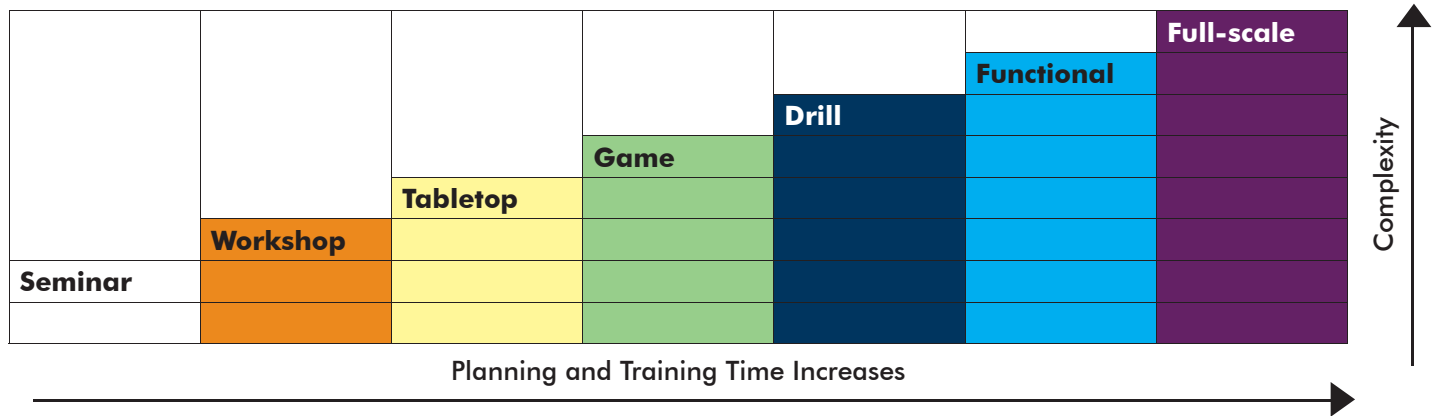


# DRILLS AND EXERCISE TYPES

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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