

NATIONAL STRIKE FORCE SPECIALIZED RESPONSE EQUIPMENT

Each Strike Team is equipped to respond to most chemical and WMD incidents

GENERAL RESPONSE EQUIPMENT

- Mobile Incident Command Post
- Hazardous Substance Response Trailers
- Level A, B, and C protective suits
- Confined space entry and egress gear
- Decontamination suites
- Portable weather stations
- Drum handling equipment
- Chlorine Institute kits
- Generators (3.0 to 10.0 KW)
- GPS units
- Photo/Video equipment

CHEMICAL, BIOLOGICAL, & RADIOLOGICAL RESPONSE EQUIPMENT

- Field presumptive detection for biological agents
- Field presumptive detection: chemical warfare agents
- Radiation detection instruments for alpha, beta, neutron and gamma (include isotopic identification)

OIL SPILL RESPONSE EQUIPMENT

- Vessel of Opportunity Skimming System (VOSS)
- Inflatable 45-inch boom (6,000 ft)
- Temporary Storage Devices 26,000 gal. inflatable barges and 10,000 gal. dracones

DAMAGE CONTROL EQUIPMENT

- Oil/Water interface meter
- Plugging and patching equipment

VEHICLES/BOATS/COMMAND POSTS

- Tractor/trailer units
- All terrain vehicles
- Mobile Incident Command Posts
- 32' & 24' Munson boats
- 15' Inflatable boats
- 18' John boats

Monitoring/Detecting Equipment

- Organic vapors detection instruments
- Multi-gas meters for toxic and explosive atmospheres APD 2000
- Networked remote atmospheric monitors
- Aerosol particulate meters
- Hazard categorization kits
- Multi-media (air, soil, water) sampling gear
- Hand-Held Assays (Bio)(DoD Item)
- PhD Ultra (or MultiRae)
- CDS Drager Combo-Sets
- Anthrax Kit
- WMD HazCat Kit
- WMD Sampling Kit
- SKC pumps (or Personal DataRams)
- 256 Kit (DoD)
- M-8 / M-9 paper (DoD)
- Radiation Pagers (AN-UDR-13B)
- Gamma/Neutron
- Thermo IdentIFINDER U (isotope identifier)
- TVA-1000
- Drager CMS
- AreaRaes
- HazCat Kit
- Ludlum 12/19 w/ pancake probe
- All necessary calibration equipment

LIGHTERING AND PUMPING EQUIPMENT

- Submersible, high-capacity oil, chemical and water pumps
- Diaphragm and peristaltic small/medium capacity oil, chemical and water pumps
- Hydraulic prime movers & support equipment
- Viscous Oil Pumping System (VOPS)

NSF Contacts & AOR's



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NATIONAL STRIKE FORCE

**Phone Numbers
Addresses
Areas of Responsibility
Response Capabilities
Resources Available**

The National Strike Force (NSF) is a vital national asset comprised of a unique, highly trained cadre of Coast Guard professionals who maintain and rapidly deploy with specialized equipment and incident management skills. The NSF is recognized worldwide as experts in preparedness and response to mitigate the effects of weapons of mass destruction events, hazardous substance releases, oil discharges and other emergencies on behalf of the American public. Our mandate is to assist and support Lead Agency/Incident Commanders and Federal On-Scene Coordinators in their response and preparedness activities for both crisis and consequence management. In this way, the NSF supports the National Response System and Homeland Security by minimizing the adverse impact to the public and reducing environmental damage from weapons of mass destruction events, hazardous substance releases and oil discharges.

