

POSITION TASK BOOK FOR THE POSITION OF

NATIONAL QUALIFICATION SYSTEM FINANCE/ADMINISTRATION SECTION CHIEF

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Evaluator Verification

(Do <u>not</u> complete this form unless you are recommending the trainee for all-hazards certification.)

FINAL EVALUATOR VERIFICATION	
I verify that	_
has successfully completed all tasks as a trainee and should therefore be considered for certification in this position. I also verify that all tasks are documented with appropriate initials.	in
FINAL EVALUATOR'S SIGNATURE:	
DATE:	
FINAL EVALUATOR'S PRINTED NAME:	
TITLE:	
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Documentation of Agency Certification

Position Task Book Overview

The Position Task Book (PTB) documents the performance criteria a trainee must meet to be certified for a position within the National Qualification System (NQS). The performance criteria are associated with core NQS competencies, behaviors and tasks.

A trainee may not work on multiple position type PTBs for a specific position at the same time; for example, a trainee may not simultaneously work on a Type 1 Incident Commander PTB and a Type 2 Incident Commander PTB. If a position has multiple types, the trainee must, in most cases, qualify at the lowest type before pursuing the next higher type. For example, before seeking qualification for a Type 1 position, an individual must first qualify at the Type 3 level and then at the Type 2 level.

Evaluation Process

- Evaluators observe and review a trainee's completion of PTB tasks, initialing and dating each successfully completed task in the PTB.
- Evaluators complete an Evaluation Record Form after each evaluation period by documenting the trainee's performance.
- The Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) may not have enough resources to ensure that every evaluator is qualified in the position being assessed. Therefore, a trainee's supervisor may evaluate the completion of PTB tasks. For example, a Logistics Section Chief has the authority to sign off on completed PTB tasks for a Food Unit Leader trainee.
- The final evaluator is a leader who verifies that a trainee has completed the PTB and met all requirements for the position. A final evaluator is generally qualified in the same position for which the trainee is applying. When possible, the evaluator and the final evaluator should not be the same person, but in situations with limited resources, the evaluator can also serve as the final evaluator.
- Once the final evaluator has completed the Final Evaluator Verification, he/she forwards it to the Quality Review Board (QRB) along with supporting evidence that the trainee has completed all position requirements.
- After the QRB review, the AHJ completes the Documentation of Agency Certification form as appropriate.

Transferring Qualifications

- Personnel who have documentation of previous education, training, or significant on-the-job incident experience may receive credit toward qualification for a given position. Each AHJ establishes the requirements for transferring qualifications from another AHJ.
- If an AHJ chooses not to accept a trainee's existing certification of qualification, the trainee may be reevaluated in the specific position and issued a new PTB.
- An individual may hold multiple certifications of qualification (that is, the Final Evaluator Verification form and the Documentation of Agency Certification form) along with the completed PTB.

Position Task Book Competencies, Behaviors and Tasks

The PTB sets minimum criteria for certification for a position. The AHJ has the authority to add content to the baseline PTB competencies, behaviors and tasks as necessary.

The PTB covers all type levels for a given position, but a trainee may check only one "Type" box and work on only one type at a time. (The National Incident Management System (NIMS) Job Title/Position Qualifications document describes all types.)

Command and General Staff job titles/positions qualifications are typed based on incident complexity, while all other NIMS positions are typed based on the minimum qualifications.

Definitions

Competency: An observable, measurable pattern of knowledge, skills, abilities and other characteristics an individual needs to perform an activity and its associated tasks. A competency specifies the skillset a person needs to possess to complete the tasks successfully.

Behavior: An observable work activity or a group of similar tasks necessary to perform the activity.

Task: A specific, demonstrable action necessary for successful performance in a position. Trainees must demonstrate completion of required tasks.

- Occasionally, PTB tasks are unique to one of the types; for example, certain tasks apply only to a Type 3 Incident Commander, not to a Type 2 or Type 1 Incident Commander. In those cases, the PTB indicates the corresponding type at the beginning of the task.
- All tasks require evaluation; however, bullet statements within a task are examples.

PTB Task Codes

For each of the tasks listed in the Position Task Book (PTB), there are one or more codes describing the circumstances in which the trainee can perform tasks related to the position. If a task has multiple codes listed, it means the evaluator can assess the trainee on any of those circumstances as opposed to evaluating the trainee on all of the listed codes.

Code C: Task performed in training or classroom setting, including seminars and workshops.

Code E: Task performed on a full-scale exercise with equipment deployment under the Incident Command System (ICS).

Code F: Task performed on a functional exercise managed under ICS.

