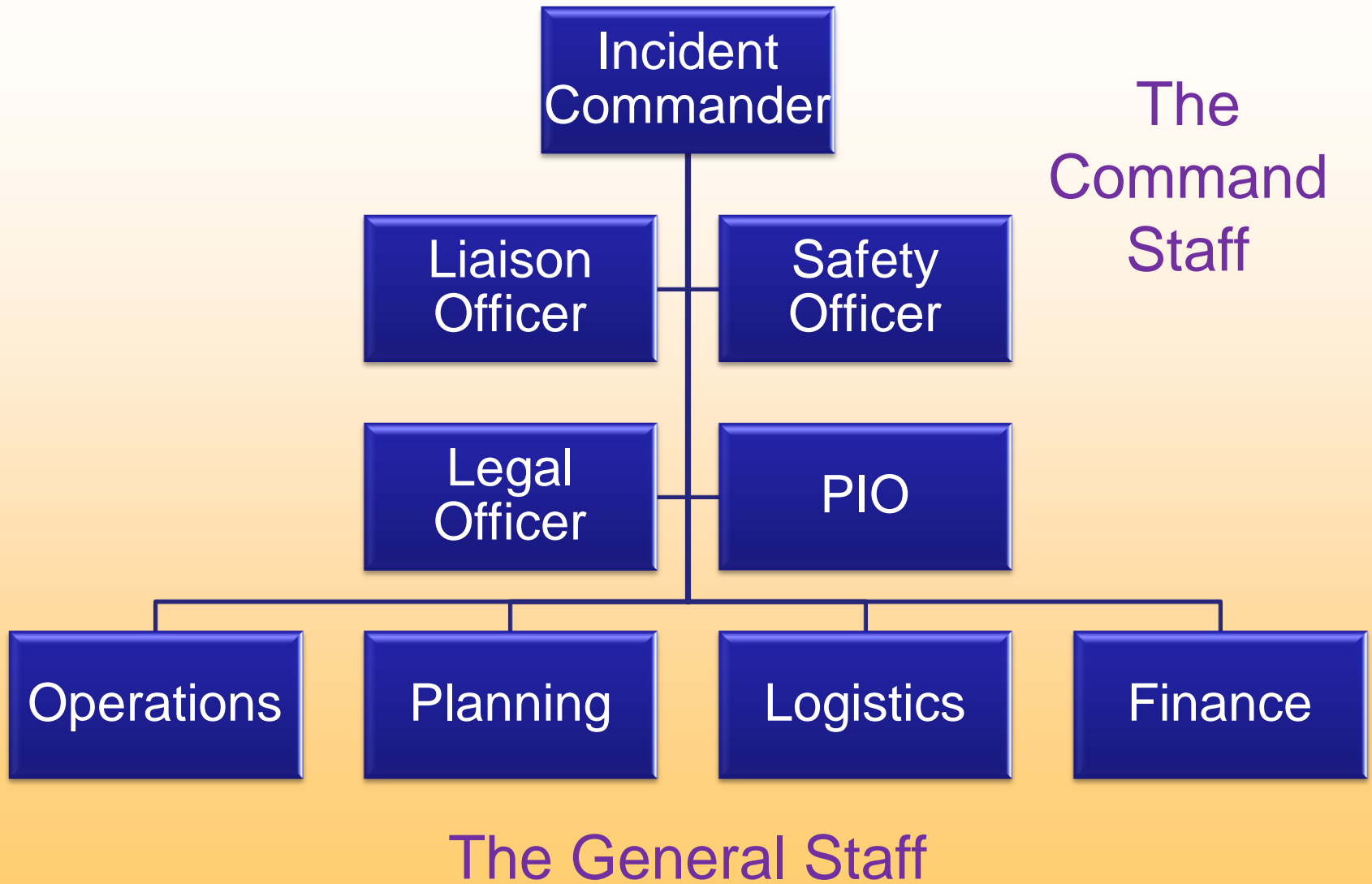
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## FIVE MAJOR FUNCTIONS





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## IC FUNCTIONS

We use 4 of the 5 functions.

