

FATALITY MANAGEMENT VICTIM INFORMATION CENTER TEAM

DESCRIPTION	The Fatality Management (FM) Victim Information Center (VIC) Team collects and manages information about missing persons and coordinates antemortem investigation, information gathering, and recording, under the authority of the presiding law enforcement and medico-legal agencies		
RESOURCE CATEGORY	Medical and Public Health	RESOURCE KIND	Team
OVERALL FUNCTION	<p>The FM VIC Team:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Establishes and operates a VIC 2. Collects and manages missing persons information within the VIC 3. Coordinates or supports call center operations for reports from the public about status of missing persons 4. Secures and maintains all records about disaster fatalities in accordance with the Authority Having Jurisdiction's (AHJ) policies and procedures 5. Collects and manages antemortem medical and dental records and biometric records, such as fingerprints 6. Operated under the direction of law enforcement and Medical Examiner/Coroner (ME/C) 	COMPOSITION AND ORDERING SPECIFICATIONS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Discuss logistics for deploying this team, such as security, lodging, transportation, and meals, prior to deployment 2. This team typically works 6 hours per shift, is self-sustainable for 72 hours, and is deployable for up to 14 days 3. Team members work in six-day rotations 4. Requestor orders the Disaster Portable Morgue Unit (DPMU) equipment and supply cache separately from this team, and the FM VIC Team has access to applicable portions of DPMU cache for its mission

RESOURCE TYPES			TYPE 1	NO TYPE 2	NO TYPE 3	NO TYPE 4
COMPONENT	METRIC/ MEASURE	CAPABILITY				
Personnel	Per Team	Management and Oversight	1 - National Incident Management System (NIMS) Type 1 FM VIC Team Leader	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
NOTES: Not Specified						
Equipment	Per Team	Communications	14 - Short-range, two-way portable radio 28 - Cell phone 1 - Satellite phone	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
NOTES: Not Specified						

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RESOURCE TYPES			TYPE 1	NO TYPE 2	NO TYPE 3	NO TYPE 4
COMPONENT	METRIC/ MEASURE	CAPABILITY				
Equipment	Per Team Member	Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)	PPE is mission specific and may include: 1. Respirators 2. Eye protection 3. Gloves 4. Protective footwear	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
			NOTES: The following regulations address PPE: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 1910.120: Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response, OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.134: Respiratory Protection, and OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.1030: Bloodborne Pathogens.			
Personnel	Per Team	Minimum	27	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
			NOTES: Not Specified			

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RESOURCE TYPES			TYPE 1	NO TYPE 2	NO TYPE 3	NO TYPE 4
COMPONENT	METRIC/ MEASURE	CAPABILITY				
Personnel	Per Team	Support	1 - NIMS Type 1 FM Information Collection Coordinator 5 - NIMS Type 1 FM Call Taker Specialist 7 - NIMS Type 1 FM Interview Specialist 2 - NIMS Type 1 FM Volunteer Training Specialist 1 - NIMS Type 1 FM Behavioral Health Chaplaincy Specialist or NIMS Type 2 Behavioral Health Specialist 1 - NIMS Type 1 FM VIC Data/Records Coordinator 1 - NIMS Type 1 FM Dental/Medical Records Acquisition Specialist 5 - NIMS Type 1 FM Data Entry Specialist 2 - NIMS Type 1 FM Records Management Specialist 1 - NIMS Type 1 FM VIC Documentation Specialist	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
			NOTES: Additional Call Taker Specialists and Interview Specialists may be ordered as single resources based on the size and scope of the incident.			
Equipment	Per Team	Information Technology	26 - Laptop computer and software 19 - Scanner 3 - Printer 19 - Bar code/QR reader capability or other method to track records	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
			NOTES: The software assists with forensic data assessments and includes spreadsheets and database programs.			

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REFERENCES

1. FEMA, NIMS 508: Fatality Management Morgue Processing Team
2. FEMA, NIMS 509: Fatality Management Behavioral Health Chaplaincy Specialist
3. FEMA, NIMS 509: Behavioral Health Specialist
4. FEMA, NIMS 509: Fatality Management Call Taker Specialist
5. FEMA, NIMS 509: Fatality Management Data Entry Specialist
6. FEMA, NIMS 509: Fatality Management Dental/Medical Records Acquisition Specialist
7. FEMA, NIMS 509: Fatality Management Information Collection Coordinator
8. FEMA, NIMS 509: Fatality Management Interview Specialist
9. FEMA, NIMS 509: Fatality Management Records Management Specialist
10. FEMA, NIMS 509: Fatality Management Victim Information Center Data/Records Coordinator
11. FEMA, NIMS 509: Fatality Management Victim Information Center Documentation Specialist
12. FEMA, NIMS 509: Fatality Management Victim Information Center Team Leader
13. FEMA, NIMS 509: Fatality Management Volunteer Training Specialist
14. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 1910.120: Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response, latest edition adopted
15. OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.134: Respiratory Protection, latest edition adopted
16. OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.1030: Bloodborne Pathogens, latest edition adopted

NOTES

1. Nationally typed resources represent the minimum criteria for the associated component and capability.
2. Medico-legal refers to any death that requires official medical examiner or coroner investigation.
3. Personnel consider and adhere to religious and cultural customs concerning the handling of remains if these customs do not affect the examination of remains or the incident investigation.
4. DPMU equipment and supply cache is self-sufficient for 72 hours of processing operations. Complete self-sufficiency requires base camp housing that is not included in the DPMU cache.
5. The FM VIC Team gathers information solely to identify deceased victims. Other Family Assistance Center personnel perform other social service activities.

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