Code I: Task performed on an incident or event managed under ICS. Examples of incidents and events that may employ ICS include but are not limited to an oil spill, search and rescue, hazardous material response, fire and emergency or non-emergency (planned or unplanned) events.

Code J: Task performed as part of day-to-day job duties.

Code T: Task performed during a tabletop exercise.

Code R: Task performed very rarely and used only if applicable to the event.

How to Complete the Evaluation Record Form

Each Evaluation Record Form (see next page) covers one evaluation period. Evaluation periods may involve incidents, classroom simulations, or daily duties, depending on what the PTB recommends. The AHJ determines the number of evaluations required for position qualification and certification. If evaluators need additional evaluation periods, they can copy pages from a blank PTB and attach them to the PTB in question.

Complete these items AT THE START of the evaluation period:

Evaluation Record Number: Label each evaluation record with a number to identify the incident(s), exercise(s), or event(s) during which the trainee completed the PTB tasks. The evaluator should also write this number in the PTB column labeled "Evaluation Record #" for each task performed satisfactorily. This number enables reviewers of the completed PTB to ascertain the evaluators' qualifications before signing off on the PTB.

Evaluator's name; Incident/office title and agency: List the name of the evaluator, his/her incident position or office title and the evaluator's home agency.

Evaluator's home unit address and phone: List evaluator's home unit address and phone number.

Name and location of incident or simulation/exercise: Identify the name (if applicable) and location where the trainee performed the tasks.

Incident kind: Enter the kind of incident (such as hazmat, law enforcement, wildland fire, structural fire, search and rescue, flood or tornado).

Complete these items AT THE END of the evaluation period:

Number and kind of resources: Enter the number of resources assigned to the incident and their kind (such as team, personnel and equipment) pertinent to the trainee's PTB.

Evaluation period: Enter inclusive dates of trainee evaluation. This time span may cover several small, similar incidents.

Position type: Enter position type (such as Type 3, Type 2, Type 1, or Single Type).

Recommendation: Check the appropriate line and make comments below regarding the trainee's future development needs.

Additional recommendations/comments: Provide additional recommendations and comments about trainee, as necessary.

Date: List the current date.

Evaluator's initials: Initial here to authenticate your recommendations and to allow for comparison with initials in the PTB.

Evaluator's relevant qualification: List your certification relevant to the trainee position you supervised.

Evaluation Record Form

TRAINEE NAME:
TRAINEE POSITION:
Evaluation Record Number:
Evaluator's name:
Incident/office title and agency:
Evaluator's home unit address and phone:
Name and location of incident or simulation/exercise:
Incident kind:
Number and kind of resources:
Evaluation period:
Position type:
Recommendation:
The above named trainee performed the initialed and dated tasks under my supervision. I recommend the following for this trainee's further development:
The trainee has successfully performed all required tasks for the position. The AHJ should consider the individual for certification.
The trainee could not complete certain tasks or needs additional guidance. See comments below.
Not all tasks were evaluated on this assignment. An additional assignment is needed to complete the evaluation.
The trainee is severely deficient in the performance of tasks and needs further training prior to additional assignment(s) as a trainee for this position.
Additional recommendations/comments:
Date:
Evaluator's initials:
Evaluator's relevant qualification:

Finance/Administration Section Chief

1. Competency: Assume position responsibilities

Description: Successfully assume the role of Finance/Administration Section Chief and initiate position activities at the appropriate time according to the following behaviors.

1a. Behavior: Ensure readiness for assignment

	TASK	CODE	EVALUATION RECORD #	EVALUATOR INITIALS AND DATE
1.	Obtain, assemble and prepare information and materials for go-kit. The kit should contain critical items for the assignment and be easily transportable: • Supplies: • Office supplies appropriate to the function • Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) identification badge and qualification card • Reference materials: • Functional guidelines relative to incident type (agency guidance or other functional guidelines) • AHJ operations guides or other operational guides • Position manuals • Forms: • Agency-specific forms appropriate to the function	E, F, I		
2.	 Obtain complete incident and logistical information: Incident name, number, anticipated duration, size, type, responsibilities and expectations Reporting time and location Transportation arrangements and travel routes Contact procedures during travel (telephone/radio) Expected working conditions Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Security measures Updated contact information and information links 	E, F, I		
3.	 Arrive properly equipped at designated time and location and check in according to agency/organization guidelines: Arrive with go-kit and any additional equipment Carry out check-in procedures and ensure assigned personnel do the same 	E, F, I		

