

Resource Typing Definition for Public Health, Healthcare, and Emergency Medical Services

Emergency Medical Services

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) VEHICLE OPERATOR

RESOURCE CATEGORY	Emergency Medical Services (EMS)	
RESOURCE KIND	Personnel	
OVERALL FUNCTION	The EMS Vehicle Operator is responsible for the safe operation of assigned emergency vehicles, including patient transport	
COMPOSITION AND ORDERING SPECIFICATIONS	 This position can be ordered as a single resource or in conjunction with a National Incident Management System (NIMS) typed team (Ambulance Ground Team – Advanced Life Support [ALS], Ambulance Ground Team – Basic Life Support [BLS], Ambulance Strike Team – ALS, Ambulance Strike Team – BLS, EMS Task Force) Discuss logistics for this position, such as security, lodging, transportation and meals, prior to deployment 	
	3. The position typically works 12 hours per shift, is self-sustainable for 72 hours and is deployable 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	The EMS Vehicle Operator is responsible for the safe operation of assigned ambulance, of less than 26,000 pounds (lbs.) Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW), generally used for patient care and transport	Not Specified
EDUCATION	Not Specified	Not Specified
TRAINING	 Completion of the following: IS-100: Introduction to the Incident Command System, ICS-100 IS-200: Basic Incident Command System for Initial Response, ICS-200 IS-700: National Incident Management System, An Introduction IS-800: National Response Framework, An Introduction Training in ambulance and emergency vehicle operations, or equivalent as required by the Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) Training in accordance with Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 1910.120: Hazardous Materials Awareness Training in accordance with OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.134: Respiratory Protection Training in accordance with OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.1030: Bloodborne Pathogens 	Not Specified



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COMPONENT	SINGLE TYPE	NOTES
EXPERIENCE	Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities: Current active status with a state approved emergency services agency, as required by the AHJ	Not Specified
PHYSICAL / MEDICAL FITNESS	Moderate Maintain immunizations in accordance with current AHJ requirements	NIMS Guideline for the National Qualification System (NQS) defines Physical/Medical Fitness levels for NIMS positions
CURRENCY	 Functions in this position during an incident response, planned event, operations-based exercise, drill or simulation at least once every five years Complies with accrediting entity, agency or body's established annual recertification, training and education, such as continuing education units or professional development hours, which may vary by organization, department and agency Maintains immunizations in accordance with current AHJ requirements Background checks as applicable law permits or as required by the AHJ 	The provider must carry out and use any background checks as applicable law specifies. This may include the following: background check currency within twelve months; sex offender registry check; and a local, state and national-based criminal history
PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS	 Valid state driver's license, with appropriate endorsements as required by the AHJ Emergency vehicle operator certification, as required by the AHJ 	Not specified

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NOTES

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

REFERENCES

- 1. FEMA, NIMS 508: Ambulance Ground Team Advanced Life Support (ALS)
- FEMA, NIMS 508: Ambulance Ground Team Basic Life Support (BLS)
- 3. FEMA, NIMS 508: Ambulance Strike Team Advanced Life Support (ALS)
- 4. FEMA, NIMS 508: Ambulance Strike Team Basic Life Support (BLS)
- 5. FEMA, NIMS 508: Emergency Medical Services Task Force
- 6. FEMA, National Incident Management System (NIMS), October 2017
- FEMA, NIMS Guideline for the National Qualification System, November 2017
- 8. FEMA, National Response Framework, June 2016
- 9. IS-100: Introduction to the Incident Command System, ICS-100
- 10. IS-200: Basic Incident Command System for Initial Response, ICS-200
- 11. IS-700: National Incident Management System, An Introduction
- 12. IS-800: National Response Framework, An Introduction
- 13. OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.120: Hazardous Materials Awareness, latest edition adopted
- 14. OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.134: Respiratory Protection, latest edition adopted
- 15. OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.1030: Bloodborne Pathogens, latest edition adopted