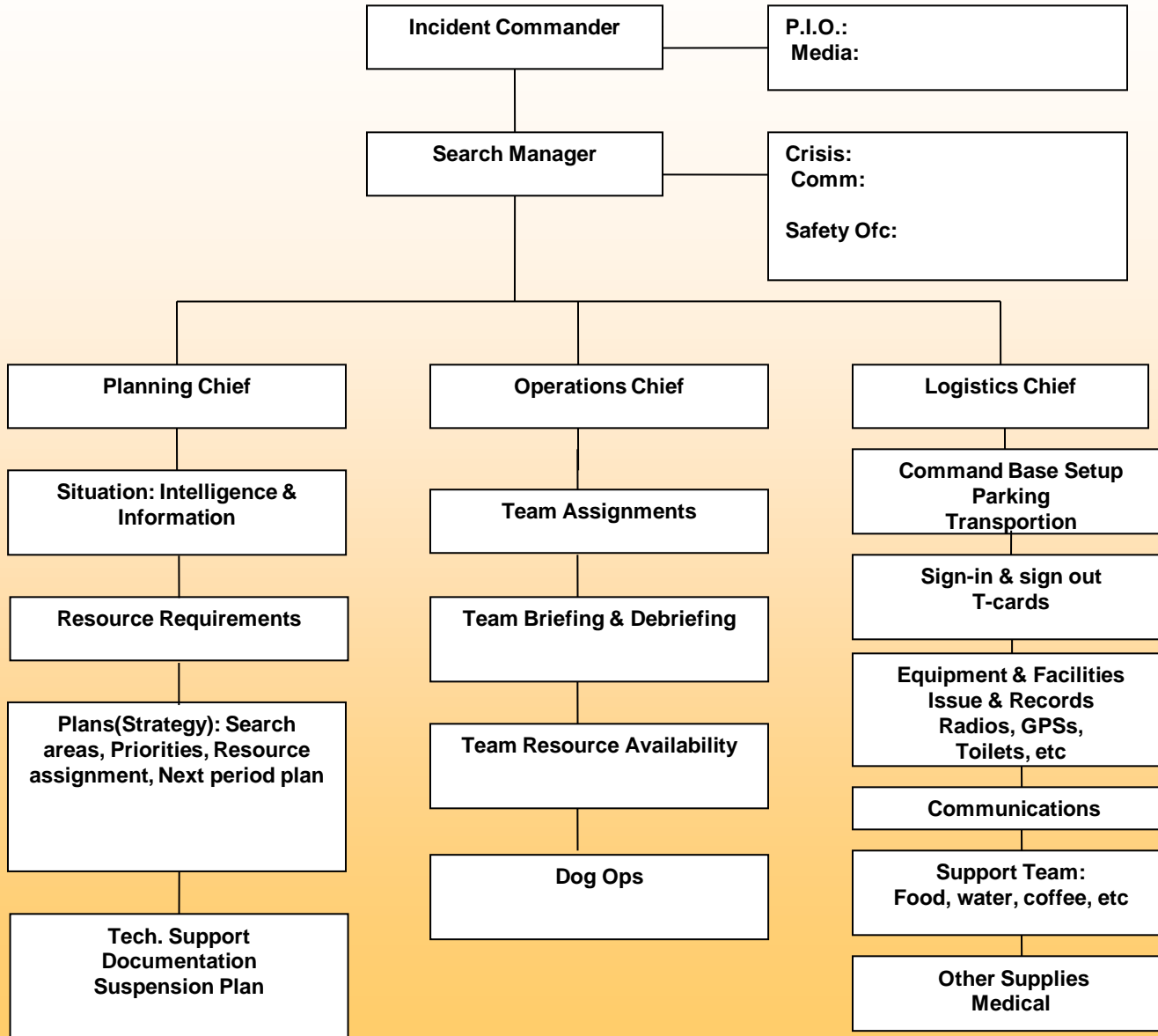
We do not use Finance

- COMMAND
- OPERATIONS
- PLANNING
- LOGISTICS



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## ICS CHART





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## IC FUNCTIONS



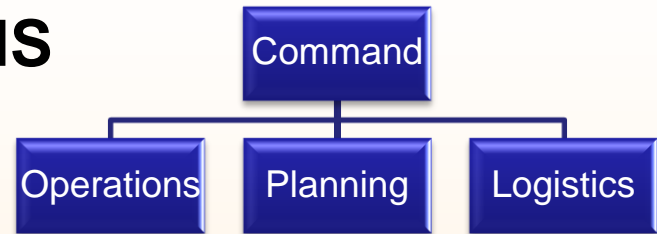
- **COMMAND**

- PROVIDES OVERALL MANAGEMENT OF INCIDENT
- CONSISTS OF INCIDENT COMMANDER (SHERIFF'S DEPUTY COORDINATOR) & SEARCH MANAGER
- CRISIS INTERVENTION OFFICER
- LARGER INCIDENTS WILL HAVE SAFETY OFFICER, LIAISON OFFICER & PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER



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## IC FUNCTIONS



- **PLANNING**

- GATHERS ALL PERTINENT INFORMATION ON SUBJECT(S)
- GATHERS MAPS OF AREA
- GETS DATA FROM SO INVESTIGATION
- GETS DATA FROM HASTY TEAM
- DEVELOPS SEARCH STRATEGY
