



State of Michigan
Communications Unit Work Group
(COMU WG)

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Communications Unit
Work Group
(COMU WG)

AuxComm
Work Group

Michigan COMU

State of Michigan Recognized COML/COMT

- Established Michigan COMU recognition procedure
- Procedure approved by the MPSCIB

Procedure Overview

1. Take a qualifying COML or COMT class
2. After class, complete all necessary tasks and obtain all signatures to complete the Position Task Book (PTB)
3. Complete and submit the COMU Recognition Application with all supporting documentation
4. Listing in CASM and Michigan certificate issued upon approval by MPSCIB

Michigan COMU

State of Michigan Recognized COML/COMT

Current Michigan COMU Position Numbers:

COML = 22

Pending Approval = 2

COMT = 10

Pending Approval = 4

COMMUNICATIONS TRAINED PERSONNEL ARE NEEDED!

Michigan COMMEX August 2016



For three days during August 2016, over 40 people participated in the first Michigan COMMEX. 8 Communication Unit Leaders (COML's) and 7 Communication Unit Technicians (COMT's) were exercised in addition to 4 Radio Operators (RADO's).

Michigan COMMEX August 2016

COMT Practical Workshop



COML / RADO
Operations within
ICS

Michigan COML Training Class

- April 5-7, 2017
- <https://mi.train.org>
- Class is at the EMHSD Training Center in Dimondale
- Ray Hasil and John Imeson are instructing
- Prerequisites for attendance are:
 - IS-100.b, Introduction to the ICS
 - IS-200.b, ICS for Single Resources and Initial Incidents
 - ICS-300, Intermediate ICS for Expanding Incidents
 - IS-700.a, National Incident Management System (NIMS), an Introduction
 - IS-800.b, National Response Framework (NRF)

Michigan CASM Data

- Continual updating of data into CASM
 - Keeping data current/relevant
- Cleanup of systems
- Cleanup of towers
- Cleanup of state agency data

Michigan CASM Data

- Cleanup of mutual aid channels/talk-groups
- CASM mobile app (via Public Safety Tools)
- Ongoing updates of communications resource information

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COMU Workgroup Meetings

- Two (2) face to face meetings a year
- Monthly conference call meetings
- Special / planning meetings as needed
- Task work and collaboration done online via Michigan's COMU WG SharePoint site

Things to come...

- **Additional COML Training Classes**
- **Planning COMMEX Exercise 2018**
- **Working on establishing COMT Training Classes**
- **Updating/Adding more/useful communications resource information into CASM**
- **Ongoing outreach and education efforts**
 - **Meeting with Regional Committees/Boards**
 - **Meeting with Local Communications Leaders**
 - **Online and Handout media information distribution**

Things to come...

- Working with MSP/EMHSD adding communications resource information to MI-CIMS (WebEOC®)
- Collaboration with Aux-Comm Work Group and MSP/EMHSD on “credentialing” solutions
- Collaboration of MI-TERT (Michigan Telecommunicator Emergency Response Taskforce) resources into COMU plan and communications resource asset databases
- Collaboration with the MPSCIB/SWIC on strategy updates to the Michigan Statewide Communications Interoperability Plan (SCIP)

Acronyms

- **AuxComm WG- Auxiliary Communications Work Group (Michigan)**
- **CASM- Communication Assets Survey & Mapping**
- **COML- All-Hazard Communications Unit Leader**
- **COMMEX- Communications Unit Exercise**
- **COMT- All-Hazard Communications Unit Technician**
- **COMU WG- Communications Unit Work Group (Michigan)**
- **EMHSD- Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division (Michigan)**
- **ICS- Incident Command System**
- **MPSCIB- Michigan Public Safety Communications Interoperability Board (Michigan)**
- **MI-CIMS- Michigan Critical Incident Management System (Michigan)**
- **MI-TERT- Michigan Telecommunicator Emergency Response Taskforce**
- **NIMS- National Incident Management System**
- **NRF- National Response Framework**
- **PTB- Position Task Book**
- **RADO- All-Hazard Radio Operator**
- **SCIP- Statewide Communication Interoperability Plan**
- **SWIC- Statewide Interoperability Coordinator**



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