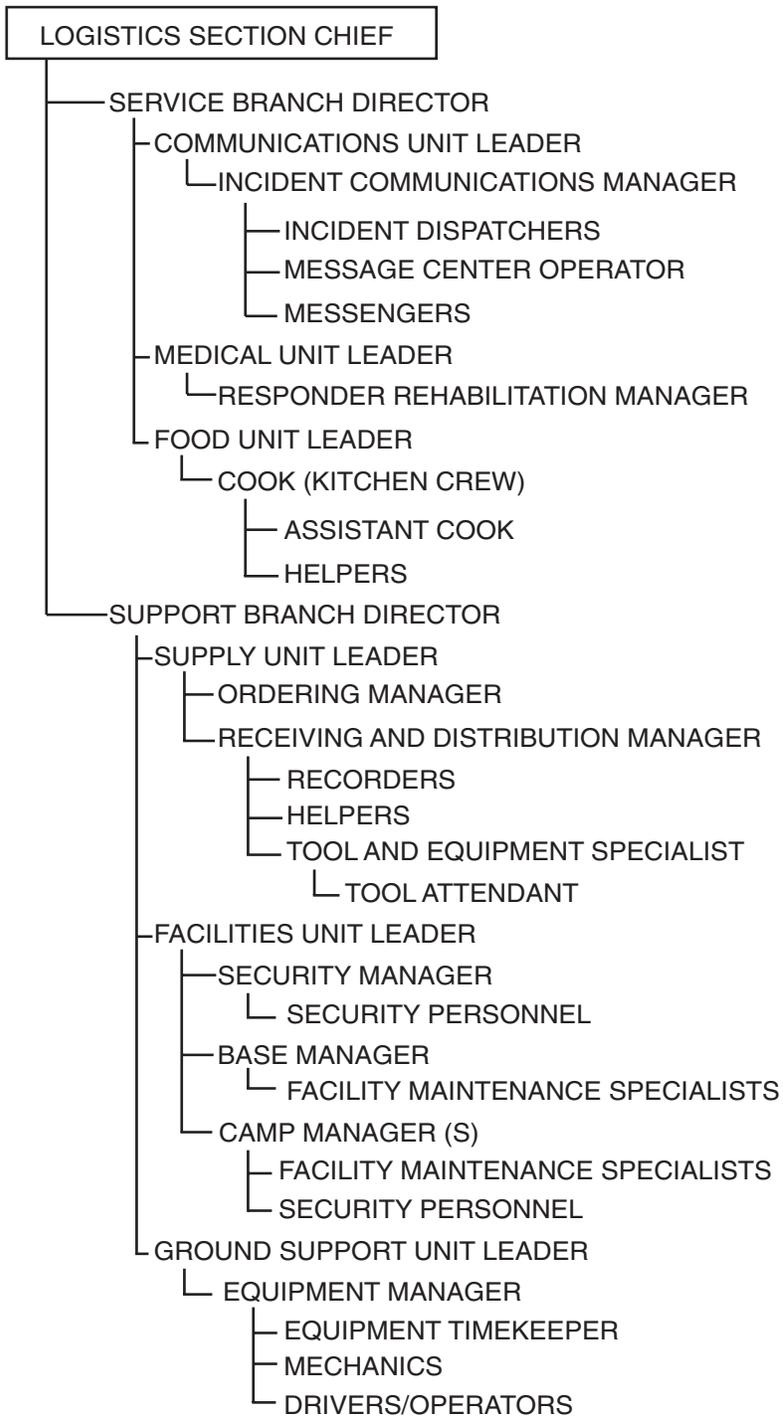


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ORGANIZATION CHART



POSITION CHECKLISTS

LOGISTICS SECTION CHIEF (ICS 223-1) The Logistics Section Chief, a member of the General Staff, is responsible for providing facilities, services, and material in support of the incident. The Section Chief participates in development and implementation of the Incident Action Plan and activates and supervises the Branches and Units within the Logistics Section.

