

## FATALITY MANAGEMENT HUMAN REMAINS RECOVERY TEAM LEADER (NQS)

<b>RESOURCE CATEGORY</b>	Medical and Public Health
<b>RESOURCE KIND</b>	Personnel
<b>OVERALL FUNCTION</b>	The Fatality Management (FM) Human Remains Recovery Team Leader oversees, conducts, and directs recovery efforts for human remains at the disaster site
<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 (Fatality Management Human Remains Recovery Team).</li> <li>2. Discuss logistics for deploying this position, such as security, lodging, transportation, and meals, prior to deployment</li> <li>3. This position typically works 12 hours per shift, is self-sustainable for 72 hours, and is deployable for up to 14 days</li> <li>4. Requestor specifies if hazardous materials are present in the operating area; provider ensures that individuals hold certifications required by applicable laws and regulations to operate in environments where hazardous materials are present</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	SINGLE TYPE	NOTES
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<p>The FM Human Remains Recovery Team Leader:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Coordinates and plans for adequate personnel and equipment to perform recovery operations at the disaster site</li> <li>2. Identifies and ensures that all personnel in hazardous areas at the disaster site wear proper Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)</li> <li>3. Provides daily safety briefing to recovery personnel</li> <li>4. Provides direction and guidance to photographer and documentation specialist for disaster site processing (such as sketches, video, and photographs)</li> <li>5. Monitors responder personnel's physical and emotional stress levels and implements stress reduction and rehabilitation measures as necessary if no Safety Officer is onsite</li> <li>6. Notifies the FM Morgue Processing Unit Leader of the status and pace of the recovery operation</li> <li>7. Reports directly to the Mass Fatality Management Group Supervisor, or designee</li> </ol>	Not Specified
<b>EDUCATION</b>	Bachelor of science degree in criminal justice, science, public administration, or related field	Not Specified
<b>TRAINING</b>	<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: Incident Command System for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents</li> <li>3. ICS-300: Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents</li> <li>4. IS-700: National Incident Management System, An Introduction</li> <li>5. IS-800: National Response Framework, An Introduction</li> <li>6. G0191: ICS/EOC Interface</li> </ol>	Not Specified

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COMPONENT	SINGLE TYPE	NOTES
<b>EXPERIENCE</b>	<p>Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities: Intermediate computer skills, including database operations, tracking, and e-mail</p> <p>Experience: 1. Successful completion of the National Qualification System (NQS) Position Task Book (PTB) for the National Incident Management System (NIMS) Fatality Management Human Remains Recovery Team Leader, or equivalent Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) documentation 2. Supervisory, management, or investigative experience within a medical examiner's office, coroner system, or forensic unit of a law enforcement agency</p>	Not Specified
<b>PHYSICAL/MEDICAL FITNESS</b>	<p>1. Performs duties under arduous circumstances characterized by working consecutive 12-hour days under physical and emotional stress for sustained periods of time 2. Performs duties with exposure to whole and fragmented human remains in various stages of decomposition 3. Performs duties with sights and smells associated with death, including encountering child victims, grieving survivors, and family members of missing victims 4. Maintains immunizations in accordance with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) recommended adult immunization schedule</p>	Not Specified
<b>CURRENCY</b>	Functions in this position during an operational incident, exercise, drill, or simulation at least once every two years	Not Specified
<b>PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS</b>	Not Specified	Not Specified

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Position Qualification for Fatality Management Services  
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## NOTES

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

## REFERENCES

1. FEMA, National Qualification System (NQS) Position Task Book for Fatality Management Human Remains Recovery Team Leader, latest edition adopted
2. FEMA, NIMS 508: Fatality Management Human Remains Recovery Team
3. FEMA, NIMS 509: Mass Fatality Management Group Supervisor
4. FEMA, NIMS 509: Fatality Management Morgue Processing Unit Leader
5. FEMA, National Incident Management System (NIMS), October 2017
6. FEMA, NIMS Guideline for the NQS, November 2017
7. FEMA, National Response Framework, June 2016
8. U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Immunization Recommendations for Disaster Responders, October 2017

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