



Position Qualification for Public Health, Healthcare, and Emergency Medical Services
Emergency Medical Services

EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN

RESOURCE CATEGORY	Emergency Medical Services
RESOURCE KIND	Personnel
OVERALL FUNCTION	The Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) is specially trained and certified to administer basic emergency services to victims of trauma or acute illness before and during transportation to a hospital or other healthcare facility
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

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	The primary focus of the EMT is to provide basic triage, assessment, and noninvasive interventions to reduce the morbidity and mortality associated with acute out-of-hospital medical and traumatic emergencies. This may occur at an emergency scene until transportation resources arrive, from an emergency scene to a health care facility or) between health care facilities. Additionally, the EMT possesses the education and experience in areas of patient care that are commensurate with the patient care mission, providing care to minimize secondary injury and provide comfort to the patient and family while transporting the patient to an emergency care facility. The EMT level is the minimum licensure level for personnel transporting patients in ambulances.	Not Specified
EDUCATION	<p>Completion of a state-approved EMT program based on NHTSA National Standard Curriculum.</p> <p>Recommended: Successful completion of the minimum terminal learning objectives for EMT as defined by NHTSA National EMS Education Standards. See Note.</p>	<p>The personnel descriptions contained in this document are based upon the guidelines contained in the National EMS Scope of Practice Model document, which can be found at www.ems.gov.</p> <p>NHTSA National EMS Education Standards are a component of the EMS Education Agenda for the Future: A System Approach, a comprehensive plan for a national EMS education system. The State equivalent to EMRs, EMTs, Advanced EMTs and paramedics are expected to transition to these educational standards as they are implemented.</p>



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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-700: National Incident Management System, An Introduction 3. IS-800: National Response Framework, An Introduction 4. HazMat Awareness Training or equivalent basic instruction consistent with: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. the hazards anticipated to be present, or present at the scene b. the probable impact of those hazards, based upon the mission role of the individual c. use of the personal protective equipment consistent with "Guidance on Emergency Responder Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for Response to CBRN Terrorism Incidents," Dept of HHS, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (June 2008) <p>Recommended: Completion of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. IS-200: Basic Incident Command System for Initial Response, ICS-200 2. Ongoing training in the management and care of patients involved in a MCI 	<p>Per NIMS compliance at the time of publication, ICS and IS training courses are listed. Equivalent courses must meet the NIMS Five-Year Training Plan. As NIMS compliance requirements change, the requirements in this document will change to match them.</p>
EXPERIENCE	Ongoing, active participation with an EMS-providing entity, organization or agency	Not Specified
PHYSICAL/MEDICAL FITNESS	Arduous	The NIMS Guideline for the National Qualification System (NQS) defines Physical/Medical Fitness levels for NIMS positions.
CURRENCY	Not Specified	Not Specified
PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS	<p>Certification: Successful completion of a state-approved program at this level or NREMT certification at this level</p> <p>Licensing: Active status of legal authority to function as an Emergency Medical Technician granted by a state, the District of Columbia, or U.S. territory</p>	Not Specified



NOTES

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

REFERENCES

1. FEMA, National Incident Management System (NIMS), October 2017
2. FEMA, NIMS Guideline for the National Qualification System, November 2017
3. FEMA, National Response Framework, June 2016