



Task Force 80

February 13, 2023

To Whom It May Concern,

As many of you are aware, over the last 10 years Task Force 80 has been slowly dwindling into a dormant state. There are many factors contributing to its inactivity, most of which is the lack of volunteers and funding. Many are aware of the challenges we are faced with each and every day, especially with manpower issues and the call volume we are all facing. Task force 80 has been placed on the back burner for the last few years and now more than ever, we believe it can be a vital tool for the area when responding to all technical rescues.

Task Force 80 was developed to respond to rescue calls that maybe required more specialized training for calls that we didn't see every day. The members went for extensive training that required dedication and time spent away from family and was extremely time consuming. There were members with thousands of hours of training and the team was prepared to handle anything that was thrown at them. Some of the individuals that founded Task Force 80 are some of the most highly qualified individuals to come from our area. As time has passed, the most experienced members have since passed, retired or moved away. There are a few still around that have the training but, updates have been made and requirements have changed making it difficult to know exactly who qualifies as a technician or operations level responder.

Today we still see the need for the services that have been provided but have come up with a better plan for implementing services and not burden the Task Force members with so much training. The idea we have proposed is rather being trained in all disciplines, we train for one or two disciplines per member. After much discussion and some deep research, we have found that majority of the classes the founding members took are either nearly impossible to find or they don't even exist anymore. The idea of breaking up the disciplines saves a tremendous of time in training and it isn't so demanding on individuals. We have some very talented people in our area and some of the feedback we have received over the years was the time away from family to get the training was nearly impossible. The idea of breaking up the disciplines shortens the time away from home and we are hopeful we can do a lot of this training locally.



The **6 disciplines** we are going to focus on are as follows:

- **Water Rescue**
- **Trench Rescue**
- **Confined Space Rescue**
- **Rope Rescue**
- **Light Structural Collapse**
- **Medical Specialist**

As the team develops, we can always add or remove disciplines as we see fit.

The 6 disciplines will then be managed by 6 Captains, one for each discipline. Under each discipline there will be 3 categories: Awareness, Operations and Technician. The categories are what each member will fall into in reference to their respective training and qualifications. There is a description on the back page.

Beginning in March, we will be sending out applications for membership. On the application there are boxes to check for each discipline. Please check the box or boxes you are interested in and submit them to us as soon as possible. We are asking everyone to pick one or two disciplines, this does not mean you would be “stuck” in those disciplines, it will just give us the opportunity to see who is interested in what area and where our strongest areas are as well as our weakest. If you want to apply for a Captains position, please include all of your certifications with the application. Also note that if you don’t meet all of the qualifications and want to apply, please do so and in the event, you are selected, we will do our best to get you the training you need.

Lastly, we are developing a team that will be robust and have the ability to handle many situations in unfavorable conditions. The purpose of the Task Force is to handle the incidents that are low frequency, high risk. That being said, the safety of the members is and must always be paramount. We intend to train, with training comes confidence and with confidence anything can be achieved. We believe that with the right training, the right people and a great team, we can offer the region something better than what we have had in years past. The end goal is to provide a service to the region, have a team in place that is self-sufficient and can be relied on for years to come!



Task Force 80

Membership Application

Organization Information

Check the box of which you are a member:

Fire/Rescue Department

EMS Agency

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Supervisor's Name: _____

Supervisor's Phone: _____

Workers' Compensation Information

Task Force 80 is based on a volunteer system. It is the responsibility of the prospective member(s) home department to provide Workers' Compensation coverage.

Please list who, which Municipality or Organization is providing Worker's Compensation Insurance:

Name of Insurance: _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone: _____

Individual Membership Information

Name: _____ DOB: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____



Emergency Notification

Person to notify name: _____

Relationship to you: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Please check which discipline(s) you are interested in:

- Captain
 Water Rescue
 Trench Rescue
 Confined Space Rescue
 Structural Collapse Rescue
 Rope Rescue
 Medical Rescue

If you would like to be a Captain, what discipline? _____

Number of years in Emergency Services: _____

Attachments:

- ✓ Please provide a detailed list of dates and copies of **ALL** certifications, *(including EMS)* training you have taken. Please include copies of your current EMT and First Aid/CPR certifications.
- ✓ Please provide a brief explanation of why you feel you are qualified to be a member of Task Force 80.
- ✓ Please provide a copy of your current Drivers License or photo ID.
- ✓ Please provide a copy of the following Clearance Checks:
 - ❖ **Act 34 Pennsylvania Criminal Record Check** - *If you have questions about the Pennsylvania State Police Request form for Criminal Record Checks form (SP4 164), please call: 1-888-783-7972. Additional information can be found at: <https://epatch.state.pa.us>.*
 - ❖ **Act 151 Child Abuse Clearance** - *If you have any questions about the Pennsylvania Child Abuse History Clearance, please contact the ChildLine Verification Unit at 1-877-371-5422. Additional information can be found at https://www.compass.state.pa.us/CWIS_Background_Clearance_Policy*
 - ❖ **Act 114 FBI Criminal Background Check** - *Additional information can be found at: <https://uenroll.identogo.com> **** Waivers for this clearance check are attached*****



By signing below, the prospective Task Force 80 member and the member's Fire Chief, Manager, Director, or other individual having the authority to sign, acknowledge receipt of the copies of the Task Force's Organizational and Administrative Guidelines and Position Descriptions.

I hereby authorize _____ to respond, to train for, and assist with
Member name
Technical Resources as a representative of _____.
Organizations name

Applicants Signature

Date

Authorizing Signature

Date

Printed Name of Authorizing Signature

Please return all completed applications to:

Williamsport Bureau of Fire
440 Walnut Street
Williamsport, PA 17701
Attn: Task Force 80

or

Email: Rsmith@cityofwilliamsport.org



VOLUNTEER AFFIDAVIT

(Submitted in Lieu of Fingerprint-based FBI Clearance pursuant to 23 Pa.C.S.A. §6344.2(b.1))

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Volunteer Position(s) Applied For: _____

I, _____ (*Name*) hereby attest that all information provided below is correct and current. I understand that if this any false statements can and will be punishable by law.

1. I hereby attest and understand that the volunteer position for which I am applying is an unpaid position.

2. I hereby attest that I have been a resident of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania during the entirety of the previous ten-year period, i.e., from _____ [date ten years prior to current date], to the current date of this application.

3. I hereby swear and affirm that I have not been convicted of any of the following offenses under Title 18 (relating to crimes and offenses), or any offense similar in nature to the crimes listed below, under the laws or former laws of the United States or one of its territories or possessions, another state, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico or a foreign nation, or under a former law of this Commonwealth.

- Chapter 25 (relating to criminal homicide).
- Section 2702 (relating to aggravated assault).
- Section 2709.1 (relating to stalking).
- Section 2901 (relating to kidnapping).
- Section 2902 (relating to unlawful restraint).
- Section 3121 (relating to rape).
- Section 3122.1 (relating to statutory sexual assault).
- Section 3123 (relating to involuntary deviate sexual intercourse).
- Section 3124.1 (relating to sexual assault).
- Section 3125 (relating to aggravated indecent assault).
- Section 3126 (relating to indecent assault).
- Section 3127 (relating to indecent exposure).
- Section 4302 (relating to incest).
- Section 4303 (relating to concealing death of child).
- Section 4304 (relating to endangering welfare of children).
- Section 4305 (relating to dealing in infant children).
- A felony offense under section 5902(b) (relating to prostitution and related offenses).
- Section 5903(c) or (d) (relating to obscene and other sexual materials and performances).
- Section 6301 (relating to corruption of minors).
- Section 6312 (relating to sexual abuse of children).



- The attempt, solicitation or conspiracy to commit any of the offenses set forth in this list.
- A felony offense under the act of April 14, 1972 (P.L. 233, No. 64) known as The Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act, committed within the five-year period immediately preceding verification under this section.

I hereby verify and affirm that I understand that a conviction for any of the offenses outlined above or any similar offense under federal or other state law or former law disqualifies me from approval for service as an unpaid volunteer. I further understand and agree that I have an obligation to submit written notice to the Superintendent or other designated administrator disclosing any future arrest or conviction for any such offenses, and/or any notification that I have been listed as a perpetrator in a founded or indicated report, within 72 hours, of the occurrence of such arrest, conviction, or notification of listing as a perpetrator.