- a. Review Common Responsibilities (page 1-2).
- b. Plan organization of Logistics Section.
- c. Assign work locations and preliminary work tasks to Section personnel.
- d. Notify Resources Unit of Logistics Section units activated including names and locations of assigned personnel.
- e. Assemble and brief Branch Directors and Unit Leaders.
- f. Participate in preparation of Incident Action Plan.
- g. Identify service and support requirements for planned and expected operations.
- h. Provide input to and review Communications Plan, Medical Plan and Traffic Plan.
- i. Coordinate and process requests for additional resources.
- j. Review Incident Action Plan and estimate Section needs for next operational period.
- k. Advise on current service and support capabilities.
- l. Prepare service and support elements of the Incident Action Plan.
- m. Estimate future service and support requirements.
- n. Receive Demobilization Plan from Planning Section.
- o. Recommend release of unit resources in conformity with Demobilization Plan.
- p. Ensure general welfare and safety of Logistics Section personnel.
- q. Maintain Unit/Activity Log (ICS Form 214).

SERVICE BRANCH DIRECTOR (ICS 223-6) The Service Branch Director, when activated, is under the supervision of the Logistics Section Chief, and is responsible for the management of all service activities at the incident. The Branch Director supervises the operations of the Communications, Medical and Food Units.

- a. Review Common Responsibilities (page 1-2).
- b. Obtain working materials.
- c. Determine level of service required to support operations.
- d. Confirm dispatch of Branch personnel.
- e. Participate in planning meetings of Logistics Section personnel.
- f. Review Incident Action Plan.
- g. Organize and prepare assignments for Service Branch personnel.
- h. Coordinate activities of Branch Units.
- i. Inform Logistics Chief of Branch activities.

- j. Resolve Service Branch problems.
- k. Maintain Unit/Activity Log (ICS Form 214).

COMMUNICATIONS UNIT LEADER (ICS 223-5) The Communications Unit Leader, under the direction of the Service Branch Director or Logistics Section Chief, is responsible for developing plans for the effective use of incident communications equipment and facilities; installing and testing of communications equipment; supervision of the Incident Communications Center; distribution of communications equipment to incident personnel; and the maintenance and repair of communications equipment.

- a. Review Common Responsibilities (page 1-2).
- b. Review Unit Leader Responsibilities (page 1-3).
- c. Determine unit personnel needs.
- d. Prepare and implement the Incident Radio Communications Plan (ICS Form 205).
- e. Ensure the Incident Communications Center and Message Center are established.
- f. Establish appropriate communications distribution/maintenance locations within base/camp(s).
- g. Ensure communications systems are installed and tested.
- h. Ensure an equipment accountability system is established.
- i. Ensure personal portable radio equipment from cache is distributed per Incident Radio Communications Plan.
- j. Provide technical information as required on:
 - Adequacy of communications systems currently in operation.
 - Geographic limitation on communications systems.
 - Equipment capabilities/limitations.
 - Amount and types of equipment available.
 - Anticipated problems in the use of communications equipment.
- k. Supervise Communications Unit activities.
- l. Maintain records on all communications equipment as appropriate.
- m. Ensure equipment is tested and repaired.
- n. Recover equipment from relieved or released units.

INCIDENT DISPATCHER The Incident Dispatcher (including Incident Communications Manager) is responsible to receive and transmit radio and telephone messages among and between personnel and to provide dispatch services at the incident.

- a. Review Common Responsibilities (page 1-2).
- b. Ensure adequate staffing (Incident Communications Manager).
- c. Obtain and review Incident Action Plan to determine incident organization and Incident Radio Communications Plan.
- d. Set up Incident Radio Communications Center - check out equipment.
- e. Request service on any inoperable or marginal equipment.

- f. Set up Message Center location as required.
- g. Receive and transmit messages within and external to incident.
- h. Maintain General Messages files.
- i. Maintain a record of unusual incident occurrences.
- j. Provide briefing to relief on:
 - Current activities.
 - Equipment status.
 - Any unusual communications situations.
- k. Turn in appropriate documents to Incident Communications Manager or Communications Unit Leader.
- l. Demobilize Communications Center in accordance with Incident Demobilization Plan.

MEDICAL UNIT LEADER (ICS 223-7) The Medical Unit Leader, under the direction of the Service Branch Director or Logistics Section Chief, is primarily responsible for the development of the Medical Plan, obtaining medical aid and transportation for injured and ill incident personnel, and preparation of reports and records.

