



SUPPORT BRANCH DIRECTOR (NQS)

RESOURCE CATEGORY	Logistics and Transportation
RESOURCE KIND	Personnel
OVERALL FUNCTION	The Support Branch Director oversees incident-related resources, supplies, facilities, and ground transportation
COMPOSITION AND ORDERING SPECIFICATIONS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. This position can be ordered as a single resource. 2. Discuss logistics for deploying this position, such as working conditions, length of deployment, security, lodging, transportation, and meals, prior to deployment 3. Requestor specifies any additional qualifications necessary, based on incident complexity and needs.

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	SINGLE TYPE	NOTES
DESCRIPTION	<p>The Support Branch Director:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Establishes or transitions into a branch under the Logistics Section 2. Supervises and configures the branch with units to support operations, as necessary 3. Coordinates the implementation of mutual aid agreements 4. Oversees the ordering and tracking of incident-related resources and supplies 5. Oversees the setup, maintenance and demobilization of all incident facilities and the management of base and camp operations 6. Manages the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Support for out-of-service resources b. Transportation for personnel, supplies, food and equipment c. Fueling, service, maintenance and repair of vehicles and other ground support equipment 	Not Specified
EDUCATION	Not Specified	Not Specified
TRAINING	<p>Completion of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. IS-100: Introduction to the Incident Command System, ICS-100 2. IS-200: Basic Incident Command System for Initial Response, ICS-200 3. ICS-300: Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents 4. ICS-400: Advanced Incident Command System for Command and General Staff - Complex Incidents 5. IS-700: National Incident Management System, An Introduction 6. IS-800: National Response Framework, An Introduction 7. E/G/L 0191: Emergency Operations Center/Incident Command System Interface 	The National Incident Management System (NIMS) Training Program defines a national baseline to guide and promote NIMS training. It provides recommendations to assist Authorities Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) in developing their own training plans, tailored to their specific needs.



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COMPONENT	SINGLE TYPE	NOTES
EXPERIENCE	<p>Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities: Understanding of the implementation of the Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) and other mutual aid agreements</p> <p>Experience: 1. Successful completion of the National Qualification System (NQS) Position Task Book (PTB) for the National Incident Management System (NIMS) Support Branch Director, or equivalent Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) documentation 2. Leadership experience in incident management in a subordinate position within the Logistics Section</p>	Not Specified
PHYSICAL/MEDICAL FITNESS	Light	The NIMS Guideline for the NQS defines Physical/Medical Fitness levels for NQS positions.
CURRENCY	Functions in this position or a higher position during a qualifying incident, planned event, exercise, drill or simulation at least once every five years	A higher position is one for which this position is a prerequisite.
PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS	Not Specified	Not Specified



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NOTES

1. Nationally typed resources represent the minimum criteria for the associated component and capability.
2. Additional training on this position is available from the National Wildfire Coordinating Group at <https://www.nwccg.gov/positions>.

REFERENCES

1. FEMA, National Qualification System (NQS) Position Task Book for Support Branch Director, latest edition adopted
2. FEMA, National Incident Management System (NIMS), October 2017
3. FEMA, NIMS Guideline for the NQS, November 2017
4. FEMA, National Response Framework, October 2019
5. FEMA, NIMS Training Program, May 2020
6. Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC), Public Law 104-321: EMAC Legislation, October 1996
7. National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG), Position Catalog, latest edition published