I hereby verify that all statements in the within Affidavit are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. I understand that my statements are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa. C.S. § 4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities, which provides that if I knowingly make false averments, can and will subject me to criminal penalties.

Signed by: _____ Date: _____

Attest/Witness: _____ Date: _____



Task Force 80

Role Descriptions

Awareness Level: Must have completed the awareness level program of the discipline TF 80 is responding to.

People in this category play a vital role in any operation and may be new to technical rescue. Some of the duties will be setting up and using a cutting station, hauling material, gathering tools, supporting all functions of the mission. This position will be a stepping stone to the operations level.

Operations Level: Must have completed the operations level program of the discipline TF 80 is responding to.

This category is for those with adequate training and are the ones performing the rescue. Setting up a haul system, shoring a trench, entering a confined space, being lowered to a pt, performing a water rescue are some of the examples of an operation level responder.

Technician Level: Must have completed the technician level program of the discipline TF 80 is responding to.

This category is for those with extensive training and will be part of the rescue along with overseeing the rescue. These people are the subject matter experts with the most experience.

All positions require training, some more than others. It is vital that all team members have some mechanical ability and an understanding of the respective discipline. Some members will be utilized for multiple disciplines, others will be utilized in 1 or 2 disciplines. The goal is to have a sound and robust team from the area to handle any situation that we are dispatched to.



Task Force 80/PA Company 6

Job Description

Medical Specialist Captain

FLSA status: Nonexempt

Reports to: Medical Director

General Summary:

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Additionally, the purpose is to be a visionary body planning to meet the current and future needs for special operations and provide a united voice for acquisition of funding.

Education:

1. High school diploma
2. Haz-Mat R&I
3. Haz-Mat Operations
4. Pennsylvania Certified or Nationally Registered Paramedic
5. BCLS
6. ACLS
7. PALS or NRP
8. ISC-100,200,300,700, &800
9. HIPPA Compliance course
10. ALS and BLS Protocol updates
11. Blood Borne Pathogen training
12. TECC/TCCC
13. PHTLS
14. 80 Hour Rescue Medical Practitioner
15. Emergency Medical Operations at CBRNE
16. Completion of JPRs to the Operational Level



Preferred certifications include: Basic Vehicle Rescue, Basic Rescue Practices, Forcible Entry Operations or Truck Company 1, Incident Command, and Essentials of Firefighting or its equivalent.

Work Experience:

10 years minimum of Pre-hospital Care as Paramedic or comparable educational experience required.

Special Employment Requirements:

1. Ability to communicate with others and the public. Must be able to function as an effective team leader.
2. Obtain an FBI, Child abuse and PSP back ground check upon employment and every three years thereafter.

Machines, Tools, Equipment:

1. Must have knowledge of all the tools and equipment as described in the current EMS Act within the paramedic scope of practice.
2. Must have knowledge of Basic and Advanced rescue and firefighting tools as used in BVR and BRP
3. Must have knowledge of Basic and Advanced rescue and firefighting tools as used in High Angle, Trench, Confined Space, Collapse and Water Rescue.

Primary Tasks:

1. Direct medical care to patients entrapped in various hazardous scenarios.
2. Direct medical care to providers during operation
3. Acquire and maintain important history, immunization status, and current health status on each team member.
4. Monitor training and call-outs to detect and prevent injuries and illnesses to heat or cold extremes, food poisoning, environmental injuries, etc.
5. Prepare a medical pre-plan to aid in mission planning when feasible
6. Serve as a liaison to local emergency medical service officials, local hospitals, officials for public safety agencies, and other personnel
7. Provide remote medical condition assessment of victims injured in exposed positions
8. Interface with existing advanced life support and basic life support emergency medical service providers to help obtain secure and timely transportation for the injured or ill, via improved communications with ground and/or air medical emergency medical service Transport Agencies; however, this Team will be a non-transport agency and will rely upon existing emergency medical service system for transportation of patients
9. Be present at debriefing sessions and provide an analysis of the mission from the perspective of the medical specialist, providing suggestions for improvement regarding the event to the team



Other Tasks:

- Coordinate joint training with other disciplines.
- Coordinate and be the liaison to the Medical Director.
- Insure readiness of staff and equipment.