- a. Review Common Responsibilities (page 1-2).
- b. Review Unit Leader Responsibilities (page 1-3).
- c. Participate in Logistics Section/Service Branch planning activities.
- d. Establish Medical Unit.
- e. Prepare the Medical Plan (ICS Form 206).
- f. Prepare procedures for major medical emergency.
- g. Declare major medical emergency as appropriate.
- h. Respond to requests for medical aid, medical transportation, medical supplies.
- i. Prepare and submit necessary documentation.

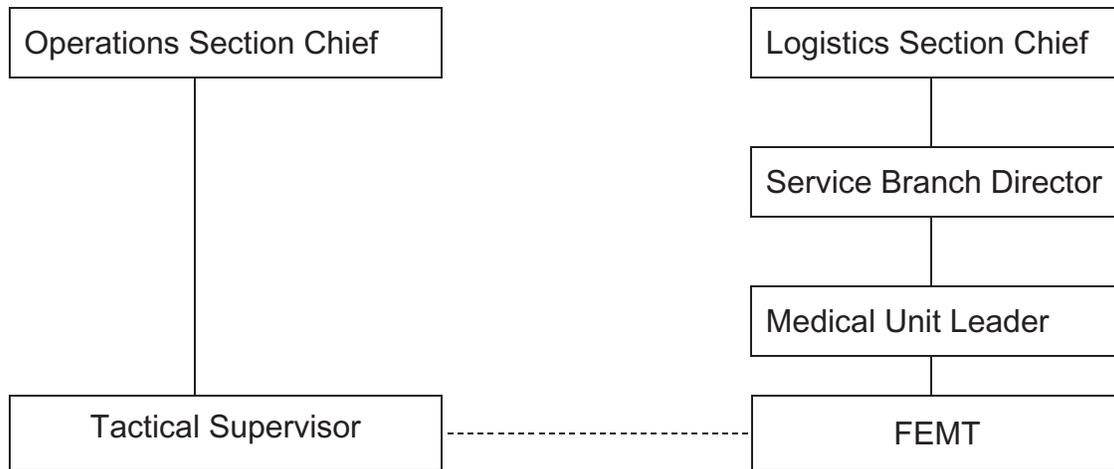
FIRELINE EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN (FEMT) (ICS 223-10) The FEMT provides emergency medical care to personnel operating on the fireline. The FEMT initially reports to the Medical Unit Leader, if established, or the Logistics Section Chief. The FEMT must establish and maintain liaison with, and respond to requests from, the operations personnel to whom they are assigned.

The checklist presented below should be considered as a minimum requirement for the position. Users of this manual may augment these lists as necessary. Note that some of the activities are one-time actions while others are ongoing for the duration of an incident.

- a. Review Common Responsibilities (Page 1-2)
- b. Check-in and obtain briefing from the Logistics Section Chief, or the Medical Unit Leader if established. Briefing will include current incident situation, anticipated medical needs, and required local medical protocol including documentation.

- c. Receive assignment and assess current situation.
- d. Anticipate needs and obtain medical supplies from the incident.
- e. Secure copies of local emergency medical service forms/paperwork if available.
- f. Secure/check out portable radio with all incident frequencies.
- g. Obtain a copy of the Incident Action Plan (IAP) and review the Medical Plan (ICS Form 206).
- h. Identify and contact assigned tactical supervisor and confirm your travel route, transportation and ETA **prior** to leaving your check-in location.
- i. Meet with assigned tactical supervisor and obtain briefing.
- j. Obtain briefing from the FEMT you are relieving, if applicable.
- k. Upon arrival at your assigned location, perform a radio check with your assigned tactical supervisor, incident Communications Unit and the Medical Unit, if established.
- l. Maintain ongoing contact and interaction with personnel on your assignment to assess medical needs and provide assistance when needed.
- m. Be prepared to make requests for transportation of ill and injured personnel, through channels, as outlined in the Medical Plan (ICS Form 206).
- n. Make notifications of incident related illnesses and injuries as outlined in the Medical Plan (ICS Form 206).
- o. At the conclusion of each shift advise your tactical supervisor that you are departing and will report to the Medical Unit Leader for debriefing and submission of patient care documentation.
- p. Secure operations and demobilize as outlined in the Demobilization Plan.
- q. Maintain a Unit Log (ICS Form 214).

