

MABAS Overtime & Backfill

Illinois boasts one of the strongest most qualified, full-spectrum disaster response and mutual aid capabilities in the nation. Last year alone, Mabas-Il. apportioned **over \$2,000,000** in state and county grant funding through our Overtime & Backfill (OTBF) program. The OTBF has gone a long way toward strengthening Illinois' Special Teams response capabilities. As Mabas continues this program, it is important for departments to understand, and remember its parameters:

- Overtime and Backfill is limited to only those hours during which a class/exercise is rostered to take place. (For example, during a 5-day/40-hour course, OTB can only be claimed for eight hours per day.)
- Travel time to and from the event, per diems, and backfill *exceeding* the hours of the event, are not eligible.
- The maximum reimbursable overtime rate is \$58.00 per hour.
- To receive reimbursement for lodging, a traveler must be attending an event that is more than 50 miles away from his or her residence.
- Lodging reimbursements are based on double-occupancy using the allowable state rate. Single occupancy is eligible for half reimbursement.