- DETERMINES INITIAL SEARCH AREA



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## IC FUNCTIONS

- **PLANNING**
  - IDENTIFIES NATURAL BOUNDRIES
  - DEVELOPS INDIVIDUAL SEARCH SEGMENTS & TEAM ASSIGNMENTS
  - PREPARES MAPS FOR SEARCH TEAMS
  - DETERMINES RESOURCE REQUIREMENTS
  - PLANS FOR NEXT OPERATIONAL PERIOD
  - DOCUMENTS THE SEARCH EFFORT

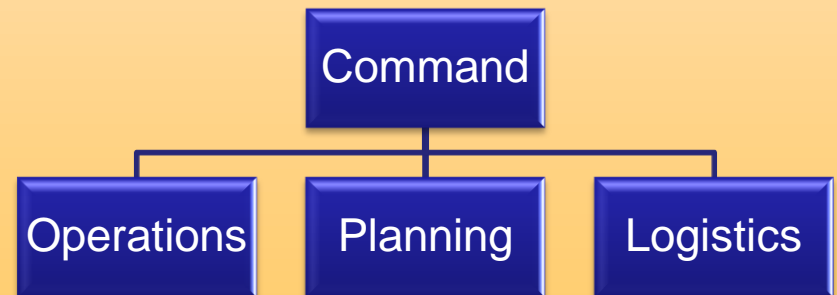


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## IC FUNCTIONS

- OPERATIONS

- COMPLETES TEAM ASSIGNMENT FORM
- PUTS SEARCH PACKETS TOGETHER INCLUDING MAPS, TEAM ASSIGNMENT FORM, HAZARD FORM & GENERAL BRIEFING FORM
- ASSIGNS TEAMS TO SEARCH SEGMENTS PROVIDED BY PLANNING AND COMMUNICATES SEARCH ASSIGNMENTS TO SEARCH TEAMS







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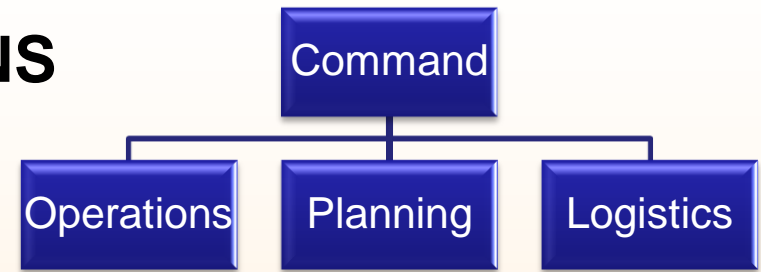
## IC FUNCTIONS