Physical Demands:

This job requires individuals to have a full range of body motion including the ability to handle and lift patients and equipment. Physical demands include removal of patients from potentially high-risk environments, lifting or dragging the patient to concealment or cover, and lifting the patient for evacuation from a hostile environment. A Paramedic must have the ability to independently lift objects up to 100 pounds. In addition, he/she must be able to lift patients of 300 pounds or greater with additional help.

Must be able to kneel down on knees for extended periods of time in order to perform patient care in rough terrain.

Must be free of visual or hearing deficits that would prohibit performance of all skills outlined in the Pennsylvania Paramedic scope of practice.

Accident and Health Hazards:

Job requires exposure to blood and body fluids, occasional contact with chemicals, and frequent handling of needles and other sharp objects. The Candidate will be operating in a high-risk Rescue environment providing care at the point of entrapment.

Working Conditions:

Primarily working in a dirty environment and will be exposed to weather extremes. The candidate will be exposed to potentially hazardous environments and situations on a daily basis. Job often requires working at odd hours and under poor lighting conditions. Schedule changes may be necessary to ensure continuity of patient care.

General sign-off: The employee is expected to adhere to all company policies and to act as a role model in the adherence to policies.

I have read and understand this explanation and job description.

Signature: _____ Date: _____



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Job Description

Structural Collapse Rescue Captain

FLSA status: Nonexempt

Reports to: Task Force 80 Administration

General Summary:

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Education:

1. High school diploma
2. Haz-Mat R&I
3. Haz-Mat Operations
4. Pennsylvania Certified or Nationally Registered EMT
5. Structural Collapse I &II
6. Confined Space Awareness
7. Confined Space Operations
8. Rope I & II
9. Advanced Line Systems
10. ISC-100,200,300,700, &800
11. Blood Borne Pathogen training
12. Instructor I
13. Fire Officer I
16. Completion of JPRs to the Operational Level

Preferred certifications include: Basic Vehicle Rescue, Basic Rescue Practices, Forcible Entry Operations or Truck Company 1, Incident Command, and Essentials of Firefighting or its equivalent.



Work Experience:

10 years minimum of field experience and a supervisory role or comparable educational experience required. Familiarity with building construction, carpentry and masonry work is preferred.

Special Employment Requirements:

1. Ability to communicate with others and the public. Must be able to function as an effective team leader.
2. Obtain an FBI, Child abuse and PSP back ground check upon employment and every three years thereafter.

Machines, Tools, Equipment:

1. Must have knowledge of Basic and Advanced rescue and firefighting tools as used in BVR and BRP.
2. Must have knowledge of Basic and Advanced rescue and firefighting tools as used in High Angle, Trench, Confined Space, Collapse and Water Rescue
3. Must have knowledge of machinery capable of assisting in rescue or recovery i.e., Cranes, forklifts, boom lifts, wreckers, etc.

Primary Tasks:

1. Direct involvement in Structural Collapse Rescue and other various hazardous scenarios.
2. Implementing and abiding all safety precautions for team safety and training.
3. Direct oversight of all Collapse Rescue operations and training.
4. Maintaining equipment, tools and apparatus relating to Structural Collapse Rescue.
5. Prepare a pre-plan to aid in mission planning when feasible
6. Serve as a liaison to local emergency medical service officials, local hospitals, officials for public safety agencies, and other personnel.
7. Interface with existing emergency medical service providers to help obtain secure and timely transportation for the injured or ill, via improved communications with ground and/or air medical emergency medical service Transport Agencies; however, this Team will be a non-transport agency and will rely upon existing emergency medical service system for transportation of patients
8. Be present at debriefing sessions and provide an analysis of the mission from the perspective of the water rescue specialist, providing suggestions for improvement regarding the event to the team

Other Tasks:

- Coordinate joint training with other disciplines.
- Insure readiness of staff and equipment.



