



## **Kansas Search & Rescue Response System**

### **SEARCH TEAM MANAGER**

#### **Position Description**

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

The Search Team Manager is responsible for:

- Developing and implementing the search component of the task force/team tactical action plan and/or tactical worksheet
- Coordinating, managing, and supervising all search and reconnaissance activities; determining search and reconnaissance operational, organizational, and logistical needs
- Participating in the oversight, administrative and operational development, implementation and operational aspects of search component training; providing research and development input at the task force/team level for the implementation and evaluation of new technologies, equipment, tactics and skills as they pertain to the search component
- Participating in the Canine Search Specialist evaluation process at the task force/team level
- Land navigation and site mapping
- Ensuring that all assigned personnel are kept informed of mission objectives and status changes to include briefings and debriefings
- Providing situation updates, documenting and maintaining records and reports
- Providing oversight for accountability, maintenance, and the minor repair of all assigned equipment
- Adhering to all safety procedures
- 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 the Kansas Search & Rescue Response System. The intent of these requirements is to select functional managers, capable of effectively managing and supervising the search component of the task force/team in the disaster environment.

### **Required Training**

The Search Team Manager shall:

- Meet all administrative and general training requirements
- Complete the FEMA National US&R Response System Technical Search Specialist course or equivalent
- Complete the FEMA National US&R Response System Canine Search Specialist course or equivalent
- Have experience in technical or canine search operations to include but not limited to participation in field exercises and search & rescue deployments, or equivalent qualification as determined by the SA/AHJ
- Complete the FEMA National US&R Response System GPS Operations Level course or equivalent
- Complete the Technical Rescue Skill Sets

### **Recommended Training**

The Search Team Manager should:

- Meet the requirements of NFPA 1670, Chapter 9, Section 9.3.6
- Meet the requirements of NFPA 1006 Technical Rescuer Level 1 & 2 (excluding 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 Rescue Level 1 & 2 – Chapter 10
  - Machinery Rescue Level 1 & 2 – Chapter 19
  - Surface Water Rescue Level 1 & 2 – Chapter 11
- Complete refresher training as required by the AHJ in accordance with Technical Rescuer (NFPA 1006)
- Complete the FEMA National US&R Response System Structural Collapse Technician course or equivalent
- Complete ICS-300 in accordance with the NIMS Training Program
- Complete ICS-400 in accordance with the NIMS Training Program
- Complete the FEMA National US&R Response System Task Force Leader course or equivalent
- Complete the FEMA National US&R Response System Planning Team Training course or equivalent