



CERT Organization

- ◆ Describe the CERT organization.
- ◆ Identify how CERTs interrelate with ICS.
- ◆ Explain documentation requirements.

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Purpose of On-Scene Management

- ◆ Maintain safety of disaster workers.
- ◆ Provide clear leadership and organizational structure.
- ◆ Improve effectiveness of rescue efforts.



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Need for CERT Organization

Provides:

- ◆ Common terminology that contributes to effective communication and shared understanding.
- ◆ Effective communication among team members.
- ◆ A well-defined management structure.
- ◆ Accountability.



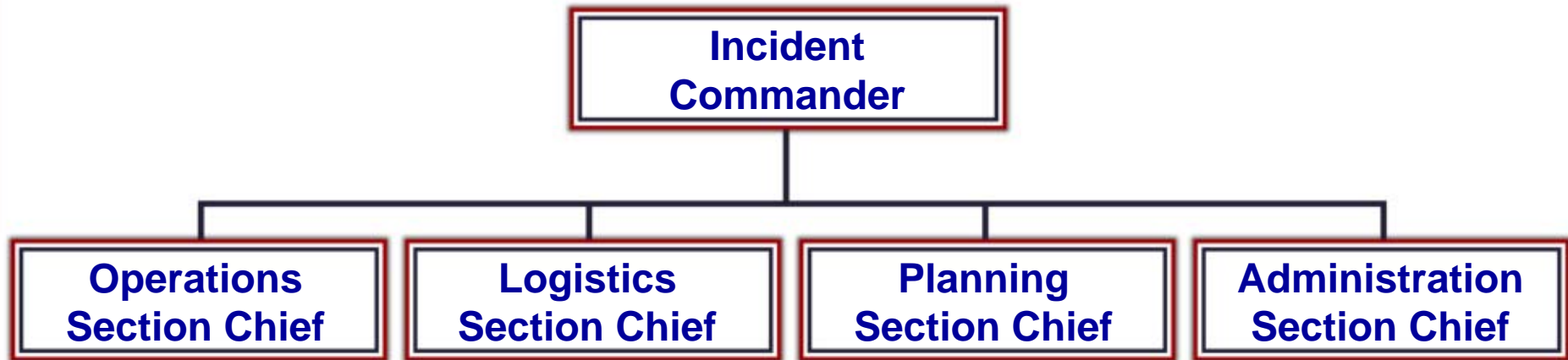
Objectives of CERT Organization

- ◆ Identifies the scope of the incident
- ◆ Determines an overall strategy
- ◆ Deploys resources
- ◆ Documents actions and results



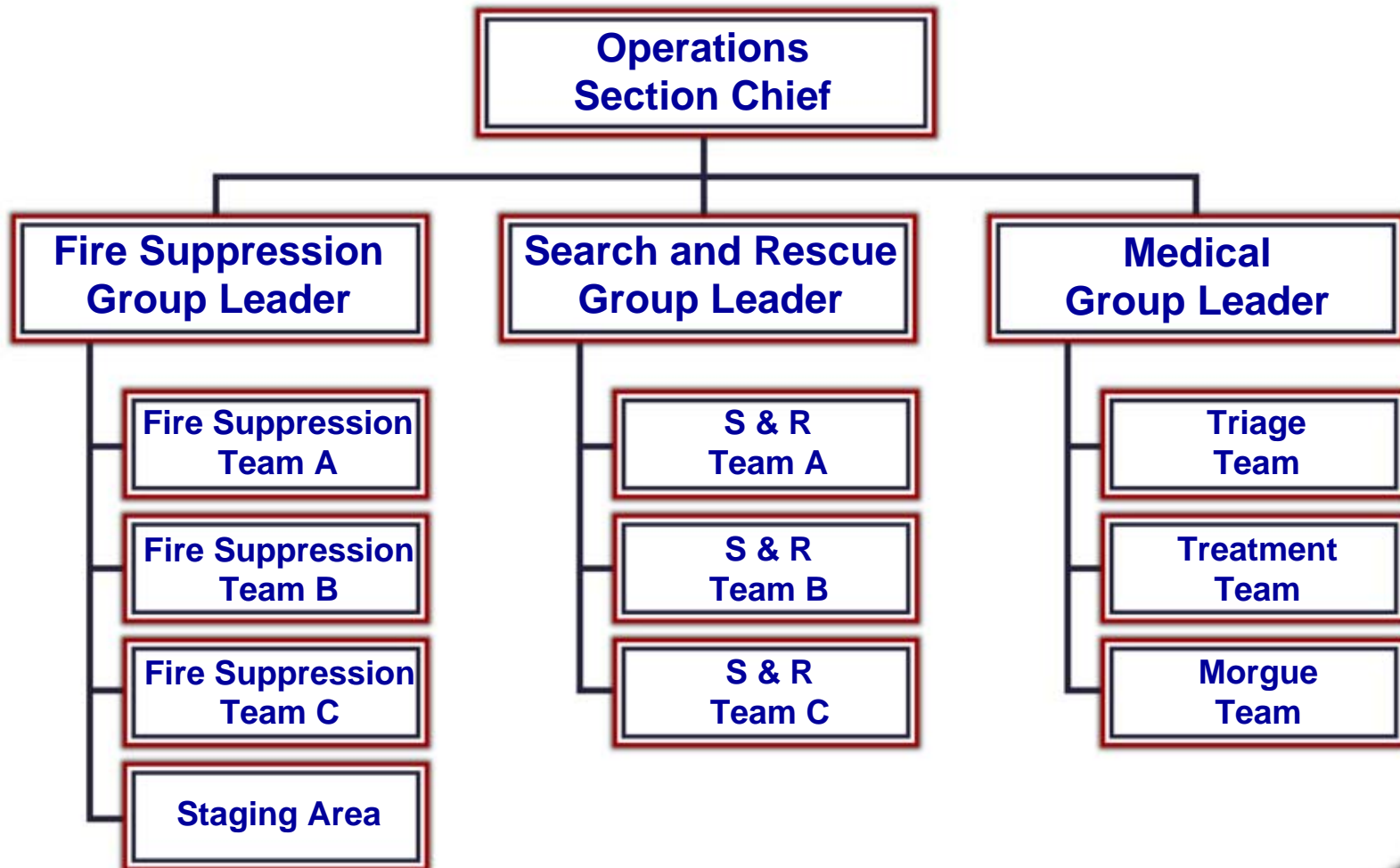
CERT and the ICS

Basic ICS Structure



CERT Structure

CERT Command Structure



CERT Decisionmaking

- ◆ Heavy damage = No rescue
- ◆ Moderate damage = Minimize rescuers and time in building
- ◆ Light damage = Locate, triage, treat, and prioritize victim removal



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Responsibilities for Documentation

- ◆ Provide command post with ongoing information.
- ◆ Document incident status.
 - Incident locations
 - Access routes
 - Identified hazards
 - Support locations

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