Texas Emergency Medical Task Force

Component Overview



AST & AMST

[Ambulance & Air Medical Strike Teams]

MISSION

- Primary mission is to provide medical transport & evacuation services during a large-scale disaster.
- Secondary missions include responding to mass casualty incidents, firefighter rehabilitation, incident support for all hazards, & other appropriate, like missions.
- Strike teams are incorporated into regional response plans in addition to being available for a state activation

CAPABILITIES

- 24/7 response capable, mobile intensive care / advanced / basic life support ambulances [based upon license & crew credentials]
- A Strike Team is comprised of 5 [ground or air] ambulances led by a Strike Team Leader in an EMS Command vehicle
- Over 300 EMS, Fire, & Air Medical Providers are TX EMTF members, deployable on behalf of the State of Texas
- Each of the [8] EMTF Regions recruits strike teams that provide 35+ deployable teams

TYPING/STAFFING

 Ground Ambulances: Basic Life Support [BLS]: minimum [2] emergency care attendants Advanced Life Support [ALS]: minimum [1] EMT-Intermediate & [1] EMT-Basic Mobile Intensive Care Unit [MICU]: minimum [1] EMT-Paramedic & [1] EMT-Basic

 Air Ambulances [Rotary/Fixed]: Mobile Intensive Care Unit [MICU]: minimum [1] EMT-Paramedic/ Registered Nurse/ Physician & [1] EMT-Basic; both solely dedicated to patient care



Personnel / Asset Counts

AST:

- [11] Personnel
 - [2] Medics/Ambulance
- [1] Strike Team Leader
- [6] Vehicles
- [5] Ground Ambulances
- [1] EMS CMD Vehicle

AMST:

- [11+] Personnel
 - [2] Medics /Aircraft [+Flight Crew*]
 - [1] Strike Team Leader
- [6] Vehicles
- [5] Air Ambulances
- [1] EMS CMD Vehicle
- *Flight Crew is aircraft specific





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The TX EMTF Program is a series of components that activate resources on behalf of Texas on a State Mission Assignment [SMA] that provides a custom, scalable approach to medical disaster response. The key to the program is the ability to activate our members from EMS & fire departments, public and private healthcare organizations, regional coalitions, & state and local government who provide personnel & assets that activate during disasters.

