

Operations Branch Director Position Checklist

The following checklist should be considered as the minimum requirements for this position. Note that some of the tasks are one-time actions; others are ongoing or repetitive for the duration of the incident.



Task

1. Obtain briefing from Operations Section Chief or Incident Commander:
 - Determine resources assigned to the Branch, current location, and activities.
 - Review assignments for Divisions and/or Groups within Branch and modify based on effectiveness of current operations.
 - If modification requires re-assignment or changes of status of resources, provide resource information to the Operations Section Chief or Incident Commander.
 - Determine general organizational structure, including identification of other Branches, Divisions, and Groups operating on the incident.

2. Attend Operations Briefing.

3. Develop tactical assignments, with subordinates, for Branch control operations.

4. Assign specific work tasks to Division/Group Supervisors.

5. Resolve logistical problems reported by subordinates:
 - Monitor radio transmissions and cell phone use to assess communications needs.
 - Ensure resources receive adequate food, liquids, and rehabilitation.
 - Request additional resources through approved ordering channels.

6. Report to Operations Section Chief whenever:
 - Incident Action Plan (IAP) is to be modified.
 - Additional resources are needed.
 - Surplus resources are available.
 - Hazardous situations or significant events occur.

7. Coordinate activities with other Branch Directors.

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8. Attend Planning Meetings at the request of the Operations Section Chief.

9. Debrief on shift activities, prior to leaving shift, with Operations Section Chief and Planning Section Chief or Situation Unit Leader.

10. Ensure Branch fiscal record-keeping.

11. Document all activity on Unit Log (ICS Form 214).