ORGANIZATION The FEMT provides emergency medical care to personnel operating on the fireline. The FEMT initially reports to the Medical Unit Leader, if established, or the Logistics Section Chief. The FEMT must establish and maintain liaison with, and respond to requests from, the operations personnel to whom they are assigned. The FEMT is assigned as illustrated:



Note: The FEMT will be supervised by the tactical (line) supervisor while at the tactical location.

PERSONNEL The FEMT shall be ordered at the discretion of the Incident Commander. The FEMT Order will specify if the FEMT is to come with/without equipment. The number of tactically assigned FEMT s will depend upon the complexity, duration, and hazards of the incident. The FEMT may be assigned as a single resource; however, they can be paired due to safety or workload considerations.

The FEMT must, at minimum, be currently certified/licensed as an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT-I). The FEMT may also be an EMT-II or Paramedic (EMT-P). All levels of EMT s may be ordered to fulfill the role of an FEMT and are permitted to function within their Scope of Practice regardless of jurisdictional or political boundaries.

MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES AND PROCEDURES The major responsibilities of the FEMT are stated below. Following each activity, the procedures for implementing the activity are listed.

- a. Obtain briefing from the Logistics Section Chief, or the Medical Unit Leader, if established. The briefing should provide the following:
 1. Current incident situation.
 2. Review the Medical Plan and receive priorities.
 3. Incident communications channels.
 4. Overview of the FEMT assignment and potential hazards to assigned line personnel.
 5. Anticipated incident medical needs.
 6. Local medical protocols to include documentation procedures.

- b. Receive assignment and assess current situation.
 - 1. Number of personnel in assigned area.
 - 2. Fire behavior, weather conditions, terrain, other natural hazards, and safety alerts.
- c. Anticipate needs and obtain medical supplies from the incident. Refer to Medical Supply List as a recommended minimum requirement.
- d. Secure copies of local emergency medical service forms/ paperwork as necessary. If not available use FEMT s jurisdictional agency EMS forms.
- e. Secure/check out portable radio with all incident frequencies.
- f. Prior to each shift, obtain a copy of the Incident Action Plan (IAP) and review the Medical Plan (ICS Form 206).
- g. Identify and contact assigned tactical supervisor and confirm your travel route, transportation and ETA **prior** to leaving your check-in location.
- h. Meet with assigned tactical supervisor and obtain a briefing.
- i. Obtain a briefing from the FEMT you are relieving, if applicable.
- j. Upon arrival at your assigned location, perform a radio check with your assigned tactical supervisor, incident Communications Unit and the Medical Unit, if established.
- k. Maintain ongoing contact and interaction with personnel on your assignment to assess medical needs and provide assistance when needed.
- l. Be prepared to make requests for transportation of ill and injured personnel, through channels, as outlined in the Medical Plan (ICS Form 206).
- m. Make notifications of incident related illnesses and injuries as outlined in the Medical Plan (ICS Form 206).
- n. At the conclusion of each shift advise your tactical supervisor that you are departing and will report to the Medical Unit Leader for debriefing and submission of patient care documentation.
- o. Secure operations and demobilize as outlined in the Demobilization Plan.
- p. Maintain a Unit Log (ICS Form 214).

DEFINITIONS

Licensure/Certification- Documentation certifying that one has met specific requirements. These requirements may be successfully passing a written examination, skills examination and/or peer review process.

Protocol- A medically accepted course of treatment for a defined medical emergency. A protocol must be within the rescuer s Scope of Practice.

Scope Of Practice- Laws, guidelines and regulations defining the policies, procedures and responsibilities for a given group or practice. These are the authorized skills and procedures that an EMT-I, EMT-II or EMT-P may perform on a patient within scope of practice of their certifying authority.

EQUIPMENT

The FEMT shall respond with Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) appropriate for the assignment. The incident should provide medical supplies for the FEMT to meet or exceed the contents listed below. The FEMT can be ordered with/without equipment. Additionally, twelve feet of fluorescent flagging tape and a beacon-strobe (NFES 0298) to be used to identify an aircraft-landing zone should be provided by the incident.

