

### 3.6.3.6 Specialized Equipment



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#### 1.0 POLICY REFERENCE

CFR

NFPA

NIMS

#### 2.0 PURPOSE

This standard operating procedure/guideline addresses identifying, accessing, and operating specialized equipment during disaster situations, including equipment controlled by outside agencies, private sector companies, and members of the public.

#### 3.0 SCOPE

This SOP/SOG pertains to all personnel in this organization.

#### 4.0 DEFINITIONS

These definitions are pertinent to this SOP/SOG.

#### 5.0 PROCEDURES/GUIDELINES & INFORMATION

##### 5.1 Identifying, Accessing, and Operating Specialized Equipment during Disaster Situations:

## **Volunteers and Services**

- a. Individuals who are not members of any particular volunteer group (often referred to as “spontaneous”, “emergent”, or “non-affiliated” volunteers).
- b. Individuals who are members of recognized disaster relief organizations who have undergone formal training by those organizations (i.e., “affiliated” volunteers).
- c. People with specialized training and expertise (e.g., doctors, nurses, medics, search and rescue, fire fighters, heavy equipment operators, etc.) who may either be non-affiliated or members of a disaster relief organization.
- d. Teams that provide specialized equipment or capabilities (e.g., urban search and rescue, dog teams, swift water rescue teams, home repair teams, etc.).

### **5.2 Equipment controlled by Outside Agencies:**

### **5.3 Equipment controlled by Private Sector Companies:**

### **5.4 Equipment controlled by Members of the Public:**