



**TEXAS CIVIL DEFENSE
INFORMATION PACKAGE**

www.texascivildefense.org



Mission

Our purpose is simple: the education and safety of our communities. By using the courses and information provided by FEMA and the Red Cross, we have developed Disaster Preparedness programs targeted for specific age ranges. Because our members come to us with expertise in other areas, we are also able to offer Rape Prevention/Defense Skills training and Gun Safety classes.

Members volunteer their own time to provide this training, often taking vacation time from work or taking time out from their own businesses to teach. We are dedicated to serve our communities and are always looking for other dedicated volunteers, particularly in the medical field so that we can expand our training portfolio. We currently have groups that meet in various cities around the DFW metroplex.

Purpose

- To provide schools and local communities with training in the fields of Disaster Preparedness, proper Gun Safety, Rape Crisis, First Aid, CPR and other training as needed for Individual and Collective personal needs within a given community
- To maintain a properly trained and equipped unit, available for prompt mobilization in the event of a community, state, or national emergency or as directed by the State Headquarters of the Texas Civil Defense to conduct exercises and training with Municipal Agencies in Emergency Management in the case of a natural or man-made disaster
- To provide information in Emergency Disaster Preparedness to organized civilian and military groups including: Military Veteran Groups, Civilian Retirement Centers, Schools, Professional Groups, Churches, and other Religious Organizations and such other groups available

Membership

Membership is open to all US Citizens over the age of 17 who have clean criminal records and who want to serve their communities by teaching and responding to emergencies.

Our members come from all different career fields including marketing, education, police, EMT, and manufacturing. Previous military experience is not required.

The fee membership is \$55.00, which includes initial membership warrant, ID card, one shoulder patch, one flag patch and one TCD uniform tape, one black TCD shirt and one black TCD cap.

Annual dues of \$20 begin the year following the first complete year of membership.

For more information, visit www.texascivildefense.org or email directly to toc43189@yahoo.com

APPLICATION FOR WARRANT TEXAS CIVIL DEFENSE

DIRECTIONS

1. Make sure you have read and fully understand the qualifications.
2. Fill out this form completely and include a resume, certificates of training or awards, discharge documents, etc.
3. Return this form along with your cash, check or money order made payable to *Texas Civil Defense* for the application fee of **\$55**. This covers the cost of your id card, warrant, and one set of uniform patches, TCD shirt, cap.
4. Annual membership fee of \$20 due in January after the first full year

Name:
 Last _____ First _____
 Middle _____
 Sex ___ M ___ F Age: _____
 Date of Birth: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ County: _____ State: _____
 Zip Code: _____
 How Long in current County? _____
 If less than 10 years, previous county? _____
 Phone: Work (_____) _____
 Home (_____) _____
 Mobile (_____) _____
 E-MAIL Address: _____
 DL# & State _____
 Social Security #: _____

Education: (Circle Highest Year Completed)
 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20

Did Graduate _____ Did Not Graduate _____, But Have A GED _____

Marital Status: _____ Married _____ Single _____ Other _____

Military Service Record: Are you a veteran of the Active Duty Military Service, or the Reserves or National or State Guard?
 ___ Yes ___ No

If you answered "yes" to the above question, please fill out the following:

Branch of Service _____ Highest rank
 Attained _____ Years of service _____

Dates of service - From: _____ TO: _____

***NOTE: Please attach the proper document that will verify your military service (DD214, NGB23, etc.) plus any other documents to support your application, i.e., degrees, education certificates, etc.**

Have you ever been convicted of a Felony or a crime of moral turpitude: Yes _____ No _____ If you have answered yes to either of these questions please use the space on the back of this application to explain your answers.

OATH OF APPLICATION

I, _____ DO SOLEMNLY SWEAR THAT I HAVE READ THE QUALIFICATIONS AND MISSION STATEMENT COMPLETELY, THAT I HAVE MET THE QUALIFICATIONS, THAT I FULLY SUPPORT THE MISSIONS AND PURPOSE OF **TEXAS CIVIL DEFENSE**, THAT I WILL CONDUCT MYSELF APPROPRIATELY AND WILL BE SINCERE IN MY EFFORTS TO HELP MAKE MY COMMUNITY SAFER AND BETTER ABLE TO DEAL WITH DISASTER AND THREATS OF DOMESTIC TERRORISM. AS A MEMBER OF THE **TEXAS CIVIL DEFENSE**, I FULLY UNDERSTAND THAT I WILL NOT CARRY A WEAPON OF ANY TYPE WHILE ENGAGED IN ANY UNIT ACTIVITY OR WHILE REPRESENTING THE **TEXAS CIVIL DEFENSE** UNLESS AUTHORIZED BY PROPER CIVIL OR MILITARY AUTHORITY AND THAT VIOLATION OR NON-COMPLIANCE WITH THIS POLICY WILL RESULT IN PERMANENT DISMISSAL FROM THE ORGANIZATION. I AFFIRM BY MY SIGNATURE. I UNDERSTAND THAT MY SIGNATURE BELOW AUTHORIZES THE **TEXAS CIVIL DEFENSE** TO RUN A CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK AS A CONDITION OF MEMBERSHIP.

Date: _____ Signature: _____

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Rank	Date
Signatures Required of at least 3 Board Members to certify acceptance and assigned rank.	
_____ MG T. Coppock	_____ MAJ R. Ramsey
_____ COL BJ Bounds	_____ MAJ Tim OConnor
_____ CSM M. Bounds	



TCD Volunteer Expectations

As a volunteer for the Texas Civil Defense, you are an important member of our staff and act as a representative of our organization to the community at large. For a better understanding of what you can expect as a volunteer and what is expected of you by our organization, we ask you to read and **sign below** the following information.

TCD will provide for you:

- Beneficial and life-enriching experiences.
- Specialized training and tools for specific responsibilities
- A specific job description detailing duties and responsibilities.
- Opportunities for professional development and social interaction with other volunteers.

TCD requires that you:

- Maintain monthly contact with your division commander or his/her representative
- Attend monthly meetings
- Notify your commander/representative beforehand if you will be absent or if you will be tardy
- Be On-Time to all meetings and events
- Choose an assignment within your abilities, interests, and time.
- Complete all assigned or recommended FEMA courses and submit certificates to HQ personnel.
- Conduct community training classes when appropriate and with pre-approval or notification
- Conduct yourself in an appropriate and ethical manner at all times when dealing with the public and fellow volunteers
- Only use TCD logos, uniforms, and equipment for pre-approved TCD business only.

Special Circumstances:

- If you are absent from monthly meetings without prior notification more than 2 times consecutively, you will be subject to dismissal.
- If you accrue more than 3 unexcused absences within the calendar year, you will be subject to dismissal.

This document does not create or establish an employee-employer relationship. The volunteer expressly agrees the position with Texas Civil Defense is a volunteer position and not a contractual relationship. By signing this document the volunteer agrees to hold harmless Texas Civil Defense for all claims arising from their relationship with Texas Civil Defense, including any claims in tort, negligence, or injury arising from their duties with Texas Civil Defense. By signing this agreement the volunteer voluntarily waives the right to pursue any claims against Texas Civil Defense.

By my signature I declare that I have read, understand, and agree with all parts of this document and will strive to fulfill all parts therein.

Printed Name

Signature

Date Signed