



National Registry of Certified EmComm Volunteers

RESOURCE:		COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT TEAM (AMATEUR RADIO)			
CATEGORY:	RESOURCE MANAGEMENT			KIND:	TEAM
MINIMUM CAPABILITIES:		TYPE I	TYPE II	TYPE III	TYPE IV
COMPONENT	METRIC				
Personnel	Manning	4 radio operators (2 operators General Class or higher, the remainder may be Technician Class or higher) 1 Unit Leader (Technician class or higher)	3 radio operators (2 operators General Class or higher, the remainder may be Technician Class or higher) 1 Unit Leader (Technician class or higher)	2 radio operators (Technician Class or higher and 1 General class) 1 Unit Leader (Technician class or higher)	1 radio operator (Technician Class or higher) 1 Unit Leader (Technician class or higher)
Equipment	Communications	1 each - Mobile Dual Band VHF (2 Meter) FM/ UHF(70 Cm) FM radio and 2 each - Portable VHF (2 Meter) FM or Dual Band VHF/UHF Radio 1 - Mobile/Portable VHF (2 Meter)/UHF (70 Cm) crossband repeater 1 - Portable VHF (2 Meter) FM repeater or Portable UHF (70 Cm) FM repeater 1 - HF Radio with automatic antenna tuner VHF (2 Meter) E-mail Link Capability Packet Capability APRS Capability HF E-mail Link Capability Cell Phone	1 each - Mobile Dual Band VHF (2 Meter) FM/ UHF(70 Cm) FM radios and 2 each - Portable VHF (2 Meter) FM or Dual Band VHF/UHF Radio 1 - Mobile/Portable VHF (2 Meter)/UHF (70 Cm) crossband repeater 1 - HF Radio with automatic antenna tuner VHF (2 Meter) E-mail Link Capability Packet Capability APRS Capability Cell Phone	Same as Type IV Plus 1- HF Radio with automatic antenna tuner	VHF (2 Meter) FM radio and/or Dual Band VHF/UHF (70 Cm) FM radio Cell Phone (Recommended) VHF (2 Meter) E-mail Link Capability Packet Capability APRS Capability
Equipment (Cont)	Vehicle	1 - Converted SUV, Travel Trailer or other vehicle, or trailer requiring an additional tow vehicle. Independent of outside power source or infrastructure	1 - Converted SUV, Travel Trailer or other vehicle, or trailer requiring an additional tow vehicle. Independent of outside power source or infrastructure	1 – Vehicle (4x4 or AWD recommended)	1 – Vehicle (4x4 or AWD recommended)
Team	Availability and Duration	Same as Type II	Extended operations (greater than 1 week)	Same as Type IV	Short duration (up to 1 week)
Management Support	Coordination Capabilities	Team management only	Team management only	Team management only	Team management only
Notes		<p>Availability does not require continuous availability of specific personnel, only that teams are available to those specifications. Type III & IV teams are expected to support local level incident operations or as local relay points. Type II teams are expected to support regional incident operations with multiple agencies. Type I teams are expected to support regional, state or national incident operations with multiple agencies. All teams are designed to provide 24/7 coverage, utilizing 12 hour shifts, and to be self sustaining for a minimum of 72 hours.</p> <p><i>CST Strike Team – is a group of 5 CST teams of the same type/kind and a Strike Team Leader. The CST Strike Team provides an operational grouping of CSTs complete with supervisory elements for organizational command and control. A Strike team may be all Type IV or all Type III or all Type II or all Type I CSTs</i></p>			