

	<h2 style="margin: 0;">Kitsap County Technical Rescue Team</h2> <p style="margin: 0;">Policies and Guidelines</p>	
Title: 3.4, Rescue Group Supervisor, v 1.2	Section/Topic: Position Descriptions	
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Purpose

To establish the position description and minimum training requirements for the position of Rescue Group Supervisor with the Kitsap County Technical Rescue Team (KCTRT).

Scope and Applicability

This policy is intended to apply to all personnel assigned to the KCTRT.

Position Description

The Rescue Group Supervisor is responsible for supervising and directing all technical rescue operations and KCTRT personnel in the mitigation of emergency incidents and related training. The Rescue Group Supervisor reports directly to the assigned Incident Commander or their designee. This policy is intended to be used in conjunction with WAC 296-305, NFPA 1670, and NFPA 1006. Generally the Rescue Group Supervisor will fill the role of “competent person”.

Rescue Group Supervisors shall be appointed by the KCTRT coordinator based on need and qualifications.

This policy is not intended to supersede individual department policy or guidelines, or to alleviate an individual agency’s right and responsibility as the Authority Having Jurisdiction.

Minimum Initial Requirements

Prior to consideration for appointment to the role of Rescue Group Supervisor, personnel shall meet the following requirements

- + Minimum initial requirements for Rescue Technician (3.1 and 3.2)
- + Rope Rescue Technician (Levels 1 & 2), consistent with NFPA 1006 & NFPA 1670
- + Confined Space Rescue Technician, consistent with NFPA 1006 & 1670
- + Trench Rescue Technician, consistent with NFPA 1006 & 1670
- + Rescue Systems 1
- + Rescue Systems 2
- + ICS-300: Intermediate ICS for Expanding Incidents
- + ICS-400: Advanced ICS
- + Incident Safety Officer
- + Washington State Fire Officer 1 or equivalent

Approval & Appointment Process

Rescue Group Supervisors shall be approved and appointed by the KSORT program manager, with the consent of the agency lead group. The process of approval shall consist of:

1. Member completes all minimum initial requirements and submits a letter of interest or request for appointment to their respective agency lead;
2. The member's agency lead will submit the individual's letter to the agency lead group, along with a recommendation to approve or deny appointment, based on the member's attendance, performance, and proficiency;
3. The agency lead group will consider the member's request and, in light of the member's performance and the agency lead's recommendation, will make a recommendation to approve or decline the request.
4. If the agency lead group recommends approval, the member will complete an evaluation period requiring the successful resolution of real or simulated responses to a rescue incident as well as the successful management of real or simulated training events,
5. Based on input from the agency lead group and the member's respective agency lead, as well as the completion of the evaluation period, the program manager will make a final decision to approve or decline the request.

Additional Requirements

Within 3 years of appointment, individuals designated as Rescue Group Supervisors shall meet the following minimum requirements:

- + TEEK Structural Collapse Technician 2/Structural Collapse Specialist, or equivalent
- + Online portion only, TEEK Canine Search Specialist
- + Online portion only, TEEK National US&R Response System Orientation
- + Online portion only, TEEK Task Force Leader
- + Online portion only, TEEK Enhanced Operations in the Contaminated Environment
- + Online portion only, TEEK Heavy Equipment and Rigging Specialist
- + Online portion only, TEEK Technical Search Specialist

Suggested Additional Training

- + Vehicle & Machinery Rescue Technician, consistent with NFPA 1006 & 1670
- + TEEK Advanced Structural Collapse 3
- + TEEK Advanced Structural Collapse 4
- + TEEK Advanced Structural Collapse 5
- + TEEK On Site Task Force Leader
- + DHS/FEMA or TEEK US&R Rescue Specialist Certification