

FATALITY MANAGEMENT DISASTER PORTABLE MORGUE UNIT LEADER (NQS)

RESOURCE CATEGORY	Medical and Public Health
RESOURCE KIND	Personnel
OVERALL FUNCTION	The Fatality Management (FM) Disaster Portable Morgue Unit (DPMU) Leader coordinates DPMU efforts, monitors DPMU personnel, and manages equipment.
COMPOSITION AND ORDERING SPECIFICATIONS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. This position can be ordered as a single resource. 2. This position can be ordered with a NIMS typed unit (Fatality Management Disaster Portable Morgue Unit). 3. Discuss logistics for deploying this position, such as security, lodging, transportation, and meals, prior to deployment 4. This position typically works 12 hours per shift, is self-sustainable for 72 hours, and is deployable for up to 14 days

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	<p>The FM DPMU Leader reports to the Mass Fatality Management Group Supervisor or designee and:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Manages DPMU personnel 2. Maintains and assembles equipment 3. Coordinates facility issues, such as transportation, food services, communications, Information Technology (IT) support, and medical services for DPMU members 4. Ensures resources are in place for security around the DPMU 5. Monitors DPMU personnel for physical, emotional, and psychological fatigue 6. Establishes and maintains liaison with assigned channels for logistical support 7. Coordinates DPMU efforts as necessary for the EOC, Mass Fatality Management Group, FM Assessment Team, FM Human Remains Recovery Team, Morgue Identification Center (MIC), Victim Information Center (VIC), and Family Assistance Center (FAC) 8. Acts as liaison or assigns person to interface with Public Information Officer (PIO) or Joint Information Center (JIC) 	Not Specified
EDUCATION	Bachelor of science degree in criminal justice, science, or a public administration-related field	Four years of experience in a Medical Examiner/Coroner (ME/C) department directly related to the job description may substitute for a bachelor of science degree.
TRAINING	<p>Completion of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. IS-100: Introduction to the Incident Command System, ICS-100 2. IS-200: Incident Command System for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents 3. ICS-300: Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents 4. ICS-400: Advanced Incident Command System for Command and General Staff - Complex Incidents 5. IS-700: National Incident Management System, An Introduction 6. IS-800: National Response Framework, An Introduction 7. G0191: ICS/EOC Interface 	Not Specified

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EXPERIENCE	<p>Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ability to work with database operations and tracking software 2. Familiarity with communications and logistics <p>Experience:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Successful completion of the National Qualification System (NQS) Position Task Book (PTB) for the National Incident Management System (NIMS) Fatality Management Disaster Portable Morgue Unit Leader, or equivalent Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) documentation 2. Administrative or investigative experience in a medical examiner's office, coroner system, or forensic unit of a law enforcement agency, involving morgue or incident facility maintenance 	Not Specified
PHYSICAL/MEDICAL FITNESS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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 	Not Specified
CURRENCY	Functions in this position during an operational incident, exercise, drill, or simulation at least once every two years	Not Specified
PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS	Training certificate or other documentation related to the field of mortuary or forensic sciences	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 Disaster Portable Morgue Unit Leader, latest edition adopted
2. FEMA, NIMS 508: Fatality Management Disaster Portable Morgue Unit
3. FEMA, NIMS 509: Mass Fatality Management Group Supervisor
4. FEMA, National Incident Management System (NIMS), October 2017
5. FEMA, NIMS Guideline for the NQS, November 2017
6. FEMA, National Response Framework, June 2016
7. 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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