



## SECURITY AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE TRAINING CENTER (SERTC)

**The Security and Emergency Response Training Center (SERTC) is a state-of-the-art training facility located near Pueblo, Colorado, specializing in Hazardous Materials (HazMat) and Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) responses for all forms of surface transportation.** Established in 1985, SERTC is operated by Transportation Technology Center, Inc. (TTCI), a subsidiary of the Association of American Railroads.

### **Our Mission**

Our original mission was to train railroad officials to safely handle accidents involving tank cars carrying hazardous materials. Our unique, hands-on training program proved to be so successful that attendance was soon opened to other emergency responders. We now proudly serve not only the transportation service industry, but also the public sector emergency response community, the chemical industry, government agencies, and emergency response contractors from all over the world. With a staff of seasoned instructors who began their careers in the first response industry, SERTC has trained more than 65,000 students worldwide.

### **Our Commitment**






The SERTC staff strives to provide professional, high quality, and realistic HazMat training that is valued by our nation's first responders and emergency personnel. We are committed to ensuring that each course participant

understands the processes that will help them successfully address surface transportation incidents involving HazMat/WMD, and the options that are available to them as a responder and/or incident commander.

### **Training**

Along with classroom and hands-on instruction, our full-scale training scenarios are built with actual transportation equipment similar to what responders encounter in the field. Our multi-pronged approach to training helps participants prepare for real-world emergencies by developing proficiency and confidence through rigorous, integrated programs that are designed to coordinate classroom instruction, hands-on techniques, and scenario-based field exercises.

Visit us at [www.sertc.org](http://www.sertc.org) to learn about the many dynamic classes available.

-  • Highway Emergency Response Specialist (HERS)
-  • Tank Car Specialist (TCS)
-  • Leadership & Management of Surface Transportation Incidents (LMSTI)
-  • HazMat/WMD Technician for Surface Transportation (HWMDTST)
-  • Crude By Rail Emergency Response (CBR)
- Tactical HazMat Operations in Surface Transportation (THMOST)
- Managing Unmanned Aerial Systems in Emergency Response (MUASER)
- Transportation Container Loading and Unloading Emergency Response (TCLUER)



## Registering for DHS/FEMA funded courses

### Step 1: Do I Qualify?

Qualifying individuals must be from state, local, or tribal organizations. Federal employees are not eligible to apply; however, they may use their own funding through Open Enrollment. Availability of cooperative agreement funding is contingent upon completing the application and SAA's approval process.  
One application per course.

### Step 2: Have SAA & SID Data Ready.

SAA data can be found here:

<https://cdp.dhs.gov/contact/saa>

NEW SID data here:

<https://cdp.dhs.gov/femasid/register>

### Step 3: Pick a Course Date and Apply.

Use the calendar on our website to find course date and description information.

Then apply online:

<http://sertc.org/register/ndcp-application/>

### Step 4: Finish your Application.

Once complete, you will receive an email with the "Application Form" with further instructions.

### Step 5: Print and Sign Your Application.

Print the application, sign and have your supervisor sign.

### Step 6: Fax the Application to your SAA

It is your responsibility to follow up with your SAA to confirm receipt of your application. Applications do not guarantee a seat which are registered on a first-come / first-serve basis, depending upon seating availability.

### Step 7. New REAL ID - New Site Access Requirement for TTCI Visitors

In accordance with the REAL ID Act being enforced by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security all visitors to federal facilities, including TTC, must provide proof of identification from a compliant REAL ID state. Prior to visiting our site, please use the following link to check the status of your ID. Instructions for individuals from noncompliant states are also provided.

<http://www.dhs.gov/secure-drivers-licenses>

