

Allied Radio Matrix for Emergency Response (ARMER) Standards, Protocols, Procedures

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1. Purpose and Objective:

To establish operational policy for use of the **Statewide Emergency Management Talkgroup SEMTAC**. This TG is a shared resource that allows interoperability between Emergency Managers their respective Emergency Operations Centers (EOC) and other key partners for the purpose of Emergency Management Coordination.

The intention of the resource is to allow Emergency Managers to communicate with one another and to connect EOCs as well as Emergency Management Field Operations until another talkgroup is assigned if deemed necessary. The talkgroup may be use for direct communication with the SEMTAC on an ongoing daily basis depending on the operation. The talkgroup may also be used for large scale coordination during a disaster to coordinate regional resources, agencies, EOCs, etc. from a Macro prospective. The talkgroup may be used to facilitate coordination between many different partners.

2. Technical Background:

- **Capabilities**
N/A
- **Constraints**
N/A

3. Operational Context:

Emergency Managers and their partners may need to coordinate operations, resources, etc. across a large multi-jurisdictional area of the state. Emergency Managers and their partners in the state may need speak directly utilizing the SEMTAC for ongoing daily business (event dependent), as well as operations and planning during an incident.

4. Recommended Protocol/ Standard:

Talk Group requirements:

- Highly Recommended for Emergency Management personnel at the state, county and local levels as well as those partners that routinely work with Emergency Management.
- Optional for Public Safety Agencies

If an Emergency Manager, or Emergency Management Partner needs to talk to another Emergency Manager or partner, the following information should be given

- Their agency
- Identify what Emergency Manager/Partner your calling by agency, or name

It is up to each agency Emergency Manager/Partner to monitor the SEMTAC talkgroup.

5. Recommended Procedure:

N/A

6. Management:

The Minnesota Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management will be responsible for assuring compliance and uses of these resources.