AMBULANCE STRIKE TEAM LEADER

RESOURCE CATEGORY	Emergency Medical Services
RESOURCE KIND	Personnel
OVERALL FUNCTION	The Ambulance Strike Team Leader provides direct supervision and guidance to an Ambulance Strike Team – Advanced Life Support (ALS) or an Ambulance Strike Team –Basic Life Support (BLS)
COMPOSITION AND ORDERING SPECIFICATIONS	1. This position can be ordered as a single resource or in conjunction with a National Incident Management System (NIMS)-typed team (Ambulance Strike Team – ALS or Ambulance Strike Team – BLS) 2. Discuss logistics for deploying this position, such as working conditions, length of deployment, security, lodging, transportation and meals, prior to deployment 3. The position typically works 12 hours per shift, is self-sustainable for 72 hours and is deployable 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.

COMPONENT	SINGLE TYPE	NOTES
DESCRIPTION	The Ambulance Strike Team Leader: 1. Supervises tactical assignments assigned to the Ambulance Strike Team 2. Reports to supervisor on work progress and status of resources, maintains work records on assigned personnel and communicates other essential information 3. Reviews assignments with subordinates and assigns tasks 4. Monitors work progress and makes changes when necessary 5. Coordinates activities with strike teams, task forces and single resources 6. Travels to and from active assignment areas with assigned resources 7. Retains control of assigned resources 8. Submits situation and resource status information to task force leader (or other supervisor, as assigned) 9. Maintains activity log and reviews individual reports, as required by the Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) 10. Maintains accountability for all Ambulance Strike Team personnel 11. Ensures safety and welfare of Ambulance Strike Team members, including enforcing use of mission-appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) 12. Complies with data tracking, charting and reporting requirements specified by the AHJ	Not Specified
EDUCATION	Successful completion of a local, state, tribe or territory-approved Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) training program that meets or exceeds National EMS Education Standards	Exceptions apply for individuals who graduated from a paramedic program prior to January 1, 2013 (the date the National Emergency Medical Services (EMS) program accreditation became a requirement for National registry certification).

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TRAINING	Completion of the following: 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 ICS for Expanding Incidents 4. IS-700: An Introduction to the National Incident Management System 5. IS-800: National Response Framework, An Introduction 6. Training in accordance with Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 1910.120: Hazardous Materials Awareness 7. Training in accordance with OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.134: Respiratory Protection 8. Training in accordance with OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.1030: Bloodborne Pathogens	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
EXPERIENCE	Knowledge, Skills and Abilities: 1. Three years of EMS experience 2. One year of leadership experience in EMS or related field	Not Specified
PHYSICAL/MEDICAL FITNESS	1. Arduous 2. Is able to work while wearing appropriate PPE 3. Maintain immunizations in accordance with current AHJ requirements	1. The NIMS Guideline for the National Qualification System (NQS) defines Physical/Medical Fitness levels for NIMS positions 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
CURRENCY	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 2. Background checks as applicable law permits or as required by the AHJ	Provider must carry out and use any background checks as applicable law specifies. This may include: • A background check completed within the past 12 months • A sex-offender registry check • A local, state and national driving and criminal history
PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS	Local, state, tribe or territory-granted active status of legal authority to function as an EMT, Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT) or Paramedic	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 Strike Team – ALS
2. FEMA, NIMS 508: Ambulance Strike Team – BLS
3. FEMA, National Incident Management System (NIMS), October 2017
4. FEMA, NIMS Guideline for the NQS, November 2017
5. FEMA, National Response Framework, June 2016
6. IS-100: Introduction to the Incident Command System, ICS-100
7. IS-200: Basic Incident Command System for Initial Response, ICS-200
8. ICS-300: Intermediate ICS for Expanding Incidents
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11. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, National Association of State EMS Officials, National EMS Scope of Practice Model 2019 (DOT HS 812-666), February 2019
12. National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, National Emergency Medical Services Education Standards, 2021
13. OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.120: Hazardous Materials Awareness, latest edition adopted
14. OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.134: Respiratory Protection, latest edition adopted
15. OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.1030: Bloodborne Pathogens, latest edition adopted