Physical Demands:

This job requires individuals to have a full range of body motion including the ability to handle and lift patients and equipment. Physical demands include removal of patients from potentially high-risk environments, lifting or dragging the patient to concealment or cover, and lifting the patient for evacuation from a hostile environment. Must have the ability to independently lift objects up to 100 pounds. In addition, he/she must be able to lift patients of 300 pounds or greater with additional help.

Must be able to kneel down on knees for extended periods of time in order to perform patient care in rough terrain.

Must be free of visual or hearing deficits that would prohibit performance in their scope of practice.

Accident and Health Hazards:

Job requires exposure to blood and body fluids, occasional contact with chemicals, and performing duties in confined areas. The Candidate will be operating in a high-risk Rescue environment providing care at the point of entrapment.

Working Conditions:

Primarily working in a dirty environment and will be exposed to weather extremes. The candidate will be exposed to potentially hazardous environments and situations on a daily basis. Job often requires working at odd hours and under poor lighting conditions. Schedule changes may be necessary to ensure continuity of patient care.

General sign-off: The employee is expected to adhere to all company policies and to act as a role model in the adherence to policies.

I have read and understand this explanation and job description.

Signature: _____ Date: _____



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Job Description

Confined Space Rescue Captain

FLSA status: Nonexempt

Reports to: Task Force 80 Administration

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Education:

1. High school diploma
2. Haz-Mat R&I
3. Haz-Mat Operations
4. Pennsylvania Certified or Nationally Registered EMT
5. Confined Space Awareness
6. Confined Space Operations
7. Trench I
8. Rope I & II
9. Advanced Line Systems
10. ISC-100,200,300,700, &800
11. Blood Borne Pathogen training
12. Instructor I
13. Fire Officer I
16. Completion of JPRs to the Operational Level

Preferred certifications include: Basic Vehicle Rescue, Basic Rescue Practices, Forcible Entry Operations or Truck Company 1, Incident Command, and Essentials of Firefighting or its equivalent.



Work Experience:

10 years minimum of field experience and a supervisory role or comparable educational experience required.

Special Employment Requirements:

1. Ability to communicate with others and the public. Must be able to function as an effective team leader.
2. Obtain an FBI, Child abuse and PSP back ground check upon employment and every three years thereafter.

Machines, Tools, Equipment:

1. Must have knowledge of Basic and Advanced rescue and firefighting tools as used in BVR and BRP.
2. Must have knowledge of Basic and Advanced rescue and firefighting tools as used in High Angle, Trench, Confined Space, Collapse and Water Rescue.

Primary Tasks:

1. Direct involvement in Confined Space Rescue and other various hazardous scenarios.
2. Implementing and abiding all safety precautions for team safety and training.
3. Direct oversight of all Confined Space Rescue operations and training.
4. Maintaining equipment, tools and apparatus relating to Confined Space Rescue.
5. Prepare a pre-plan to aid in mission planning when feasible
6. Serve as a liaison to local emergency medical service officials, local hospitals, officials for public safety agencies, and other personnel
7. Interface with existing emergency medical service providers to help obtain secure and timely transportation for the injured or ill, via improved communications with ground and/or air medical emergency medical service Transport Agencies; however, this Team will be a non-transport agency and will rely upon existing emergency medical service system for transportation of patients
8. Be present at debriefing sessions and provide an analysis of the mission from the perspective of the water rescue specialist, providing suggestions for improvement regarding the event to the team

Other Tasks:

- Coordinate joint training with other disciplines.
- Insure readiness of staff and equipment.



Physical Demands:

This job requires individuals to have a full range of body motion including the ability to handle and lift patients and equipment. Physical demands include removal of patients from potentially high-risk environments, lifting or dragging the patient to concealment or cover, and lifting the patient for evacuation from a hostile environment. Must have the ability to independently lift objects up to 100 pounds. In addition, he/she must be able to lift patients of 300 pounds or greater with additional help.

Must be able to kneel down on knees for extended periods of time in order to perform patient care in rough terrain.

