

PUBLIC WORKS SAFETY SPECIALIST

RESOURCE CATEGORY	Public Works
RESOURCE KIND	Personnel
OVERALL FUNCTION	The Public Works Safety Specialist monitors public works operations and provides safety guidance, procedural guidance and related oversight during incident response and recovery operations.
COMPOSITION AND ORDERING SPECIFICATIONS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. This position can be ordered as a single resource or in conjunction with a NIMS typed team (Public Works Support Team). 2. Discuss logistics for deploying this position, such as working conditions, length of deployment, security, lodging, transportation and meals, prior to deployment. 3. Requestor specifies any specialized skills, background, training or certifications required, based on incident needs.

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 Public Works Safety Specialist: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ensures and documents relevant inspections 2. Ensures on-site safety of staff during an operational deployment 3. Ensures that the operation's safety plan is compliant with all health and safety regulations 4. Identifies environmental hazards 5. Ensures that staff follow all safety plan protocols 6. Identifies additional event-specific safety provisions required 	Not Specified
EDUCATION	Not Specified	Not Specified
TRAINING	Completion of the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. IS-100: Introduction to the Incident Command System, ICS-100 2. IS-200: Basic Incident Command System for Initial Response, ICS-200 3. IS-700: National Incident Management System, An Introduction 4. IS-800: National Response Framework, An Introduction 5. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) 10-Hour Outreach Training Program 	Not Specified
EXPERIENCE	Knowledge, Skills and Abilities: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Knowledge of guidance published in the OSHA Field Safety and Health Manual 2. Knowledge of special considerations, such as environmental compliance, hazardous materials (HAZMAT), confined space entry, lock-out/tag-out procedures and hot work (anything involving sparks) Experience: Two years of relevant experience	Not Specified



COMPONENT	SINGLE TYPE	NOTES
PHYSICAL/MEDICAL FITNESS	1. Moderate 2. Is able to work while wearing appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) 3. Maintains immunizations in accordance with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) immunization recommendations	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 work environment; it includes hard hat, safety-toe boots, reflective vests, eye and ear protection, respirators, gloves and masks.
CURRENCY	1. Currently works in this position in a municipal, county, state, tribal or territorial public works department 2. Keeps immunizations up to date and commensurate with mission assignment	Not Specified
PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS	OSHA 10-Hour Outreach Training Program completion card	Not Specified



Position Qualification for Infrastructure Systems Public Works

NOTES

Nationally typed resources represent the minimum criteria for the associated component and capability.

REFERENCES

1. FEMA, NIMS 508: Public Works Support Team
2. FEMA, National Incident Management System (NIMS), October 2017
3. FEMA, NIMS Guideline for the National Qualification System (NQS), November 2017
4. FEMA, National Response Framework, October 2019
5. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Field Safety and Health Manual, latest edition adopted
6. OSHA, 10-Hour Outreach Training Program, latest edition adopted
7. U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Immunization Recommendations for Disaster Responders, latest edition adopted