



Texas Emergency Medical Task Force

Position Description: TX EMTF Communication Technician

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Reports to:

The Communication Technician reports directly to the Logistics Team Leader.

Supervises:

None.

Position Specific Requirements:

The Communications Technician is responsible for managing and maintaining all communications and communications systems for the Ambulance Staging Area. In addition, he/she is responsible for assisting units located in the staging area with acquiring and improving appropriate communications systems to facilitate completion of their respective missions. The Communications Technician receives all messages from radio, satellite and other alternative methods and ensures proper dissemination to personnel assigned to the Ambulance Staging Area, as well as units currently located in the Staging Area.

Qualifications and Skills:

- + ICS 100, 200, 700
- + Have specialized training and subject matter expertise in radio and satellite communications
- + Knowledge of radio protocols, operational discipline, and information security protocols
- + Knowledge of land mobile radios, wired and wireless telephone systems, wired and wireless LANs, cables and connectors, GPS, secure communications, and satellite systems
- + Incident Management Team credentialing as Communications Technician (S-258), preferred but not required
- + Have working knowledge of statewide incident management in Texas
- + Coordinating communications with other entities, task forces, local municipalities and other divisions or groups working within the incident
- + Ensuring that all personnel working within the Staging Area have necessary access to printers, plotters, and internet

Assigned Duties:

- + Obtain copy of the Communications Plan (ICS-205) and implements appropriate Communications
- + Keeps the Logistics Team Leader Staging Manager informed of capabilities / limitations of plan of incident communications
- + The installation, operation, maintenance, and accountability of communications systems, to include radio, satellite, telephone, internet and GPS during the incident
- + Maintaining communications cache in full operational readiness at all times
- + Maintaining appropriate records (hand receipts) for all communications equipment received or distributed by the Staging Area