Must be free of visual or hearing deficits that would prohibit performance in their scope of practice.

Accident and Health Hazards:

Job requires exposure to blood and body fluids, occasional contact with chemicals, and performing duties in confined areas. The Candidate will be operating in a high-risk Rescue environment providing care at the point of entrapment.

Working Conditions:

Primarily working in a dirty environment and will be exposed to weather extremes. The candidate will be exposed to potentially hazardous environments and situations on a daily basis. Job often requires working at odd hours and under poor lighting conditions. Schedule changes may be necessary to ensure continuity of patient care.

General sign-off: The employee is expected to adhere to all company policies and to act as a role model in the adherence to policies.

I have read and understand this explanation and job description.

Signature: _____ Date: _____



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Job Description **Trench Rescue Captain**

FLSA status: Nonexempt

Reports to: Task Force 80 Administration

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Education:

1. High school diploma
2. Haz-Mat R&I
3. Haz-Mat Operations
4. Pennsylvania Certified or Nationally Registered EMT
5. Trench I &II
6. Confined Space Awareness
7. Confined Space Operations
8. Rope I & II
9. Advanced Line Systems
10. ISC-100,200,300,700, &800
11. Blood Borne Pathogen training
12. Instructor I
13. Fire Officer I
16. Completion of JPRs to the Operational Level

Preferred certifications include: Basic Vehicle Rescue, Basic Rescue Practices, Forcible Entry Operations or Truck Company 1, Incident Command, and Essentials of Firefighting or its equivalent.



Work Experience:

10 years minimum of field experience and a supervisory role or comparable educational experience required. Familiarity with excavation practices and procedures is preferred.

Special Employment Requirements:

1. Ability to communicate with others and the public. Must be able to function as an effective team leader.
2. Obtain an FBI, Child abuse and PSP back ground check upon employment and every three years thereafter.

Machines, Tools, Equipment:

1. Must have knowledge of Basic and Advanced rescue and firefighting tools as used in BVR and BRP.
2. Must have knowledge of Basic and Advanced rescue and firefighting tools as used in High Angle, Trench, Confined Space, Collapse and Water Rescue
3. Must have knowledge of machinery capable of assisting in rescue or recovery i.e., Vac Truck, Excavator, air knife etc.

Primary Tasks:

1. Direct involvement in Trench Rescue and other various hazardous scenarios.
2. Implementing and abiding all safety precautions for team safety and training.
3. Direct oversight of all Trench Rescue operations and training.
4. Maintaining equipment, tools and apparatus relating to Trench Rescue.
5. Prepare a pre-plan to aid in mission planning when feasible
6. Serve as a liaison to local emergency medical service officials, local hospitals, officials for public safety agencies, and other personnel.
7. Interface with existing emergency medical service providers to help obtain secure and timely transportation for the injured or ill, via improved communications with ground and/or air medical emergency medical service Transport Agencies; however, this Team will be a non-transport agency and will rely upon existing emergency medical service system for transportation of patients
8. Be present at debriefing sessions and provide an analysis of the mission from the perspective of the water rescue specialist, providing suggestions for improvement regarding the event to the team

Other Tasks:

- Coordinate joint training with other disciplines.
- Insure readiness of staff and equipment.



Physical Demands:

This job requires individuals to have a full range of body motion including the ability to handle and lift patients and equipment. Physical demands include removal of patients from potentially high-risk environments, lifting or dragging the patient to concealment or cover, and lifting the patient for evacuation from a hostile environment. Must have the ability to independently lift objects up to 100 pounds. In addition, he/she must be able to lift patients of 300 pounds or greater with additional help.

Must be able to kneel down on knees for extended periods of time in order to perform patient care in rough terrain.

Must be free of visual or hearing deficits that would prohibit performance in their scope of practice.

Accident and Health Hazards:

Job requires exposure to blood and body fluids, occasional contact with chemicals, and performing duties in confined areas. The Candidate will be operating in a high-risk Rescue environment providing care at the point of entrapment.

Working Conditions:

Primarily working in a dirty environment and will be exposed to weather extremes. The candidate will be exposed to potentially hazardous environments and situations on a daily basis. Job often requires working at odd hours and under poor lighting conditions. Schedule changes may be necessary to ensure continuity of patient care.