1b. Behavior: Obtain information relevant to position assignment

	TASK	CODE	EVALUATION RECORD #	EVALUATOR INITIALS AND DATE
4.	Receive briefing from Incident Commander (IC) or outgoing Finance/Administration Section Chief: Situational assessment Incident priorities and objectives Strategy Hazards to incident personnel and public Agencies/jurisdictions involved Organizational structure Resources summary Logistical needs Ordering procedures Incident priorities and status: life safety, incident stabilization, property and environment	E, F, I		
5.	 Obtain and review necessary documentation: Copy of Delegation of Authority, Letter of Expectation, Letter of Agreement, or Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Applicable plans Directories: phone, notification Written incident status summary Authorizations: cell phones, rental vehicles, computers 	E, F, I		

1c. Behavior: Establish or determine organizational structure, resource and staffing needs

	TASK	CODE	EVALUATION RECORD#	EVALUATOR INITIALS AND DATE
6.	 Evaluate staffing needs required to manage the section: Ensure consistency with National Incident Management System (NIMS) organizational structure Identify training opportunities Ensure use of established procedures for ordering resources Request appropriate technical specialists to assist with special incident conditions 	E, F, I		
7.	 Activate section personnel: Establish appropriate organization and assign roles and responsibilities, while maintaining span of control 	E, F, I		
8.	 Work closely with Operations Section to identify kind, type, and number of resources required to achieve section objectives: Consider incident type and complexity, kinds and types of resources, resource availability and health and safety factors Consider long-range and contingency plans and identify potential future resources 	E, F, I		

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2. Competency: Lead assigned personnel

Description: Influence, lead and direct assigned personnel to accomplish objectives and desired outcomes in a potentially rapidly changing environment.

2a. Behavior: Model leadership values and principles

TASK	CODE	EVALUATION RECORD #	EVALUATOR INITIALS AND DATE
 9. Understand and comply with NIMS/Incident Command System (ICS) concepts and principles: Establish and modify an effective organization based on changing incident and resource conditions Maintain appropriate span of control Act as a representative of incident leadership 	E, F, I		
 10. Create a positive work environment: Communicate commander's intent and guidance Manage section and its activities effectively Proactively assume responsibility for the section and initiate action 	E, F, I		
11. Exhibit principles of duty, respect and integrity as a leader.	C, E, F, I, J, T		
 12. Establish and maintain positive interpersonal and interagency working relationships: Understand scope, roles, responsibilities, jurisdiction and authority of responding agencies 	E, F, I		

2b. Behavior: Communicate incident priorities and supervise personnel

TASK	CODE	EVALUATION RECORD#	EVALUATOR INITIALS AND DATE
13. Communicate with assigned personnel:	E, F, I		
 Communicate priorities, objectives, strategies and any 			
changes			
 Inform personnel of their assigned tasks and 			
expectations			
 Clearly explain conflict resolution procedures and 			
ensure that personnel understand			
 Ensure that assigned objectives and expectations for 			
the operational period are reasonable and accurate			
14. Ensure that staff follows all applicable	E, F, I		
agency/jurisdiction policies, contracts, standard operating			
procedures and agreements:			
 Federal, state, local, tribal, territorial and regional 			
relationships, as appropriate			
 Roles and responsibilities of potential responder 			
agencies			
 Scope, jurisdiction and authority of potential 			
responder agencies' contingency plans			

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TASK	CODE	EVALUATION RECORD #	EVALUATOR INITIALS AND DATE
 15. Supervise and hold personnel accountable for executing assigned tasks: Identify and promptly resolve disagreements, issues, and misunderstandings Prioritize work while considering immediate support for incident operations 	E, F, I		
 16. Ensure debriefings occur and participate as necessary: Ensure incident situation status information is current and complete 	E, F, I		

2c. Behavior: Ensure the health, safety, welfare, and accountability of assigned personnel

	TASK	CODE	EVALUATION RECORD#	EVALUATOR INITIALS AND DATE
17. Evaluate mental a personnel.	and physical fatigue of assigned	E, F, I		~
assigned personn mitigate risk:	cially hazardous situations, inform el of hazards and take precautions to ions in response to hazards, weather, vant events	E, F, I		
 health and safety Direct and over compliance with guidelines Coordinate with assigned persistence 	ersee section operations to ensure with health and safety considerations and ith the Safety Officer to ensure that connel follow safety guidelines	E, F, I		
unexpected occur illness, exposure (HAZMAT), acc or damage: • Ensure report magnitude, po (such as helic appropriate st • Ensure the pr Information (• Obtain inform regarding spe occurrences:	the procedures for reporting rences, such as fire, death, injury, to pathogens or hazardous materials ident, political contact, or property loss contains nature of event, location, ersonnel involved and initial action taken opter picking up injured, or an absequent action) otection of Personally Identifiable PII) while reporting nation from the following sources cial hazards, threats, or unexpected subordinates, personal observation, other onnel and off-incident personnel	E, F, I		

