Position Qualification for Fatality Management Services  
Medical and Public Health

## FATALITY MANAGEMENT RADIOLOGY SPECIALIST

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<td>OVERALL FUNCTION</td>
<td>The Fatality Management (FM) Radiology Specialist performs diagnostic radiograph procedures of victims, for the purposes of documentation of the subject</td>
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| COMPOSITION AND ORDERING SPECIFICATIONS | 1. This position can be ordered as a single resource or in conjunction with a NIMS typed team (Fatality Management Morgue Forensic Team).  
2. Discuss logistics for deploying this position, such as security, lodging, transportation, and meals, prior to deployment  
3. This position typically works 12 hours per shift, is self-sustainable for 72 hours, and is deployable for up to 14 days |

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.

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| DESCRIPTION     | Same as Type 2, PLUS: Performs duties with decedents or within areas exposed to hazardous materials | The FM Radiology Specialist:  
1. Serves as Lead for the Radiology station, including the separate triage station if necessary  
2. Coordinates with the FM Morgue Forensic Team Leader to determine radiographic requirements and the appropriate methods for printing and displaying captured digital images  
3. Coordinates the printing of images and duplication for each morgue case file folder  
4. Documents dosimeter usage and results for assigned staff  
5. Reports directly to the FM Morgue Forensic Team Leader | Not Specified |
<p>| EDUCATION       | Same as Type 2                                                         | Successful completion of an accredited educational or certification program in the area of forensic radiography | Not Specified |</p>
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<td>EXPERIENCE</td>
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<td>Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities: Intermediate computer skills, including word processing and spreadsheet proficiency Experience: Two years of autopsy radiology technician or specialist experience within a medical examiner office or coroner system</td>
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<td>PHYSICAL/MEDICAL</td>
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<td>1. Performs duties under arduous circumstances characterized by working consecutive 12-hour days under physical and emotional stress for sustained periods of time 2. Performs duties with exposure to whole and fragmented human remains in various stages of decomposition 3. Performs duties with sights and smells associated with death, including seeing children as victims, grieving survivors, and family members of missing victims 4. Maintains immunizations in accordance with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's recommended adult immunization schedule for the United States of America</td>
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<td>Active status of legal authority to function, if applicable, as a postmortem radiology technician from a state, the District of Columbia, or US Territory</td>
<td>Administration of licensing laws differs from state to state. Some require that applicants submit a state application prior to working in the state, while others require only ARRT certification results. 37 states currently use ARRT administered exams for State licensing purposes.</td>
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**PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS**
NOTES
Nationally typed resources represent the minimum criteria for the associated category.

REFERENCES
1. FEMA, NIMS 508: Fatality Management Morgue Forensic Team
2. FEMA, NIMS 509: Fatality Management Morgue Forensic Team Leader
4. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: Immunization Recommendations for Disaster Responders