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## FEMA Releases Mass Care Resource Typing Definitions

Today, FEMA releases, for final publication and distribution, five Mass Care resource typing definitions. The guidance contained in these definitions provides a standardized set of minimum criteria for use by the whole community when building, sustaining and inventorying resources; and when planning to deliver or delivering core capabilities through a national mutual aid network to achieve the National Preparedness Goal of a secure and resilient nation. The Mass Care resource typing definitions are:

1. State Mass Care Coordinator
2. Shelter Management Team
3. Shelter Manager
4. Field Kitchen Unit
5. Field Kitchen Manager

FEMA developed these resource typing definitions in collaboration with emergency management and public safety practitioners. These stakeholders suggested guidance for specific overall functions, components, capabilities, and ordering specifications for these resources.

This guidance addresses standardized criteria for requests that are made under a variety of mutual aid scenarios from automatic aid to mutual aid provided through the Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) during declared disasters and other levels of mutual aid.

This guidance aligns with the National Incident Management System (NIMS) to provide a common and standard understanding about the tools and resources needed to sustain, build, and deliver the core capabilities necessary to achieve the National Preparedness Goal. For more information on the NIMS and its implementation, visit [FEMA's NIMS website](#).

Resource typing definitions and job title/position qualifications can be accessed using the Resource Typing Library Tool (RTLTL). The RTLTL is an online catalogue of NIMS resource typing definitions and job titles/position qualifications. The RTLTL is publically accessible here: <http://www.fema.gov/resource-management>.

Questions can be submitted to the National Integration Center through e-mail at: [FEMA-NIMS@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-NIMS@fema.dhs.gov).

This effort is part of the National Preparedness System and continues the implementation of the National Incident Management System (NIMS), a process that organizes the tools and resources needed promote unity of effort and achieve the National Preparedness Goal. For more information on national preparedness efforts, visit [FEMA's National Preparedness website](#).