



**Iowa Statewide Interoperable Communications System (ISICS)
Standards, Protocols, Procedures**

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1. Purpose or Objective

The purpose of this standard is to establish a process for entities utilizing the ISICS Platform to announce which interoperable resources are being used for a planned or unplanned emergent event and to announce Type 4 or greater [National Incident Management System \(NIMS\)](#) events and/or situations that are [Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health \(IDLH\)](#) or that could rapidly evolve and/or put the public and response personnel in danger. These include but are not limited to pursuits, significant vehicle accidents, large fires, HAZMAT and others.

2. Technical Background

- **Capabilities**

The ISICS Platform provides enough resources for an announcement to be made to communicate to necessary personnel to respond to a NIMS Type 4 and/or IDLH event such as a planned or unplanned emergent event that could rapidly evolve and/or put the public and response personnel in danger, and which ISICS talkgroup(s) are being utilized for the event if necessary.

- **Constraints**

Coordination and communication are vital for the success of the mission and safety of personnel.

3. Operational Context

A NIMS Type 4 or greater or IDLH event such as a planned or unplanned emergent event that could rapidly evolve and/or put the public and response personnel in danger is often dynamic and necessitates communication and collaboration among public safety communications centers and in-field personnel.

4. Recommended Protocol/Standard

All ISICS connected equipment shall adhere to the minimum programming requirements in [ISICS Standard 1.7.0 - Minimum Programming Requirements](#).

At a minimum public safety and public service communication centers are required to monitor the regional calling talkgroup in which their communication center resides.

5. Recommended Procedure

Upon initiation of a NIMS Type 4 and/or IDLH event, such as a planned or unplanned emergent event that could rapidly evolve and/or put the public and response personnel in danger, the initiating agency shall make an announcement on their regional calling talkgroup

Region 1 use: Region 1 CALLING 11 (R1 CALL11)
Region 2 use: Region 2 CALLING 21 (R2 CALL21)
Region 3 use: Region 3 CALLING 31 (R3 CALL31)
Region 4 use: Region 4 CALLING 41 (R4 CALL41)
Region 5 use: Region 5 CALLING 51 (R5 CALL51)
Region 6 use: Region 6 CALLING 61 (R6 CALL61)

and, if necessary, a statewide calling talkgroup regarding which regional or statewide interoperable tactical (TAC) talkgroup will be used once the responding personnel have been moved to that talkgroup.

6. Management

The ISICSB Training and Exercise Committee will ensure that a training module is created for this ISICS Standard.