



Position Qualification for Community Resilience  
Emergency Management

## COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (CERT) TEAM LEADER

<b>RESOURCE CATEGORY</b>	Emergency Management
<b>RESOURCE KIND</b>	Personnel
<b>OVERALL FUNCTION</b>	The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Team Leader is a volunteer who is part of a CERT and directs team activities
<b>COMPOSITION AND ORDERING SPECIFICATIONS</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This position can be ordered as a single resource.</li> <li>2. Discuss logistics for deploying this position, such as working conditions, length of deployment, security, lodging, transportation, and meals, prior to deployment</li> <li>3. Requestor specifies additional qualifications necessary, based on incident complexity and needs</li> <li>4. This position can be deployed outside the home jurisdiction</li> </ol>

Each type of resource builds on the qualifications of the type below it. For example, Type 1 qualifications include the qualifications in Type 2, plus an increase in capability. Type 1 is the highest qualification level.

COMPONENT	TYPE 1	TYPE 2	NOTES
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	Same as Type 2, PLUS: Additional training on how to manage a CERT program	The National Incident Management System (NIMS) Type 2 CERT Team Leader is trained according to standard operating procedures that the Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) has developed and is responsible for: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Ensuring team safety</li> <li>2. Communicating with the CERT Section Chief</li> <li>3. Liaising with other responders</li> <li>4. Carrying out assigned tasks</li> <li>5. Directing team activities</li> </ol>	Not Specified
<b>EDUCATION</b>	Not Specified	Not Specified	Not Specified



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<b>TRAINING</b>	<p>Same as Type 2, PLUS:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IS-240: Leadership and Influence</li> <li>IS-241: Decision Making and Problem Solving</li> <li>IS-242: Effective Communication</li> <li>IS-1300: Introduction to Continuity of Operations</li> <li>IS-2200: Basic Emergency Operations Center Functions</li> <li>G427: CERT Program Manager</li> </ol>	<p>Completion of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IS-100: Introduction to the Incident Command System, ICS-100</li> <li>IS-200: Basic Incident Command System for Initial Response, ICS-200</li> <li>IS-244: Developing and Managing Volunteers</li> <li>IS-288: The Role of Voluntary Organizations in Emergency Management</li> <li>IS-317: Introduction to Community Emergency Response Team</li> <li>IS-505: Religious and Cultural Literacy and Competency in Disaster</li> <li>IS-700: National Incident Management System, An Introduction</li> <li>IS-703: National Incident Management System Resource Management</li> <li>IS-800: National Response Framework, An Introduction</li> <li>Minimum of 18 hours of CERT Basic Training Course</li> </ol>	<p>Any additional training beyond Basic CERT is supplemental.</p>
<b>EXPERIENCE</b>	<p>Same as Type 2, PLUS:</p> <p>Experience: Successful completion of the National Qualification System (NQS) Position Task Book (PTB) for the NIMS Type 1 CERT Team Leader or equivalent AHJ documentation</p>	<p>Knowledge, Skills and Abilities: Understanding of CERT Team Leader functions as defined by CERT Basic Training or the AHJ</p> <p>Experience: Successful completion of the NQS PTB for the NIMS Type 2 CERT Team Leader or equivalent AHJ documentation</p>	<p>The AHJ documents and validates knowledge, skills and abilities.</p>
<b>PHYSICAL / MEDICAL FITNESS</b>	<p>Same as Type 2</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Arduous</li> <li>Maintains immunizations in accordance with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) immunization recommendations</li> </ol>	<p>NIMS Guideline for the NQS defines physical/medical fitness levels for NQS positions.</p>



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<b>CURRENCY</b>	Same as Type 2	1. Functions in this position during an operational incident, planned event, exercise, drill or simulation at least once every two years 2. The provider must carry out and use any background checks as applicable law specifies. This may include the following: background check currency within 12 months; sex-offender registry check; and a local, state and national criminal and driving history.	Not Specified
<b>PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS</b>	Not Specified	Not Specified	Not Specified



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### NOTES

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1. Nationally typed resources represent the minimum criteria for the associated component and capability.
2. This document contains references to non-Federal resources and materials. Such references do not constitute an endorsement by the U.S. government, or any of its employees, of the information or content which a non-Federal resource or material provides.

### REFERENCES

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