



Position Qualification for On-scene Security, Protection and Law Enforcement  
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## BOAT CREW MEMBER (LAW ENFORCEMENT)

<b>RESOURCE CATEGORY</b>	Law Enforcement Operations
<b>RESOURCE KIND</b>	Personnel
<b>OVERALL FUNCTION</b>	The Boat Crew Member (Law Enforcement (LE)) performs operational tasks and law enforcement functions
<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 NIMS typed team (Waterborne Response Team).</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> </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	TYPE 1	TYPE 2	NOTES
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	Same as Type 2, PLUS: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Performs support for port, waterway, and coastal security-oriented missions</li> <li>2. Performs additional law enforcement responsibilities to include application of force, use of weapons, and dealing with non-compliant vessels</li> <li>3. Executes vessel pursuit tactics, techniques, and procedures</li> </ol>	The Boat Crew Member (LE) possesses an operational knowledge of all aspects of being a part of a boat crew, works under the supervision of a qualified National Incident Management System (NIMS) Type Boat Operator (LE), and: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Supports the operation of the vessel (helm watch)</li> <li>2. Performs lookout duties</li> <li>3. Performs tow watch duties</li> <li>4. Performs anchor watch duties</li> <li>5. Rigs mooring and towing lines</li> <li>6. Acts as a surface swimmer</li> <li>7. Administers first aid</li> <li>8. Operates damage control equipment</li> <li>9. Performs search and rescue (SAR) operations</li> <li>10. Performs helicopter operations</li> <li>11. Performs basic firefighting operations</li> <li>12. Responds to onboard casualties</li> </ol>	Not Specified
<b>EDUCATION</b>	Same as Type 2	Completion of Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ)-established education requirements for entry-level employment as a sworn law enforcement officer	Not Specified



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<p><b>TRAINING</b></p>	<p>Same as Type 2, PLUS: Training that includes the following topics:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Law enforcement authority and jurisdiction</li> <li>2. Maritime homeland security definitions</li> <li>3. Threats to boat crews</li> <li>4. Tactical control</li> <li>5. Stopping non-compliant vessels</li> <li>6. Limited access areas</li> <li>7. Security zones</li> <li>8. Escorting High Value Assets (HVA) and targets of interest</li> <li>9. Protection of stationary HVAs within a security zone</li> <li>10. Response boat duties and basic response boat tactics</li> <li>11. Use of force and weapons use</li> <li>12. Pursuit tactics, definitions, formations, and maneuvers</li> </ol>	<p>Completion of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. IS-100: Introduction to the Incident Command System, ICS-100</li> <li>2. IS-200: Basic Incident Command System for Initial Response, ICS-200</li> <li>3. IS-700: National Incident Management System, An Introduction</li> <li>4. IS-800: National Response Framework, An Introduction</li> <li>5. Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) Inland Boat Operator Training (IBOT) or FLETC Marine Law Enforcement Training Program (MLETP)</li> <li>6. National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA) Boat Crew Member Course or equivalent</li> </ol>	<p>Not Specified</p>
<p><b>EXPERIENCE</b></p>	<p>Same as Type 2, PLUS: Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Demonstrated weapons proficiency from a maritime asset</li> <li>2. Ability to identify threats to boat crews</li> </ol>	<p>Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Knowledge of SAR mission concepts, helicopter interface operations, and stern and alongside towing methods and procedures</li> <li>2. Using survival equipment, ropes and lines, communications equipment, nautical charts, navigation equipment, and electronic waterway surveillance equipment</li> <li>3. Basic boat handling, rigging fenders, mooring a boat, anchoring a boat, and identification of navigation lights and sound signals</li> <li>4. Man overboard pick up and recovery</li> <li>5. Ability to analyze and integrate information, solve problems, interpret information, communicate effectively, work well with others, coordinate with others to act as a team, organize, and plan</li> <li>6. Ability to use tow lines and associated equipment, survival equipment, ropes and lines, portable water pumps, and fire extinguishers</li> <li>7. Ability to assist onboard casualties</li> </ol>	<p>Not Specified</p>



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<b>PHYSICAL/MEDICAL FITNESS</b>	Same as Type 2	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Arduous</li> <li>2. Minimum physical fitness and swimming standards set through the Job Related Physical Ability Test (JRPAT) set by AHJ</li> <li>3. Maintain immunizations as outlined in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommended Adult Immunization Schedule for the United States of America</li> </ol>	NIMS Guideline for the National Qualification System (NQS) defines Physical/Medical Fitness levels for NIMS positions.
<b>CURRENCY</b>	Same as Type 2, PLUS: Meet task-specific standards at least once every year including the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Use of force exercise at the determination of the AHJ</li> <li>2. Vessel on vessel use of force</li> <li>3. Escorting HVAs and targets of interest</li> <li>4. Protection of stationary or anchored HVA</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Meet task-specific standards at least once every year including the following:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Underway hours (40 hours every year, 10 of which must be nighttime hours)</li> <li>b. Mooring evolution</li> <li>c. Towing: 1 day and 1 night</li> <li>d. Basic Engineering Casualty Control Exercise (1 set of drills)</li> <li>e. Man overboard recovery: 1 day and 1 night</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. Meet task-specific standards at least once every two years, including the following:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Water survival exercise</li> <li>b. First aid training (for example burns, hypothermia, shock, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), and bleeding)</li> </ol> </li> <li>3. Weapon qualification</li> <li>4. Background checks as applicable law permits or requires</li> </ol>	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 a local, state, and national criminal history.
<b>PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS</b>	Same as Type 2	Successful completion of the Law Enforcement Officer Certification at the requirement of the AHJ	Not Specified



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## NOTES

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

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