NSF WEBSITE: WWW.USCG.MIL/HQ/NSFWEB/

POCKET GUIDE

NSF Capabilities & Support

GENERAL RESPONSE SERVICES

Site Safety

Site assessment and characterization
Site Safety Plan development and enforcement
Safety protocol development and implementation
Supervise/monitor contractors

Hazard identification (secondary and primary: physical, chemical, environmental, radiological)
Air monitoring for primary & secondary hazards
Multi-media sampling (air, water, soil)
Weather monitoring

Emergency Medical Technician Support/medical monitoring/medical countermeasures for responders
Secondary device awareness

Isolate contaminated areas & support efforts to deny entry to unauthorized personnel

Hazard mitigation/source control

Level A, B, & C capabilities (full hazmat team capable)
Entry, Backup and Decon (for responder and responder equipment)
Pre-stage equipment for threats of release
Salvage contractor monitoring
Safe salvage & transfer operations practices
Vessel damage assessment and salvage and consultation
Damage control assessment/assistance (Railcars, containers, IMO tanks, tank trucks)
Plugging/patching w/government owned/contracted (equipment and/or monitor contractors)
Lightering/pumping w/government-owned/contracted equipment or monitor contractors
Waste characterization and disposal advice and coordination

Incident Command System Support

Provide/support mobile command post for communications and response management operations
CO to serve as Incident Specific FOSC
Serve as FOSC representative
Incident Command/response management support
Logistical support, management, and coordination
Evidence collection support
Resource/cost documentation
Modeling/trajectory - provide and use for decision making

NSF RESPONSE POLICY

All Strike Teams stand ready to deploy: 2 members immediately, 4 members within 2 hours,
12 members and equipment within 6 hours

Strike Team equipment is palletized, loaded, and ready for immediate deployment by truck or aircraft.

REQUESTING STRIKE TEAM ASSISTANCE

Contact the Strike Team in your area, ask for the Response Officer, Operations Officer or Command Duty Officer

Atlantic Strike Team: (609) 724-0008 Gulf Strike Team: (251) 441-6601 Pacific Strike Team: (415) 883-3311

For PIAT support contact NSFCC: (252) 331-6000

Assistance may also be requested through the National Response Center at (800) 424-8802

BIOLOGICAL RESPONSE SERVICES

Personal Protective Equipment to safely assess, mitigate, control, and remove hazards
Site assessment and characterization
Multi-media sampling (air, water, soil) for laboratory analysis and conduct presumptive on-site field testing for initial response actions

CHEMICAL RESPONSE SERVICES

Personal Protective Equipment to safely assess, mitigate, control, and remove hazards
Containment
Vessel Damage Assessment and salvage consultation
Knowledge of alternative response technologies and procedures
Remote Sensing (handheld IR)

OIL SPILL RESPONSE SERVICES

Dispersant use oversight/effectiveness monitoring (SMART)
In-situ burn use oversight/effectiveness monitoring (SMART)
Dewatering/de-ballasting w/government owned and contracted equipment
Containment (open-water, near coastal, riverine, shoreline, tidal zone)
Temporary storage of recovered oil/oiled wastes
Knowledge of alternative response technologies and NCP approved products, and procedures
Remote sensing (e.g. infrared camera)
Shoreline assessment with response and recovery recommendations
Skimming operations w/government owned and contracted equipment
Offshore containment w/government owned and contracted equipment

PUBLIC AFFAIRS SUPPORT

Public Information Assist Team (PIAT): Four-person mobile crisis communications team offering:

Crisis media relations

Risk Communication based message development
Public affairs policy guidance
Speaker preparation
Media coverage analysis
Liaison with media and federal, state, local officials

Community relations

Open house/town hall meeting support
Stakeholder identification
Pamphlets (design, production, distribution)

Joint Information Center (JIC) setup and support

Qualified ICS Information Officers
JIC staffing

Photo and video documentation

RADIOLOGICAL RESPONSE SERVICES

Detection of alpha, beta, gamma and neutron radiation
Specific substance/nuclide identification via direct survey instruments, reach-back capabilities with appropriate resources
Direct personnel monitoring, real-time dosimetry
Dose rate monitoring
Support to lead agencies for radiological monitoring
Personal Protective Equipment to safely assess hazard, ID safe zones
Site assessment from safe zone location or within TDS parameters
Site Safety Plan development and enforcement with DOE or health physicists
Response action management including time, distance, shielding protocols