RESPONDER REHABILITATION MANAGER The Rehabilitation Manager reports to the Medical Unit Leader and is responsible for the rehabilitation of incident personnel who are suffering from the effects of strenuous work and/or extreme conditions.

- a. Review Common Responsibilities (page 1-2).
- b. Designate responder rehabilitation location and have location announced on radio with radio designation "Rehab."
- c. Request necessary medical personnel to evaluate medical condition of personnel being rehabilitated.
- d. Request necessary resources for rehabilitation of personnel, e.g., water, juice, personnel.
- e. Request through Food Unit or Logistics Section Chief feeding as necessary for personnel being rehabilitated.
- f. Release rehabilitated personnel to Planning Section for reassignment.
- g. Maintain appropriate records and documentation.

FOOD UNIT LEADER (ICS 223-4) The Food Unit Leader is responsible for supplying the food needs for the entire incident, including all remote locations (e.g., Camps, Staging Areas), as well as providing food for personnel unable to leave tactical field assignments.

- a. Review Common Responsibilities (page 1-2).
- b. Review Unit Leader Responsibilities (page 1-3).
- c. Determine food and water requirements.
- d. Determine method of feeding to best fit each facility or situation.
- e. Obtain necessary equipment and supplies and establish cooking facilities.
- f. Ensure that well-balanced menus are provided.
- g. Order sufficient food and potable water from the Supply Unit.
- h. Maintain an inventory of food and water.

- i. Maintain food service areas, ensuring that all appropriate health and safety measures are being followed.
- j. Supervise caterers, cooks, and other Food Unit personnel as appropriate.

SUPPORT BRANCH DIRECTOR (ICS 223-2) The Support Branch Director, when activated, is under the direction of the Logistics Section Chief, and is responsible for development and implementation of logistics plans in support of the Incident Action Plan. The Support Branch Director supervises the operations of the Supply, Facilities and Ground Support Units.

- a. Review Common Responsibilities (page 1-2).
- b. Obtain work materials.
- c. Identify Support Branch personnel dispatched to the incident.
- d. Determine initial support operations in coordination with Logistics Section Chief and Service Branch Director.
- e. Prepare initial organization and assignments for support operations.
- f. Assemble and brief Support Branch personnel.
- g. Determine if assigned Branch resources are sufficient.
- h. Maintain surveillance of assigned units work progress and inform Section Chief of activities.
- i. Resolve problems associated with requests from Operations Section.
- j. Maintain Unit/Activity Log (ICS Form 214).

SUPPLY UNIT LEADER (ICS 223-9) The Supply Unit Leader is primarily responsible for ordering personnel, equipment and supplies; receiving, and storing all supplies for the incident; maintaining an inventory of supplies; and servicing non-expendable supplies and equipment.

- a. Review Common Responsibilities (page 1-2).
- b. Review Unit Leader Responsibilities (page 1-3).
- c. Participate in Logistics Section/Support Branch planning activities.
- d. Determine the type and amount of supplies enroute.
- e. Review Incident Action Plan for information on operations of the Supply Unit.
- f. Develop and implement safety and security requirements.
- g. Order, receive, distribute, and store supplies and equipment.
- h. Receive and respond to requests for personnel, supplies and equipment.
- i. Maintain inventory of supplies and equipment.
- j. Service reusable equipment.
- k. Submit reports to the Support Branch Director.

ORDERING MANAGER CHECKLIST The Ordering Manager is responsible for placing all orders for supplies and equipment for the incident. The Ordering Manager reports to the Supply Unit Leader.

- a. Review Common Responsibilities (page 1-2).
- b. Obtain necessary agency(s) order forms.
- c. Establish ordering procedures.
- d. Establish name and telephone numbers of agency(s) personnel receiving orders.
- e. Set up filing system.
- f. Get names of incident personnel who have ordering authority.
- g. Check on what has already been ordered.
- h. Ensure order forms are filled out correctly.
- i. Place orders in a timely manner.
- j. Consolidate orders when possible.
- k. Identify times and locations for delivery of supplies and equipment.
- l. Keep Receiving and Distribution Manager informed of orders placed.
- m. Submit all ordering documents to Documentation Control Unit through Supply Unit Leader before demobilization.

