

## AMBULANCE GROUND TEAM - ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT (ALS)

<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	The Ambulance Ground Team - Advanced Life Support (ALS) provides Emergency Medical Services (EMS) at a Paramedic level and deploys with personnel, ambulance, equipment and supplies to provide patient transport with emergency medical care
<b>RESOURCE CATEGORY</b>	Emergency Medical Services
<b>RESOURCE KIND</b>	Team
<b>OVERALL FUNCTION</b>	<p>The Ambulance Ground Team - ALS:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provides out-of-hospital emergency medical care, evacuation and transportation services at the Paramedic level as specified by the Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ)</li> <li>Is deployable as a single resource, or as part of a task force or strike team</li> </ol>
<b>COMPOSITION AND ORDERING SPECIFICATIONS</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discuss logistics for deploying this team, such as working conditions, length of deployment, medical supplies and equipment, communications equipment, security, lodging, transportation, fuel and meals, prior to deployment</li> <li>Discuss staffing for deploying this team, such as rotations, replacement crews, etc.</li> <li>This team works up to 12 hours per shift and is deployable for up to 14 days</li> <li>Discuss exceptions for or additions to EMS positions, such as EMS Vehicle Operator, Emergency Medical Responder (EMR), Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) and Advanced EMT (AEMT)</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>MINIMUM PERSONNEL PER TEAM</b>	2	AHJ should consider requesting additional staff to support 24-hour ambulance operations, as needed
<b>MANAGEMENT AND OVERSIGHT PERSONNEL PER TEAM</b>	Not Specified	Not Specified
<b>LEVEL OF CARE CAPABILITY PER TEAM</b>	ALS	AHJ determines level of care provided by the Ambulance Ground Team - ALS
<b>SUPPORT PERSONNEL PER TEAM</b>	1 - National Incident Management System (NIMS) Type 1 Paramedic 1 - NIMS Type 1 EMS Vehicle Operator, EMR, EMT, AEMT or Paramedic	AHJ determines support personnel authorized to operate the vehicle
<b>PATIENT CAPACITY PER TEAM</b>	Not Specified	Number of patients determined by design of vehicle
<b>SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT PER TEAM</b>	Ambulance supplies and equipment should meet applicable regulatory requirements	Not Specified

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<b>PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE) PER TEAM MEMBER</b>	Commensurate with mission assignment	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. PPE is mission-specific and varies with the working environment. PPE includes protective footwear, protective clothing for skin exposure, eye and hearing protection, respirators gloves and masks</li> <li>2. OSHA 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 1910.134 and Part 1910.1030 address PPE requirements</li> <li>3. OSHA CFR 29 Part 1910.120 address HAZMAT</li> </ol>
<b>COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT PER TEAM</b>	Not Specified	AHJ should ensure communications equipment is provided



## NOTES

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

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## REFERENCES

1. FEMA, NIMS 509: AEMT
2. FEMA, NIMS 509: EMR
3. FEMA, NIMS 509: EMS Vehicle Operator
4. FEMA, NIMS 509: EMT
5. FEMA, NIMS 509: Paramedic
6. FEMA, NIMS, October 2017
7. OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.120: Hazardous Materials Awareness, latest edition adopted
8. OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.134: Respiratory Protection, latest edition adopted
9. OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.1030: Bloodborne Pathogens, latest edition adopted