

## EMERGENCY MEDICAL RESPONDER (EMR)

<b>RESOURCE CATEGORY</b>	Emergency Medical Services
<b>RESOURCE KIND</b>	Personnel
<b>OVERALL FUNCTION</b>	The Emergency Medical Responder's (EMR) primary focus is to assist higher trained individuals during patient care, movement and transportation
<b>COMPOSITION AND ORDERING SPECIFICATIONS</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This position can be ordered as a single resource or in conjunction with a National Incident Management System (NIMS)-typed team (Ambulance Ground Team - Advanced Life Support [ALS], Ambulance Ground Team - Basic Life Support [BLS], Ambulance Strike Team - ALS, Ambulance Strike Team - BLS or EMS Task Force)</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. The position typically works 12 hours per shift, is self-sustainable for 72 hours and is deployable up to 14 days</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	SINGLE TYPE	NOTES
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<p>The EMR:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Functions as part of a comprehensive EMS response, community, health or public safety system with clinical protocols and medical oversight</li> <li>2. Performs basic interventions, with minimal equipment and resources, to manage life threats, medical needs and psychological needs</li> <li>3. Assesses patient needs, initiates treatment and requests additional resources, as necessary</li> <li>4. Assists in caring for patients during ambulance transport</li> <li>5. Primary function in disaster response is assisting higher trained individuals</li> <li>6. Operates an assigned ambulance or emergency vehicle used for patient care and transport, commensurate with level of emergency vehicle training, as required by the Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ)</li> </ol>	Not Specified
<b>EDUCATION</b>	Successful completion of a state, local, tribe or territory-approved EMR training program that meets or exceeds National EMS Education Standards	Not Specified

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<b>TRAINING</b>	<p>Completion of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. IS-5: An Introduction to Hazardous Materials, or equivalent</li> <li>2. IS-100: Introduction to the Incident Command System, ICS-100</li> <li>3. IS-200: Basic Incident Command System for Initial Response, ICS-200</li> <li>4. IS-700: National Incident Management System, An Introduction</li> <li>5. IS-800: National Response Framework, An Introduction</li> <li>6. Training in ambulance and emergency vehicle operations, or equivalent as required by AHJ</li> <li>7. Training in accordance with Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 1910.120: Hazardous Materials Awareness</li> <li>8. Training in accordance with OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.134: Respiratory Protection</li> <li>9. Training in accordance with OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.1030: Bloodborne Pathogens</li> </ol>	The NIMS Training Program defines a national baseline to guide and promote NIMS training. It provides recommendations to assist AHJs in developing their own training plans, tailored to their specific needs
<b>EXPERIENCE</b>	<p>Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:</p> <p>Current active status with a state, local, tribe or territory approved EMS agency, practicing at the EMR level</p>	Not Specified
<b>PHYSICAL/MEDICAL FITNESS</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Arduous</li> <li>2. Is able to work while wearing appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)</li> <li>3. Maintain immunizations in accordance with current AHJ requirements</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The NIMS Guideline for the National Qualification System NIMS Guideline for the National Qualification System (NQS) defines physical/medical fitness levels for NIMS positions</li> <li>2. PPE is mission specific and may vary by working environment; it includes protective footwear, protective clothing for skin exposure, eye and ear protection, respirators, gloves and masks</li> </ol>
<b>CURRENCY</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Complies with accrediting entity, agency or body's established annual recertification, training and education, such as continuing education units or professional development hours, which may vary by organization, department and agency</li> <li>2. Background checks as applicable law permits or as required by the AHJ</li> </ol>	<p>Provider must carry out and use any background checks as applicable law specifies. This may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A background check completed within the past 12 months</li> <li>• A sex-offender registry check</li> <li>• A local, state and national driving and criminal history</li> </ul>
<b>PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. State, tribe or territory-granted active status of legal authority to function as an EMR</li> <li>2. Emergency vehicle operator certification, as required by the AHJ</li> </ol>	Can operate to the skill level approved by their home state or medical director



## NOTES

Nationally typed resources represent the minimum criteria for the associated category.

## REFERENCES

1. FEMA, NIMS 508: Ambulance Ground Team – ALS
2. FEMA, NIMS 508: Ambulance Ground Team –BLS
3. FEMA, NIMS 508: Ambulance Strike Team – ALS
4. FEMA, NIMS 508: Ambulance Strike Team – BLS
5. FEMA, NIMS 508: EMS Task Force
6. FEMA, National Incident Management System (NIMS), October 2017
7. FEMA, NIMS Guideline for the NQS, November 2017
8. FEMA, National Response Framework, June 2016
9. IS-100: Introduction to the Incident Command System, ICS-100
10. IS-200: Basic Incident Command System for Initial Response, ICS-200
11. IS-700: National Incident Management System, An Introduction
12. IS-800: National Response Framework, An Introduction
13. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, National Association of State EMS Officials, National EMS Scope of Practice Model 2019 (DOT HS 812-666), February 2019
14. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, National Emergency Medical Services Education Standards, 2021
15. OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.120: Hazardous Materials Awareness, latest edition adopted
16. OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.134: Respiratory Protection, latest edition adopted
17. OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.1030: Bloodborne Pathogens, latest edition adopted