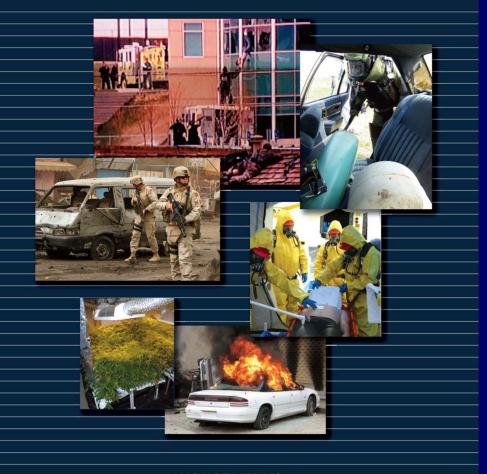
# FIRST RESPONDER CRITICAL INCIDENT GUIDE



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#### **Overview**

- Identifies key functions that are essential for first responders (Fire, EMS, Law Enforcement, Special Teams, Military, etc.) during the first 10–30 minutes of a "critical incident".
- It addresses recognition, identification and response issues that first responders must deal with prior to the arrival of those with specialized training and equipment.

First Responder Critical Incident Field Guide affords first responders and military personnel with easy to access information to ensure safe and effective response to any type of critical incident occurring in today's dynamic and changing emergency response environment.



Easy-to-follow response procedures for the following incidents:

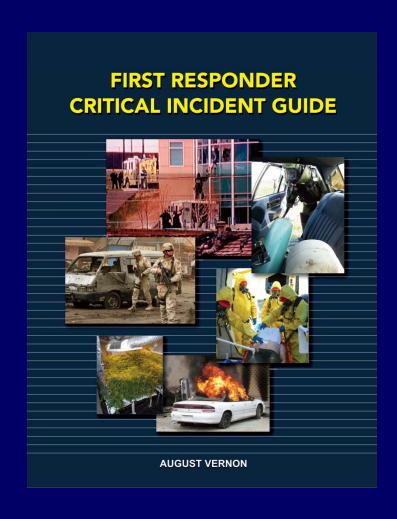
- Bottle Bombs
- Improvised Explosive Devices
- Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Device (VBIED)
- Continued IED Threat / Attack
- Suspicious Letter / Package Indicators
- Suspicious Powders / Substances Indicators and Response
- Clandestine Drug Labs
- Indoor Marijuana Grow Operations
- Civil Unrest Planning and Response
- Mass Shooting / Active Shooter
- Fire/EMS Scene Safety at Scenes of Violence
- Suicide Bomber
- Bomb Threats
- Explosives Post-Blast Response

User friendly.

Paper version and field version.

Guide can be used in classroom, in-service training and in the field.

Technical Committee reviewed.



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- Easy to read. Large readable type for low light and flashlight conditions.
- Each section is numbered, titled and color coded to facilitate using the guide.
- Two versions of the guide
  - Paper classroom guide
  - Field guide (amphibious) version
- The field guide is very durable. It is printed on a synthetic paper that is both water and tear resistant.



- Guide has gone through a detailed final, third party review to address all critical incident safety concerns —illness, injury and death to responders, military personnel and civilians.
- Special credit to the final reviewers, all, who have a tremendous amount of experience, skills and knowledge in their areas of emergency response expertise.

#### **Technical Committee**

17 reviewers from the United States, Israel and Australia and represented law enforcement, bomb squads, tactical teams, fire-rescue, hazmat, emergency management, EMS and military special operations.

The guide has also been sent out to several "field testers" from many of the largest and busiest public safety departments in the U.S. This field testing process ensures that the guide will have the most current and accurate information.

 The guide is OPEN SOURCE. There is no classified or sensitive information discussed in the guide.

The information in the guide is current and accurate and does not reveal information that might be helpful to the "bad guys" — terrorists and criminals.

 Specialized tactical teams — bomb squad, hazmat team, clan lab team — can take a long time to arrive on site of a Critical Incident.

 This guide provides response functions that first responders can utilize to ensure they are meeting the needs of the incident while providing the safest response.

### Using the Guide

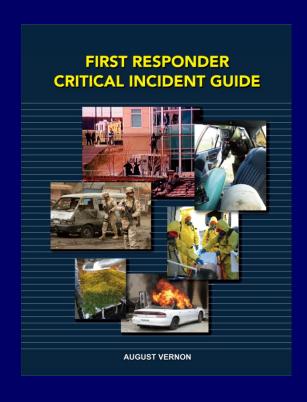
- Responders should become familiar with this guide prior to an emergency.
- It is suggested that you use this guide during your planning, training and exercising efforts. The Critical Incident Field Guide is not intended to replace formalized training, just supplement it.

 In no way can this field guide cover all the problems and contingencies for every type of critical incident that can be faced by first responders and military personnel.

 Even though this book is based on commonly used practices, references, laws, regulations, and consensus standards, it is not meant to set a standard of operations for any emergency response organization.

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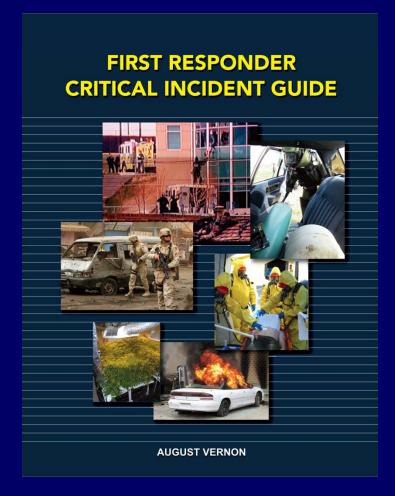


A final thought for our military personnel and contractors who have served, are serving or will serve in high risk locations across the Globe.





## Questions?



THANK YOU!

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