

AREA 3 REGIONAL WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION AND  
HAZARDOUS MATERIALS RESPONSE TEAM, INCORPORATED  
TEAM NAME: TASK FORCE 3

STANDARD OPERATING GUIDELINES

TASK FORCE 3-SOG-R6

TEAM RESPONSE TO INCIDENT SCENES

PURPOSE

To establish TASK FORCE 3 response procedures to primary duty stations and incident scenes.

DIRECTION AND CONTROL

Authority

These guidelines have been developed and approved by the Board of Directors. The Administrator/Treasurer shall review these procedures as needed, but not less than annually, and submit any changes to the Board of Directors for approval.

Responsibility

The Administrator/Treasurer is primarily responsible for implementation of these procedures. Responsibility for implementation of these procedures shall fall to the Secretary should the primary not be available.

Maintenance

These procedures shall be effective upon approval of the Board of Directors and shall remain in effect until revised or rescinded.

CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS

TASK FORCE 3 members, upon receiving an alert, are expected to respond to their pre-assigned duty station where TASK FORCE 3 response vehicles are stationed for assemble into appropriate response groups.

Team Leaders are authorized, depending upon the location of the incident, to respond directly to the scene without first reporting to the duty station. Team Leader will report to the Incident Command at the incident scene to begin preliminary assessment of the situation in order to expedite development of necessary action plans for the TASK FORCE 3 upon arrival. The Team Leader or TASK FORCE 3 members at no time shall assume command at an incident scene. The Team Leader may take a leading role in the incident response however may only direct actions pertaining to the hazardous materials situation and not the overall incident.

Team Leader may delegate the authority for direct response to an incident scene to another qualified team member. In such case, the TASK FORCE 3 member must be trained to the technician level, minimum IS-200, and be thoroughly familiar with all A3/RWMD/HMRT general operating guidelines.

Immediately upon the arrival of a sufficient number of qualified personnel at the primary duty station, or the designated alternate site, will assemble response personnel into an appropriate response group consisting, unless deemed otherwise by the Team Leader, at minimum, of not fewer than four (4) qualified hazmat technicians (or

specialists), two (2) decontamination personnel, and an appropriate number of support personnel. Every effort will be made to car pool to the incident scene.

Once the minimum number of personnel is assembled, the team will be dispatched to the incident scene with the TASK FORCE 3 response vehicle. Late arriving or extra personnel are to respond to the staging area near the incident site, using car pooling so as to avoid overcrowding of the staging area, where they will await assignment by the Team Leader.

Upon arrival at the incident site, TASK FORCE 3 personnel will operate within the Incident Command structure and await instructions as to response operations to be carried out by the TASK FORCE 3 in stabilizing or controlling the incident.

## APPROVAL

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President, A3/RWMD/HMRT, Inc.

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Date

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