

SEARCH TEAM MANAGER

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Position Specific Requirements:

The Search Team Manager is responsible for managing the search function of the task force and supervising the Canine Search Specialists and Technical Search Specialists. The Search Team Manager reports directly to the Task Force Leader.

Description of Duties:

The Search Team Manager is responsible for:

- Developing and implementing the search component of the Task Force Tactical Action Plan
- Coordinating, managing, and supervising all search and reconnaissance activities
- Participating in the oversight, administrative and operational control of the development, implementation and operational aspects of search component training (Canine Search Specialists, Technical Search Specialists and Search Team Managers)
- Participating in the Canine Search Specialist evaluation process at the task force level
- Providing research and development input at the task force level for the implementation and evaluation of new technologies, equipment, tactics and skills as they pertain to the search component
- Land navigation and site mapping
- Determining search and reconnaissance operational, organizational and logistical needs
- Ensuring that all assigned personnel are kept informed of mission objectives and status changes to include briefings and debriefings
- Preparing performance evaluations for assigned personnel
- Providing situation updates, documenting and maintaining records and reports
- Providing oversight for accountability, maintenance, and minor repairs for all issued/assigned equipment
- Performing additional tasks or duties as assigned

Position Requirements and Criteria:

Individuals who meet the following requirements and criteria will be eligible to deploy as a Search Team Manager in support of Resource's activities. The intent of these requirements is to select functional managers, capable of effectively managing and supervising the search component, in the urban disaster environment.

Required Training:

The Search Team Manager shall:

1. Complete all General Training requirements.
2. Complete the FEMA National US&R Response System Technical Search Specialist course, or equivalent
3. Complete the FEMA National US&R Response System Canine Search Specialist course, or equivalent
4. Shall have experience in technical or canine search operations to include but not limited to participation in field exercise(s) and SAR deployments or equivalent qualification as determined by the SA/AHJ
5. Complete all Technical Rescue Skill Sets.

Recommended Training:

The Search Team Manager should:

1. Complete the FEMA National US&R Response System Structural Collapse Technician course, or equivalent
2. Complete the FEMA National US&R Response System Task Force Leaders' course, or equivalent
3. Complete the FEMA National US&R Response System Planning Team Training course, or equivalent
4. Complete NWCG GPS for Fire Management and ICS course or equivalent
5. Meet all requirements of NFPA 1670 Chapter 9 Section 9.3.5.
6. Meet requirements of NFPA 1006 Rescue Technician Level 1 & 2 (Excluding Chapter 1 Administration: Section 1.3.3):
 - Job Performance Requirements – Chapter 5
 - Rope Rescue Level 1 & 2 – Chapter 6
 - Confined Space Rescue Level 1 & 2 – Chapter 7
 - Trench Rescue Level 1 & 2– Chapter 8
 - Vehicle and Machinery Rescue – Chapter 10
 - Surface Water Rescue Level 1 & 2– Chapter 11
7. Complete ICS 300 in accordance with the NIMS Training Program
8. Complete ICS-400 in accordance with the NIMS Training Program
9. Complete all Technical Rescue Skill Sets.