General sign-off: The employee is expected to adhere to all company policies and to act as a role model in the adherence to policies.

I have read and understand this explanation and job description.

Signature: _____ Date: _____



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Job Description

Rope Rescue Captain

FLSA status: Nonexempt

Reports to: Task Force 80 Administration

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Education:

1. High school diploma
2. Haz-Mat R&I
3. Haz-Mat Operations
4. Pennsylvania Certified or Nationally Registered EMT
5. Rope I, II and III
6. Basic Rope and Rigging
7. ISC-100,200,300,700, &800
8. Blood Borne Pathogen training
9. Instructor I
10. Fire Officer I
11. Completion of JPRs to the Operational Level

Preferred certifications include: Basic Vehicle Rescue, Basic Rescue Practices, Forcible Entry Operations or Truck Company 1, Incident Command, and Essentials of Firefighting or its equivalent.



Work Experience:

10 years minimum of field experience and a supervisory role or comparable educational experience required.

Special Employment Requirements:

1. Ability to communicate with others and the public. Must be able to function as an effective team leader.
2. Obtain an FBI, Child abuse and PSP back ground check upon employment and every three years thereafter.

Machines, Tools, Equipment:

1. Must have knowledge of Basic and Advanced rescue and firefighting tools as used in BVR and BRP.
2. Must have knowledge of Basic and Advanced rescue and firefighting tools as used in High Angle, Trench, Confined Space, Collapse and Water Rescue.

Primary Tasks:

1. Direct involvement and oversight of rope rescue and other various hazardous scenarios.
2. Implementing and abiding all safety precautions for team safety and training.
3. Direct oversight of all Rope rescue operations and training.
4. Maintaining equipment, tools and apparatus relating to Rope Rescue.
5. Prepare a pre-plan to aid in mission planning when feasible
6. Serve as a liaison to local emergency medical service officials, local hospitals, officials for public safety agencies, and other personnel
7. Interface with existing emergency medical service providers to help obtain secure and timely transportation for the injured or ill, via improved communications with ground and/or air medical emergency medical service Transport Agencies; however, this Team will be a non-transport agency and will rely upon existing emergency medical service system for transportation of patients
8. Be present at debriefing sessions and provide an analysis of the mission from the perspective of the water rescue specialist, providing suggestions for improvement regarding the event to the team

Other Tasks:

- Coordinate joint training with other disciplines.
- Insure readiness of staff and equipment.

Physical Demands:

This job requires individuals to have a full range of body motion including the ability to handle and lift patients and equipment. Physical demands include removal of patients from potentially high-risk environments, lifting or moving the patient to concealment or cover, and lifting the patient for



evacuation from a hostile environment. Must have the ability to independently lift objects up to 100 pounds. In addition, he/she must be able to lift patients of 300 pounds or greater with additional help.

Must be able to kneel down on knees for extended periods of time in order to perform patient care in rough terrain.

Must be free of visual or hearing deficits that would prohibit performance in their scope of practice.

Must be capable of working at various heights and sub-grade.

Must be able to perform for long periods of time without assistance in adverse conditions.

Accident and Health Hazards:

Job has the possibility of exposure to blood and body fluids. The Candidate has potential to be operating in a high-risk, high stress situation. The candidate should be able to perform with minimal assistance and the utmost focus. Adhering to all safety precautions is a must and the ability to remain calm is paramount.

Working Conditions:

Primarily working in a dirty environment and will be exposed to weather extremes. The candidate will be exposed to potentially hazardous environments and situations on a daily basis. Job often requires working at odd hours and under poor lighting conditions. Schedule changes may be necessary to ensure continuity of patient care.

General sign-off: The employee is expected to adhere to all company policies and to act as a role model in the adherence to policies.

I have read and understand this explanation and job description.

