



ANIMAL DECONTAMINATION SPECIALIST

| TYPE | TYPE 1 | TYPE 2 |
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| DESCRIPTION | <p>Same as Type 2, PLUS:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Handles and decontaminates animals for animal decontamination operations in nuclear or radiological incidents, including: Removing radiological contaminants in a nuclear/radiological incident response | <p>The Animal Decontamination Specialist:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Provides a range of decontamination operations for animals in one or more of the following competency areas: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Companion animals, including pets, service animals, and assistance animals Livestock, including food or fiber animals and domesticated equine species Wildlife animals, captive wildlife, and zoo animals Laboratory animals Is a certified NIMS typed Animal Care and Handling Specialist, Animal Control/Humane Officer, Veterinarian, or Veterinary Assistant Handles and decontaminates animals for animal decontamination operations other than nuclear or radiological; tasks include: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Removing blood, urine, and feces from working dogs, working horses, or service animals Removing riot control agents, such as pepper spray, from working dogs, working horses, or service animals Removing contaminants associated with floodwater—such as debris, industrial chemicals, petroleum products, and biological pathogens—from animals after a disaster Cleaning oiled birds, mammals, and other wildlife Cleaning search-and-rescue cadaver dogs working in a contaminated environment Removing chemical contaminants in a chemical incident response Removing biotoxins in a biotoxin incident response |
| CATEGORY | CRITERIA | CRITERIA |
| EDUCATION | <p>Not Specified</p> <p>NOTES: Not Specified</p> | <p>Not Specified</p> |
| TRAINING | <p>Same as Type 2, PLUS:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Training in accordance with the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 1910.1200: Hazard Communication Standard Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ)-provided training in radiological responses and equipment use <p>NOTES: Not Specified</p> | <p>Completion of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Training for a NIMS typed Animal Care and Handling Specialist, Animal Control/Humane Officer, Veterinarian, or Veterinary Assistant Training in accordance with the OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.120: Hazardous Materials Awareness AHJ-provided animal decontamination training |
| EXPERIENCE | <p>Same as Type 2, PLUS:</p> <p>Participation in an animal radiological decontamination exercise</p> <p>NOTES: Not Specified</p> | <p>Participation in an animal decontamination exercise</p> |

OBSOLETE

ANIMAL DECONTAMINATION SPECIALIST

Superseded



| TYPE | TYPE 1 | TYPE 2 |
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| PHYSICAL/MEDICAL FITNESS | Same as Type 2 | 1. Performs duties under arduous circumstances characterized by working consecutive 12-hour days under physical and emotional stress for sustained periods of time 2. Is able to work while wearing appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) 3. Keeps immunizations up to date and commensurate with mission |
| | NOTES: 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 | Same as Type 2 | Participates in an animal decontamination exercise at least once every two years |
| | NOTES: Not Specified | |
| PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS | Not Specified | Not Specified |
| | NOTES: Not Specified | |



ORDERING SPECIFICATIONS OR DESIGNATIONS

1. (X) Can be ordered as an individual asset
2. (X) Can be ordered in conjunction with a NIMS typed team (Companion Animal Decontamination Team)
3. () Can be ordered in conjunction with a NIMS typed unit
4. Discuss logistics for deploying this position, such as security, lodging, transportation, and meals, prior to deployment
5. This position typically works 12 hours per shift, is self-sustainable for 72 hours, and is deployable for up to 14 days
6. Requestor can order this resource to augment the human decontamination lines of hazardous materials teams
7. Requestor specifies competency areas necessary based on the animal population the position will serve

REFERENCES

1. FEMA, NIMS 508: Companion Animal Decontamination Team
2. FEMA, NIMS 509: Animal Care and Handling Specialist
3. FEMA, NIMS 509: Animal Control/Humane Officer
4. FEMA, NIMS 509: Veterinarian
5. FEMA, NIMS 509: Veterinary Assistant
6. FEMA, NIMS Guideline for the National Qualification System, November 2017
7. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 1910.120: Hazardous Materials Awareness, latest edition adopted
8. OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.1200: Hazard Communication Standard, latest edition adopted

NOTES

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