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2d. Behavior: Identify opportunities and meet requirements to provide equal access and reasonable accommodation in all activities

TASK	CODE	EVALUATION RECORD #	EVALUATOR INITIALS AND DATE
21. Demonstrate the ability to identify opportunities for universal accessibility.	E, F, I, J		
22. Demonstrate the ability to assess and monitor for physical access, programmatic access and effective communications access.	E, F, I, J		
23. Provide equal access, disability accommodations and access and functional needs (AFN) accommodations.	E, F, I, J		



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3. Competency: Conduct operations and ensure completion of assigned tasks

Description: Identify, analyze and apply relevant situational information and evaluate actions to complete assignments safely and meet identified objectives. Complete actions within established time frame.

3a. Behavior: Set the section priorities

TASK	CODE	EVALUATION RECORD #	EVALUATOR INITIALS AND DATE
24. Attend and participate in strategy meetings as necessary:	E, F, I		
 Assess organizational needs 			
 Identify additional resource needs 			
 Identify critical factors to ensure section success 			
 Prioritize incident and section objectives 			
25. Develop and validate incident strategy commensurate	E, F, I		
with available resources, incident objectives and safety			
considerations.			
26. Analyze tactical plans to ensure achievement of section	E, F, I		
objectives:			
 Involve resources such as aviation, maritime, rail and 			
other whole-community resources in activities, as			
necessary			

3b. Behavior: Develop and implement plans

TASK	CODE	EVALUATION RECORD#	EVALUATOR INITIALS AND DATE
 27. Participate in the planning process: Prepare for and participate in planning meetings Assist in the development of plans, as necessary: Long-range Strategic Contingency Demobilization 28. Paview, validate and modify plans: 	E, F, I		
 28. Review, validate and modify plans: Analyze alternate strategies and explain decisions Validate or revise section objectives Develop strategy and alternate strategy Decide on tactical direction Review information covering health and safety principles, known hazards and importance of all periods Validate organizational structure Validate resource assignments Review reserve resources Evaluate immediate support needs 	E, F, I		
 29. Approve completed plans: Ensure plans are complete, accurate, realistically attainable and relevant to the incident objectives 	E, F, I		

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3c. Behavior: Coordinate with all appropriate personnel and stakeholders

TASK	CODE	EVALUATION RECORD #	EVALUATOR INITIALS AND DATE
30. Establish effective relationships with stakeholders and partners in the impacted jurisdiction(s).	E, F, I		
31. Foster working relationships between Logistics Section and Finance/Administration Section.	E, F, I		
32. Provide financial summary information on current incident operations to host agency representative, Command and General Staff and Emergency Operations Center (EOC) staff.	E, F, I		

3d. Behavior: Apply agency policy, contracts, and agreements

TASK	CODE	EVALUATION RECORD #	EVALUATOR INITIALS AND DATE
33. Demonstrate knowledge of and apply relevant legal, regulatory and fiscal constraints.	E, F, I		
 34. Complete all work according to organization/agency direction, policy and incident objectives: Ensure that personnel complete all documentation requirements according to organization/agency direction, policy and incident objectives 	E, F, I		

3e. Behavior: Make appropriate decisions based on evaluation of gathered information, risks and incident situation and use information to produce outputs and modify approach

TASK	CODE	EVALUATION RECORD#	EVALUATOR INITIALS AND DATE
35. Ensure operations align with the established incident priorities of the impacted jurisdiction(s).	E, F, I		
 36. Adapt to expanding boundaries if incident escalates, while maintaining appropriate span of control: Allocate resources according to incident priorities Notify appropriate personnel through the chain of command (via designated official or by coordinating requests according to local ordering protocol) 	E, F, I		

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TASK	CODE	EVALUATION RECORD #	EVALUATOR INITIALS AND DATE
 37. Evaluate special conditions, existing or predicted, that require technical expertise, including: Hazards Reconnaissance Objectives Access/egress Values to be protected Evacuation/sheltering potential Communications Organizational structure Tactical coordination Weather and topography Responder fatigue Logistical considerations Jurisdictional responsibilities Span of control 	E, F, I		
38. Demonstrate ongoing awareness of environment, recognize changing incident complexity and take appropriate action.	E, F, I		