Signature: _____ Date: _____



Task Force 80/PA Company 6

Job Description

Water Rescue Captain

FLSA status: Nonexempt

Reports to: Task Force 80 Administration

General Summary:

The purpose of Task Force 80 is to unite and maximize resources in the North Central region and simultaneously augmenting the statewide response to disasters. Since 9/11/2001 our region has worked diligently to acquire and provide training, equipment and resources to expand the regions capabilities. The past several years has led to stagnation as funds dwindled and progress slowed. After consultation with various special operations groups in the region we learned we have similar problems. A common problem is people wearing too many hats. To avoid losing the talent and experience in the region we developed a program to be more inclusive enabling all special operations units to capitalize by sharing resources and personnel. At the time of this publication special operations units operate in a silo type management structure within the region. We are hoping to unite these units under a comprehensive program with the ability to expand and adjust to meet the needs of the region.

Additionally, the purpose is to be a visionary body planning to meet the current and future needs for special operations and provide a united voice for acquisition of funding.

Education:

1. High school diploma
2. Haz-Mat R&I
3. Haz-Mat Operations
4. Pennsylvania Certified or Nationally Registered EMT
5. Water Rescue for the First Responder
6. Water Rescue & Emergency Response
7. Emergency Boat operations & Rescue
8. Ice Rescue & Emergency Response
9. Advanced Line Systems
10. ISC-100,200,300,700, &800
11. Blood Borne Pathogen training
12. Instructor I
13. Fire Officer I
16. Completion of JPRs to the Operational Level

Preferred certifications include: Basic Vehicle Rescue, Basic Rescue Practices, Forcible Entry Operations or Truck Company 1, Incident Command, and Essentials of Firefighting or its equivalent.



Work Experience:

10 years minimum of field experience and a supervisory role or comparable educational experience required.

Special Employment Requirements:

1. Ability to communicate with others and the public. Must be able to function as an effective team leader.
2. Obtain an FBI, Child abuse and PSP back ground check upon employment and every three years thereafter.

Machines, Tools, Equipment:

1. Must have knowledge of Basic and Advanced rescue and firefighting tools as used in BVR and BRP.
2. Must have knowledge of Basic and Advanced rescue and firefighting tools as used in High Angle, Trench, Confined Space, Collapse and Water Rescue.

Primary Tasks:

1. Direct involvement in swift water, ice rescue and other various hazardous scenarios.
2. Implementing and abiding all safety precautions for team safety and training.
3. Direct oversight of all Water Rescue operations and training.
4. Maintaining equipment, tools and apparatus relating to Water Rescue.
5. Prepare a pre-plan to aid in mission planning when feasible
6. Serve as a liaison to local emergency medical service officials, local hospitals, officials for public safety agencies, and other personnel
7. Interface with existing emergency medical service providers to help obtain secure and timely transportation for the injured or ill, via improved communications with ground and/or air medical emergency medical service Transport Agencies; however, this Team will be a non-transport agency and will rely upon existing emergency medical service system for transportation of patients
8. Be present at debriefing sessions and provide an analysis of the mission from the perspective of the water rescue specialist, providing suggestions for improvement regarding the event to the team

Other Tasks:

- Coordinate joint training with other disciplines.
- Insure readiness of staff and equipment.

Physical Demands:

This job requires individuals to be able to work in extreme conditions and very stressful situations. Physical demands will require individuals to remove patients from water into various watercraft, lift



equipment that weighs over 100 pounds and swim great distances while assisting a victim to a place of refuge.

This job requires working in water that may be contaminated with numerous sources hazardous materials including but not limited to: Fuel oil, gasoline, raw sewage, bodily fluids, etc.

Must be free of visual or hearing deficits that would prohibit performance in their scope of practice.

Accident and Health Hazards:

Job requires exposure to blood and body fluids, occasional contact with chemicals. The Candidate will be operating in a high-risk Rescue environment providing care as needed.

Working Conditions:

Primarily working in a dirty environment and will be exposed to weather extremes. The candidate will be exposed to potentially hazardous environments and situations on a daily basis. Job often requires working at odd hours and under poor lighting conditions. Schedule changes may be necessary to ensure continuity of patient care.

General sign-off: The Task Force Member is expected to adhere to all company policies and to act as a role model in the adherence to policies.

I have read and understand this explanation and job description.

Signature: _____ Date: _____