



National Resource Sharing Centre

Interstate Deployments

Divisional Commander

Functional Area

IMT

Core Capability Area

Operations

Role Summary

The Divisional Commander is required to manage a multi-team response at an incident which may be time critical and/or potentially threatening to life, property or the environment.

An individual performing in this role has the title of Sector or Division Commander and/or Level 1 Operations Officer and is delegated responsibility by either the Incident Controller or Operations Officer. The individual is responsible for managing a sector or division at an incident.

Key duties

- implementation of strategies to resolve the incident
- management of all activities that are undertaken directly to resolve the incident
- management of all resources (people and equipment) assigned to the division (Operations Section).

Reporting Arrangements

Reports to:

The Divisional Commander reports to the Operations Officer.

Direct reports:

The Divisional Commander supervises:

- Sector Leaders
- Strike Force Leaders
- Task Force Leaders
- Single Resources Leaders

Role Considerations

Relevant Competencies

To be eligible to perform the role of Divisional Commander, the candidate must hold statements of attainment in:

- PUAOPE016 - Manage a multi-team sector (Release 2) (40hrs)
- PUAOPE023 Manage operations for a level 2 incident (40hrs)

And one of the following

- PUAFIR302 Suppress urban fire
- PUAFIR303 Suppress wildfire.

AFAC EMPS Credentials

The following AFAC EMPS credentials are relevant to this role:

- The Registered Divisional Commander credential is awarded to an individual who has successfully fulfilled all eligibility requirements. Individuals will be recognised as proficient in commanding a Division as defined in AIIMS, with experience in the role at high-impact, high-consequence, complex events.

Fitness or Other Standards

- Authorisation to perform this role is subject to individual agency endorsement arrangements and timeframes.
- AFAC EMPS Registered practitioners are required to complete a minimum of **10 hours** of Continuous Professional Development (CPD) per Australian financial year 1 July – 30 June. Practitioners can attain the required hours from agency mandated training or refresher requirements, performance in the designated role, or participation in relevant theory-based professional development activities.
 - Please note, as part of these CPD requirements, each practitioner must have accumulated at least five hours performing the role actual or in a realistic (not desktop exercise) during those 12 months.
 - In adhering to CPD requirements, personnel maintain their eligibility to be a member of EMPS and demonstrate that skills remain current. See link for further information: [AFAC EMPS CPD requirements](#).

References

- EMPS
- PUA
- AIIMS2017 Aide Memoire