RECEIVING AND DISTRIBUTION MANAGER CHECKLIST The Receiving and Distribution Manager is responsible for receiving and distribution of all supplies and equipment (other than primary resources) and the service and repair of tools and equipment. The Receiving and Distribution Manager reports to the Supply Unit Leader.

- a. Review Common Responsibilities (page 1-2).
- b. Order required personnel to operate supply area.
- c. Organize physical layout of supply area.
- d. Establish procedures for operating supply area.
- e. Set up filing system for receiving and distribution of supplies and equipment.
- f. Maintain inventory of supplies and equipment.
- g. Develop security requirement for supply area.
- h. Establish procedures for receiving supplies and equipment.
- i. Submit necessary reports to Supply Unit Leader.
- j. Notify Ordering Manager of supplies and equipment received.
- k. Provide necessary supply records to Supply Unit Leader.

TOOL AND EQUIPMENT SPECIALIST The Tool and Equipment Specialist is responsible for sharpening, servicing and repair of all hand tools. The Tool and Equipment Specialist reports to the Receiving and Distribution Manager.

- a. Review Common Responsibilities (page 1-2).
- b. Determine personnel requirements.
- c. Obtain necessary equipment and supplies.
- d. Set up tool storage and conditioning area.
- e. Establish tool inventory and accountability system.
- f. Maintain all tools in proper condition.

- g. Assemble tools for issuance each operational period per Incident Action Plan.
- h. Receive and recondition tools after each operational period.
- i. Ensure that all appropriate safety measures are taken in tool conditioning area.

FACILITIES UNIT LEADER (ICS 223-8) The Facilities Unit Leader is primarily responsible for the layout and activation of incident facilities, e.g., Base, Camp(s) and Incident Command Post. The Unit provides sleeping and sanitation facilities for incident personnel and manages Base and Camp(s) operations. Each facility (Base, Camp) is assigned a manager who reports to the Facilities Unit Leader and is responsible for managing the operation of the facility. The basic functions or activities of the Base and Camp Managers are to provide security service, and general maintenance. The Facility Unit Leader reports to the Support Branch Director.

- a. Review Common Responsibilities (page 1-2).
- b. Review Unit Leader Responsibilities (page 1-3).
- c. Receive a copy of the Incident Action Plan.
- d. Participate in Logistics Section/Support Branch planning activities.
- e. Determine requirements for each facility.
- f. Prepare layouts of incident facilities.
- g. Notify unit leaders of facility layout.
- h. Activate incident facilities.
- i. Provide Base and Camp Managers.
- j. Provide sleeping facilities.
- k. Provide security services.
- l. Provide facility maintenance services-sanitation, lighting, clean up.

FACILITY MAINTENANCE SPECIALIST The Facility Maintenance Specialist is responsible to ensure that proper sleeping and sanitation facilities are maintained; to provide shower facilities; to provide and maintain lights and other electrical equipment; and to maintain the Base, Camp and Incident Command Post facilities in a clean and orderly manner.

- a. Review Common Responsibilities (page 1-2).
- b. Request required maintenance support personnel and assign duties.
- c. Obtain supplies, tools, and equipment.
- d. Supervise/perform assigned work activities.
- e. Ensure that all facilities are maintained in a safe condition.
- f. Disassemble temporary facilities when no longer required.
- g. Restore area to pre-incident condition.

SECURITY MANAGER CHECKLIST The Security Manager is responsible to provide safeguards needed to protect personnel and property from loss or damage.

- a. Review Common Responsibilities (page 1-2).
- b. Establish contacts with local law enforcement agencies as required.
- c. Contact the Resource Use Specialist for crews or Agency Representatives to discuss any special custodial requirements which may affect operations.
- d. Request required personnel support to accomplish work assignments.
- e. Ensure that support personnel are qualified to manage security problems.
- f. Develop Security Plan for incident facilities.
- g. Adjust Security Plan for personnel and equipment changes and releases.
- h. Coordinate security activities with appropriate incident personnel.
- i. Keep the peace, prevent assaults, settle disputes through coordination with Agency Representatives.
- j. Prevent theft of all government and personal property.
- k. Document all complaints and suspicious occurrences.

