



North Valley Animal Disaster Group Standard Operating Guidelines

Title: DSW IDENTIFICATION BADGES

Objective: Provide clear guidelines for appropriate wearing of DSW ID Badges

Description:

- The following requirements are necessary before being issued an ID Badge:
 - Completion of the 16-hour Annual Training
 - Swearing in as a Disaster Service Worker
 - Completion of a successful background check
- Badges must always be worn when deployed.
- Badges are owned by Butte County; they must be returned upon separation of NVADG.
- Badges may only be worn when officially activated by Butte County. To do so is against the law.
 - California Penal Code 538 (h): Impersonating a DSW is illegal.
- Badges will not be issued to students who only audit classes. Class participants in the Annual Training for new volunteers may decide to audit the class only and not follow up with a background check. These individuals will not be issued an ID Badge and are not eligible for deployment.
- To remain “Active” and be eligible to maintain your badge, you must attend an Annual Refresher class a minimum of every three years.
- Badges have an expiration date of every three years.

Related Documents Attached: n/a

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