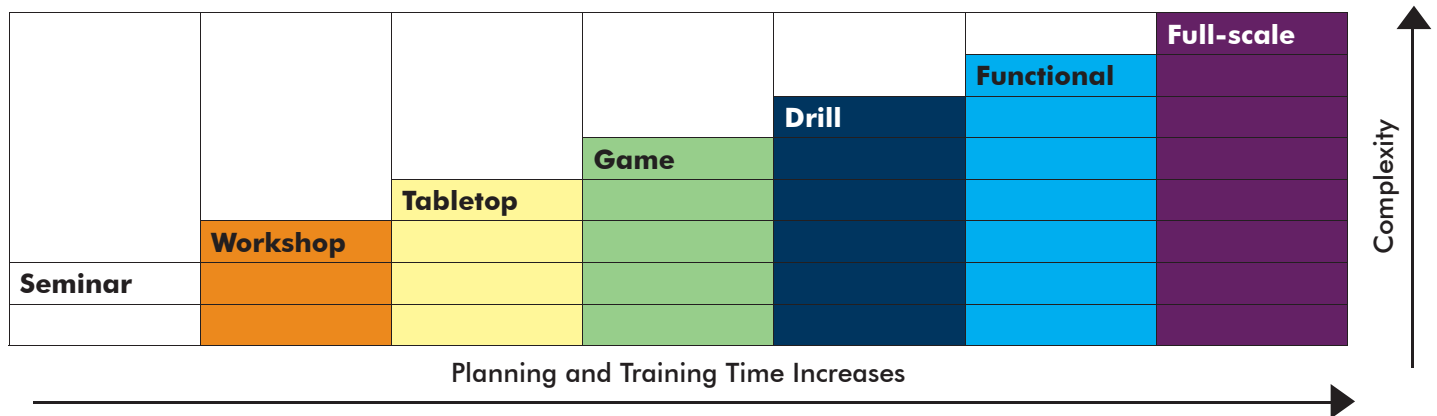


DRILLS AND EXERCISE TYPES

Limited time, tight budgets and tough decisions...

Exercise Building Block Approach



The Yale New Haven Center for Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Response assists organizations in developing exercises that:

- Gradually grow in complexity within an exercise program
- Correlate the exercise purpose with the exercise type
- Comply with Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP) standards
- Use limited time, resources and budgets wisely

Drill and Exercise Types

TYPE	PURPOSE	PLAYER ACTION	DURATION
Discussion-based exercises			
Seminar	Provides an overview of new or current plans, resources, strategies, concepts or ideas	Nominal	2 – 5 hours
Workshop	Achieves a specific goal or develops a product (e.g., plans, policies, exercise objectives)	Nominal	3 – 8 hours
Tabletop	Assists staff with developing the ability to understand and assess plans, policies, procedures and concepts	Nominal	4 – 8 hours
Game	Explores decision-making and examines the consequences of those decisions	Nominal	2 – 5 hours
Operations-based exercises			
Drill	Tests a single operation or function	Actual play	2 – 4 hours
Functional	Tests capabilities, functions, plans and personnel of Incident Command, Unified Command, intelligence centers or other command/operations centers	Command staff actions are actual; other resources are simulated	4 – 8 hours (can run for multiple days)
Full-scale	Implements and analyzes plans, policies, procedures and agreements through functioning operations	Actual play	1 or more full days

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