

TRIAGE

- Don the appropriate vest and use the radio designation "Triage."
- Assign personnel to triage the "walking wounded." Use a bullhorn or PA system to direct victims to a specific location or to a decontamination area if needed.
- Direct personnel to triage and tag victims where they lay if the scene is safe.
- Prioritize victims using colored triage ribbons.
- Request Litter Bearer Teams from COMMAND/MEDICAL to assist with movement of victims from the incident site to the treatment area. Coordinate patient movement with the Treatment Officer.
- Victims who are black tagged/deceased should be left where they are found. Notify the medical examiner/law enforcement of their locations.
- Report to COMMAND/MEDICAL the number and category of victims.
- Ensure that all areas of the incident have been checked for victims and that all victims have been triaged.
- Once triage is completed, contact COMMAND for further assignment.
- If victims are contaminated, use the Disaster Management System (DMS) All-Risk Triage tag to identify contaminated victims and identify any antidotes administered. Have victims remove their clothing and place it in bags. Use the ID strip from the All-Risk Triage tags to label these items; have law enforcement secure the items.
- If the incident is due to a known or suspected WMD/terrorist event, refer to WMD FOG #8.