- OPERATIONS
  - INSURES SEARCH TEAMS HAVE NECESSARY EQUIPMENT, MAPS, ETC FOR SEARCH ASSIGNMENT
  - UPLOADS TEAMS GPS WITH SEARCH SEGMENTS
  - DOWNLOADS TEAMS GPS TRACKS & CLUES
  - PRINTS MAP OF AREA SEARCHED
  - CONDUCTS DEBRIEFING OF RETURNING SEARCH TEAMS



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## IC FUNCTIONS



- **LOGISTICS**

- SETS UP COMMAND POST
- SETS UP & SUPPORTS COMMUNICATIONS BASE
- HANDLES INFORMATION ON ALL PERSONNEL
  - SIGN-IN & OUT
  - T-CARD PROCESS
- HAS TEAM LEADERS & OPS SECTION CHIEF ASSESS PERSONNEL ON HAND TO FORM SEARCH TEAMS



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## IC FUNCTIONS

- **LOGISTICS**
  - MANAGES PARKING
  - ARRANGES FOR TRANSPORTATION
  - GATHERS RESOURCES AS DIRECTED
  - ARRANGES FOR PERSONAL HYGIENE



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## IC FUNCTIONS

- STAFFING (TYPICAL)
  - COMMAND (2 + SHERIFFS DEPUTY)
  - OPERATIONS (3-4)
  - PLANNING (2 OR 3)
  - COMMUNICATIONS (1)
  - LOGISTICS (2)



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## SEARCH TEAMS

- BE PATIENT, IT TAKES SOMETIME TO GET ALL TEAMS ASSIGNED.
  - FIRST WILL BE HASTY TEAM
  - NEXT WILL BE OHV'S & GROUND TEAMS FOR CONTAINMENT
  - NEXT WILL BE DOG TEAMS
  - LASTLY WILL BE GROUND AND MOUNTED TEAMS FOR AREA SEARCHES



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## SEARCH TEAMS

- WHEN ARRIVING, CHECK IN
- HAVE YOUR PACK & GEAR READY TO GO
- GATHER AT STAGING AREA – NOT COMMAND POST
  - INTERRUPTIONS EQUAL DELAYS
- LISTEN FOR YOUR TEAM ASSIGNMENT
- ASSEMBLE WITH TEAM MEMBERS
- BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU SAY AS FAMILY OR FRIENDS MAYBE NEARBY



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## SEARCH TEAMS

- WHEN BRIEFED BY OPERATIONS ALL TEAM MEMBERS SHOULD BE PRESENT
- HELP OPERATIONS BY INSURING YOU GET A COPY OF TEAM ASSIGNMENT FORM, MAPS, HAZARD SHEET & SUBJECT DATA IF AVAILABLE
- EACH TEAM SHOULD HAVE A RADIO TUNED TO THE PRIMARY SEARCH FREQUENCY, A GPS.
- TEAM MEMBERS SHOULD EACH HAVE AN FRS RADIO (FREQUENCY ASSIGNED BY OPERATIONS)



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## SEARCH TEAMS

- AT THE END OF YOUR SEARCH ASSIGNMENT, CONTACT THE DEBRIEFING TABLE AND GET ALL NECESSARY FORMS FOR THE DEBRIEFING
- TEAM MEMBER'S GPS SHOULD BE DOWNLOADED OF TRACKS & CLUES IN AREA SEARCHED & GET COPY OF SEARCH AREA WITH TRACKS SHOWN
- GET TOGETHER AS A TEAM AND FILL OUT DEBRIEFING FORM
- CONTACT AN OPERATIONS DEBRIEFER AND GO OVER DEBRIEFING FORM WITH DEBRIEFER TO ENSURE A COMMON UNDERSTANDING
- REST AND GET READY FOR ANOTHER ASSIGNMENT
- SIGN OUT BEFORE YOU LEAVE