

affiliation at work

What Affiliation Means to the Mexico Emergency Number Association

"International Affiliation provides the Mexico Emergency Number Association (MENA) with the support and informational resources of NENA and allows us the freedom to develop our own standards and protocols that will benefit Mexico's emergency services. Conferences and events enable the sharing of ideas with public safety leaders from around the world in an effort to achieve synergy and interoperability between countries.

"Through affiliation, we have the administrative and financial freedom to develop the products and services necessary to support MENA, allowing us to take on long-term projects to enhance Mexico's 0-6-6 emergency number system. Partnering with a global organization like NENA strengthens our cause and gives us access to internationally-respected experts, so we know that our work will always meet international standards."

—MENA President Manuel Villarreal



NENA ON THE WORLD STAGE

COORDINATING INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS

NENA works with international bodies, including the European Emergency Number Association and the Emergency Services Workshop, to achieve a coordinated, standards-based approach to developing and implementing 21st Century emergency communications systems and networks.

PROVIDING GUIDANCE

NENA's public safety leaders and experts have visited nations across the world to consult with government officials and provide guidance on local, national, and international emergency communications issues.

ENABLING COLLABORATION

Representatives from dozens of nations have attended NENA conferences throughout the years. These events serve as a venue for networking and collaboration, allowing public safety professionals from every continent to connect and learn from each other, as well as internationally respected leaders in the field.

Become part of a GLOBAL ALLIANCE to improve emergency communications

THE VALUE OF AFFILIATION

- Recognition as part of a respected, worldwide public safety organization
- Affiliate dues stay with your organization to address local issues
- Access to NENA's vast library of documents, standards, and publications
- Opportunities to network with emergency communications and technology leaders
- Access to "members only" content on the NENA website
- Discounted or free access to conferences, courses, and webinars

LEADING THE WAY IN A CHANGING LANDSCAPE

NENA operates with a firmly held belief that enabling the creation and operation of public safety systems that work at all times for all people is our duty and our obligation. Further, those systems must be capable of technically and operationally interconnecting with other emergency communications systems throughout the world.

Public expectations demand that consumers are able to communicate with response agencies the same way they communicate with each other – utilizing the latest IP-based devices that can push and pull information seamlessly. However, 20th Century emergency communications systems were not built to handle these types of communications. The 9-1-1 system, and all three-digit systems, need to harness what technology has made possible to bring about a fundamental change.

NENA is at the forefront of this evolution, developing the technical and operations standards and best practices that will facilitate the creation of an IP-based, broadband-powered, Next Generation 9-1-1 system. NG9-1-1 is capable of accepting high-bandwidth data and multimedia communications of all types; can seamlessly transfer information across geographic and jurisdictional boundaries; and is upgradable as new devices, systems, and networks come online.



WHO SHOULD BECOME A NENA AFFILIATE

Public safety's successes have always been a result of a collaborative and inclusive approach — one that brings together public safety, government, and industry under one roof to realize real change. International Affiliates should strive to:

- Lead in the development, availability, implementation, and enhancement of a universal emergency number common to all jurisdiction(s) through research, planning, training, and education
- Represent their members before appropriate communications and public safety governing authorities
- Enable all citizens to have timely access to emergency public safety services so that safety of human life, protection of property, and civic welfare are best served
- Engage in the dissemination of information relating to a universal emergency number to the public and all relevant stakeholders