

## BOMB RESPONSE TEAM

<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	A team of Bomb Technicians investigates suspicious items and renders safe hazardous devices.
<b>RESOURCE CATEGORY</b>	Law Enforcement Operations
<b>RESOURCE KIND</b>	Team with personnel/equipment components
<b>OVERALL FUNCTION</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Investigates, renders safe, and disposes of suspected hazardous devices, explosives, explosive materials (as the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives currently defines), pyrotechnics, and ammunition</li> <li>2. Coordinates investigations with other local, state, and federal partners</li> <li>3. Conducts bomb crime scene investigations</li> <li>4. Collects and preserves evidence</li> <li>5. Provides technical support to special operations, dignitary protection, and special events</li> </ol>
<b>COMPOSITION AND ORDERING SPECIFICATIONS</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Using established protocol, the Bomb Squad having jurisdiction over the incident frequently requests Bomb Teams</li> <li>2. When a federal agency is the lead agency for the incident, requestor should coordinate assets through that agency</li> <li>3. Mission needs dictate the desired team type: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. The requestor should specify the threat conditions, location, and operational environment</li> <li>b. Requests for resources should occur in direct consultation with the Bomb Squad Commander of the provider</li> <li>c. Only National Incident Management System (NIMS) Type 1 Bomb Response Teams perform diagnostic and render safe procedures in CBRNE events.</li> </ol> </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	TYPE 1	TYPE 2	TYPE 3	NOTES
<b>EQUIPMENT (COMMUNICATIONS) PER TEAM COMMUNICATION</b>	Same as Type 2	Same as Type 3	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 - Handheld two-way radio</li> <li>1 - Wireless device</li> </ol>	Interoperable Communications should provide real-time communications between their department and national resources across information technology systems that provide voice, photographic, and data capabilities. The National Guidelines for Bomb Technicians defines specified equipment.
<b>EQUIPMENT (VEHICLE AND SPECIALIZED EQUIPMENT) PER TEAM DETECTION AND DIAGNOSTIC</b>	Same as Type 2	Same as Type 3	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 - Portable x-ray system</li> <li>1 - Radiation detector</li> </ol>	The National Guidelines for Bomb Technicians defines detection and diagnostic equipment.
<b>EQUIPMENT (VEHICLE AND SPECIALIZED EQUIPMENT) PER TEAM DEFEAT AND DISPOSAL</b>	Same as Type 2, PLUS: 1 - Disrupter	Same as Type 3	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 - Disrupter</li> <li>1 - Demolition kit</li> </ol>	The National Guidelines for Bomb Technicians defines specified equipment.

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COMPONENT	TYPE 1	TYPE 2	TYPE 3	NOTES
<b>EQUIPMENT (VEHICLE AND SPECIALIZED EQUIPMENT) PER TEAM ACCESS AND REMOVAL</b>	Same as Type 2, PLUS: 1 - General Service Bomb Response Robot	Same as Type 3	1 - Rigging kit 1 - Set of hand tools	The National Guidelines for Bomb Technicians defines specified equipment.
<b>EQUIPMENT: PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE) PER TEAM PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)</b>	2 - Full coverage Bomb Suit compatible with a self- contained breathing apparatus (SCBA)	1 - Full coverage Bomb Suit	Not Specified	NIMS Type 1 Teams use appropriate PPE in accordance with the National Guidelines for Bomb Technicians.
<b>PERSONNEL PER TEAM MANAGEMENT, OPERATIONS, AND SUPPORT</b>	Same as Type 2	Same as Type 3	2 - NIMS Type 1 Bomb Technician	The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Hazardous Devices School certifies Bomb Technicians, in accordance with the National Guidelines for Bomb Technicians.
<b>PERSONNEL PER TEAM MINIMUM</b>	Same as Type 2	Same as Type 3	2	Not Specified
<b>VEHICLE PER TEAM TRANSPORTATION</b>	Same as Type 2	1 - Vehicle	Not Specified	A NIMS Type 3 Team may have access to a vehicle capable of carrying requisite personnel and equipment based on mission needs.

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### NOTES

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

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### REFERENCES

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