BASE MANAGER The Base Manager is responsible to ensure that appropriate sanitation, security, and facility management services are conducted at the Base. The Base Manager duties include:

- a. Review Common Responsibilities (page 1-2).
- b. Determine personnel support requirements.
- c. Obtain necessary equipment and supplies.
- d. Ensure that all facilities and equipment are set up and properly functioning. Supervise the establishment of:
 - Sanitation facilities (including showers).
 - Sleeping facilities.
- e. Make sleeping area assignments.
- f. Ensure that strict compliance is made with all applicable safety regulations.
- g. Ensure that all facility maintenance services are provided.

CAMP MANAGER On large incidents, one or more camps may be established by the General Staff to provide better support to operations. Camps may be in place several days or may be moved depending upon the nature of the incident. Functional unit activities performed at the ICS Base may be performed at the Camp(s). These *could* include: Supply, Medical, Ground Support, Food, Communications and Finance/Administration as well as the Facilities Unit functions of facility maintenance and security. Camp Managers are responsible to provide non technical coordination for all units operating within the Camp. Units assigned to Camps will be determined by the ICS General Staff. Personnel requirements for units at Camps will be determined by the parent unit based on kind and size of incident and expected duration of Camp operations.

- a. Review Common Responsibilities (page 1-2).
- b. Determine personnel support requirements.
- c. Obtain necessary equipment and supplies.
- d. Ensure that all sanitation, shower and sleeping facilities are set up and properly functioning.
- e. Make sleeping arrangements.
- f. Provide direct supervision for all facility maintenance and security services at Camp.
- g. Ensure that strict compliance is made with all applicable safety regulations.
- h. Ensure that all Camp to Base communications are centrally coordinated.
- i. Ensure that all Camp to Base transportation scheduling is centrally coordinated.
- j. Provide overall coordination of all Camp activities to ensure that all assigned units operate effectively and cooperatively in meeting incident objectives.
- k. Maintain Unit/Activity Log (ICS Form 214).

GROUND SUPPORT UNIT LEADER (ICS 223-3) The Ground Support Unit Leader is primarily responsible for: 1) support out of service resources; 2) transportation of personnel, supplies, food, and equipment; 3) fueling, service, maintenance, and repair of vehicles and other ground support equipment; and 4) implementing Traffic Plan for the incident.

- a. Review Common Responsibilities (page 1-2).
- b. Review Unit Leader Responsibilities (page 1-3).
- c. Participate in Support Branch/Logistics Section planning activities.
- d. Develop and implement Traffic Plan.
- e. Support out-of-service resources.
- f. Notify Resources Unit of all status changes on support and transportation vehicles.
- g. Arrange for and activate fueling, maintenance, and repair of ground resources.
- h. Maintain inventory of support and transportation vehicles (ICS Form 218).
- i. Provide transportation services.
- j. Collect use information on rented equipment.
- k. Requisition maintenance and repair supplies (e.g., fuel, spare parts).
- l. Maintain incident roads.
- m. Submit reports to Support Branch Director as directed.

EQUIPMENT MANAGER The Equipment Manager provides service, repair and fuel for all apparatus and equipment; provides transportation and support vehicle services; and maintains records of equipment use and service provided.

- a. Review Common Responsibilities (page 1-2).
- b. Obtain Incident Action Plan to determine locations for assigned resources, Staging Area locations, and fueling and service requirements for all resources.
- c. Obtain necessary equipment and supplies.
- d. Provide maintenance and fueling according to schedule.
- e. Prepare schedules to maximize use of available transportation.
- f. Provide transportation and support vehicles for incident use.
- g. Coordinate with Agency Representatives on service and repair policies as required.
- h. Inspect equipment condition and ensure coverage by equipment agreement.
- i. Determine supplies (e.g., gasoline, diesel, oil and parts needed to maintain equipment in efficient operating condition), and place orders with Supply Unit.
- j. Maintain Support Vehicle Inventory (ICS Form 218).
- k. Maintain equipment rental records.
- l. Maintain equipment service and use records.
- m. Check all service repair areas to ensure that all appropriate safety measures are being taken.

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