3f. Behavior: Ensure documentation is complete

TASK	CODE	EVALUATION RECORD #	EVALUATOR INITIALS AND DATE
39. Review documents for accuracy, timeliness and appropriate distribution.	E, F, I		
 40. Maintain personal records related to incident: Time sheet Rental records Accident forms Property records Receipts 	E, F, I		
 41. Maintain incident records for events, personnel, equipment, supplies and other data for incident management needs: Property loss/damage reports Agency-required incident reports Activity log Changes in strategy and tactics 	E, F, I		
 42. Receive and transmit current and accurate information: Claims and potential claims Injury information Work/rest guidelines Compensation issues Overtime policies and authorizations Procurement Costs Personnel and resource time accounting (burn rates) 	E, F, I		

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TASK	CODE	EVALUATION RECORD#	EVALUATOR INITIALS AND DATE
 43. Ensure that all personnel and equipment time records are complete and that staff submit required documentation to the Time Unit Leader or equipment time recorder at the end of each operational period: Pay documents Injury reports Procurement documents Property damage reports Claim documents Sign-in/sign-out sheets Time sheets 	E, F, I		
 44. Assemble components of final incident finance packages and transfer documentation to the responsible agency or person: Pay documents Injury reports Procurement documents Property damage reports Claim documents 	E, F, I		
45. Ensure the protection of PII.	E, F, I		

3g. Behavior: Oversee and support the actions of Finance / Administration Section units

TASK	CODE	EVALUATION RECORD #	EVALUATOR INITIALS AND DATE
46. Describe and follow relevant accounting rules and procurement protocols.	E, F, I		
47. Demonstrate finance system proficiency.	E, F, I		
48. Ensure that staff obtain and record all cost data.	E, F, I		
49. Review and analyze finance data personally to ensure that spending is within limits and meets contractual obligations.	E, F, I		
50. Ensure that a process is in place for checking and reporting injuries and claims.	E, F, I		
 51. Evaluate and share pertinent information that may affect incident support staff: Potential and existing problems, especially in areas of injury compensation, pay, claims and procurement 	E, F, I		
52. Track and monitor time and cost data submitted to the Time Unit Leader and the Logistics Section.	E, F, I		
53. Review contracts, MOUs and cooperative agreements to ascertain their impact and application.	E, F, I		

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4. Competency: Communicate effectively

Description: Use suitable communication techniques to share relevant information with appropriate personnel on a timely basis to accomplish objectives in a potentially rapidly changing environment.

4a. Behavior: Ensure the exchange of relevant information during briefings

	TASK	CODE	EVALUATION RECORD #	EVALUATOR INITIALS AND DATE
54.	 Prepare for and participate in briefings: Ensure briefings are accurate, timely and include appropriate personnel Brief external support organizations 	E, F, I		
	 Share and evaluate information Identify safety hazards and mitigation strategies with the Safety Officer Maintain quality updates for Public Information 			
55.	Officer (PIO) Lead briefings and debriefings.	E, F, I		
56.	Establish and maintain positive working relationships.	E, F, I		
57.	Communicate options, considerations and recommendations during briefings, including pertinent financial information that may affect the team's management of the incident: • Cost constraints • Cost-sharing agreements • Land-use agreements • Cost-benefit comparison matrices • Cost estimates and projections	E, F, I		

5. Competency: Prepare for demobilization/transfer

Description: Demobilize position and transfer position duties.

5a. Behavior: Transfer position duties while ensuring continuity

TASK	CODE	EVALUATION RECORD #	EVALUATOR INITIALS AND DATE
 58. Complete the process for demobilizing position responsibilities: Brief and provide complete and accurate records to relief personnel Discuss equipment release considerations Provide information to supervisor to assist with decisions on release priorities Coordinate with appropriate partners regarding demobilization procedures Brief personnel on demobilization responsibilities Ensure personnel demobilize in a timely and complete manner Emphasize safety and accountability during this phase 	C, E, F, I, J, T		
of operations 59. Coordinate an efficient transfer of position duties when deactivating or demobilizing resources: • Inform assigned personnel • Notify incoming personnel when and where transition of positions will occur • Conduct transition effectively • Document follow-up action and submit to agency representative	E, F, I		
 60. Complete all necessary reports and narratives following common standards before turnover: Activity log Shift change End of operational period Reassignment Deactivation/demobilization 61. Participate in transition or incident closeout: Conduct debriefings with agency administrator(s) as requested Close out incident as appropriate for the AHJ 	E, F, I E, F, I		

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5b. Behavior: Plan for demobilization and ensure staff follow demobilization process

TASK	CODE	EVALUATION RECORD#	EVALUATOR INITIALS AND DATE
 62. Participate in the development, approval and implementation of demobilization plan: Coordinate with appropriate partners regarding demobilization procedures 	E, F, I		
Coordinate needs and responsibilities			



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