

PROCEDURE NO. 024 Medical Emergency Response Team (MERT) **(July 2010)**

A Medical Emergency Response Team (MERT) is ordered when a significant commitment of California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) inmate firefighters are assigned to an incident. A MERT is typically made up of three personnel consisting of a registered nurse and two medical technical assistants to provide medical assistance to inmate firefighters. The CDCR MERT personnel respond from the Susanville Training Center (LMU) and Sierra Training Center (TCU). ([See HB 6456](#))

Responsibilities and Action

ECC

1. Receive resource request for a MERT activation.
2. Enter the request into the resource ordering system of record. The resource will be requested as a Medical Emergency Response Team (MERT), a single overhead request.
3. Place request to the appropriate Region OCC.

Region OCC

1. Receive request in the resource ordering system of record.
2. Place request to the appropriate ECC (North–SIFC, South – TCCC).

ECC

1. Receive the request for MERT from Region OCC in the resource ordering system of record.
2. Contact CDCR at the appropriate correctional facility and place the order for a MERT.
3. Fill request in the resource ordering system of record.

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