

## EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) OPERATIONS OFFICER

<b>RESOURCE CATEGORY</b>	Emergency Medical Services
<b>RESOURCE KIND</b>	Personnel
<b>OVERALL FUNCTION</b>	The Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Operations Officer plans, accounts for, coordinates use of, schedules, and dispatches EMS task forces, strike teams, and single unit resources
<b>COMPOSITION AND ORDERING SPECIFICATIONS</b>	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	TYPE 1	TYPE 2	NOTES
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	Same as Type 2, PLUS: The NIMS Type 1 EMS Operations Officer directs the operations of EMS task forces, strike teams, and single unit resources deployed to support medical operations during emergencies and disasters, and: 1. May work as the Medical/EMS Group Supervisor or Medical/EMS Branch Director in the ICP 2. Supervises operational assignments 3. Reports work progress 4. Reports status of resources to the ICP Operations Section Chief	The National Incident Management System (NIMS) Type 2 EMS Operations Officer plans, accounts for, coordinates use of, schedules, and dispatches EMS task forces, strike teams, and single unit resources deployed to support EMS operations during emergencies and disasters, and: 1. Reports to the Medical/EMS Group Supervisor or Branch Director in the Incident Command Post (ICP) 2. Coordinates operational assignments 3. Conducts planning and report work progress 4. Reports status of resources to the Resource Unit Leader in the ICP 5. Coordinates sustainment needs with Logistics Section of ICP	Not Specified
<b>EDUCATION</b>	Same as Type 2	Completion of the following: 1. High School Diploma 2. An Emergency Medical Technician - Paramedic (EMT-P) program, or completion of the minimum terminal learning objectives for EMT-P as the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) National EMS Education Standards defines	Not Specified

COMPONENT	TYPE 1	TYPE 2	NOTES
<b>TRAINING</b>	Same as Type 2, PLUS: ICS-400: Advanced Incident Command System for Command and General Staff - Complex Incidents	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 Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents 4. IS-700: National Incident Management System, An Introduction 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	Not Specified
<b>EXPERIENCE</b>	1. Ten years of EMS field operations 2. Five years of leadership experience in EMS or a related field	Five years of EMS field operations	Not Specified
<b>PHYSICAL/MEDICAL FITNESS</b>	Same as Type 2	Arduous	The NIMS Guideline for the National Qualification System (NQS) defines Physical/Medical Fitness levels for NIMS positions.
<b>CURRENCY</b>	Same as Type 2	1. Functions in this position during an operational incident, planned event, exercise, drill, or simulation once every three years 2. 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 3. Maintains immunizations per AHJ requirements 4. Active member with an EMS-providing entity, organization, or agency 5. Background checks as applicable law permits or requires	Provider must carry out and use any background checks as applicable law specifies. This may include a background check completed within past 12 months, sex offender registry check, and a local, state, and national criminal history.
<b>PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS</b>	Same as Type 2	AHJ-certified Paramedic	Not Specified



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

### NOTES

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

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