
**Interagency Airtanker Base Subcommittee
RTCM/MXMS Taskbook Implementation Plan**



Membership

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To: National Interagency Aviation Committee

From: Interagency Airtanker Base Subcommittee

Subject: Implementation Plan for Retardant Crewmember/Mixmaster Position Task Book

Program Area: Fire Preparedness and Training

Purpose: Establish the Retardant Crewmember/Mixmaster (RTCM/MXMS) position task book (PTB) as a NIMS Wildland Fire Qualifications System Guide (PMS-310-1) requirement for qualification/certification in the position.

Policy/Action: Completion and Certification of the RTCM and MXMS PTB will be added to the PMS-310-1 as required experience.

Implementation: To minimize the impact to the field, the new standards will be implemented for current DOI, USFS and NASF responders in the Incident Qualification and Certification System (IQCS) or Incident qualification System (IQS) on June 1st 2019.

- Currently Qualified RTCM and MXMS responders will remain qualified.
- All RTCM and MXMS trainee responders and new responders on June 1, 2019 will be required to complete the position specific PTB before being qualified.
- The new standards will also apply to any responder with an “unqualified” status.

The IQCS certifying official is responsible for reconciling any DOI/USFS/NASF specific training and qualification for newly hired employees from other agencies. This may be accomplished by providing the DOI/USFS/NASF required criteria or by manually awarding the competencies.

Timeframe: Effective June 1st 2019

Budget/Impact: Minimal

Manual/Handbook Section Effected: NIMS Wildland Fire Qualifications System Guide (PMS-310-1).

Coordination: This effort has been coordinated with the BLM and USFS Fire and Aviation office, BLM and USFS Fire Training, and State Agencies.