



TEMAT Overview

TDEM, in collaboration with TEEX and TAMFS, established the Texas Emergency Management Assistance Teams (TEMAT), specialized response teams composed of local jurisdictional and state resources. These discipline-specific teams are rostered and trained together before deployment, enabling high-level engagement and incident response. Their structure allows them to serve as a force multiplier in disaster operations.

TEMAT is comprised of the following teams:

- **Incident Support Task Force (ISTF)** – A Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) asset that provides expertise across multiple areas of response and recovery. The ISTF is made up of local emergency management professionals.
- **State of Texas Incident Management Team (IMT)** – A Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) asset that supplies position-specific personnel to support emergency operations under the Incident Command System. Membership includes both local and state emergency management professionals.
- **Public Works Response Team (PWRT)** – A Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service (TEEX) asset that delivers critical infrastructure support, staffed by local public works specialists.
- **Texas A&M Task Force (TX-TF)** – A Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service (TEEX) asset that provides search and rescue capabilities, comprised of local first responders.
- **Texas Interstate Fire Mutual Aid System (TIFMAS)** – A Texas A&M Forest Service (TAMFS) asset that delivers wildland firefighting, fire department support and All Hazard response, comprised of local and state firefighting personnel and equipment.



TEMAT Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Process

1. Local Jurisdictional Request for MOU

Any taxing entity, which includes City, County, Tribal, ESD, and ISD's, may request to complete a TEMAT Memorandum of Understanding with the state. To begin, please contact your TEMAT POC, ISTF Regional Coordinator, TDEM Regional Staff/Leadership.

2. Local Jurisdictional ID (JID)

Once initiated, the local jurisdiction POC will receive a **TEMAT MOU Jurisdictional ID (JID)** (specific to your jurisdiction) along with a link to the [TEMAT MOU Submission Form](#).

3. MOU Execution

Using the Submission Form:

- Select your jurisdiction (City, County ESD, ISD, Tribal).
- Enter your **JID (also called “pin”)**. This pin is provided by TDEM ISTF upon request.
- Provide your full name.
- Choose your preferred signature method: **DocuSign** or **Hardcopy**.

4. DocuSign Option

- Review the populated TEMAT MOU.
- Check and initial each TEMAT Program your jurisdiction will participate in.
- Enter your contact information.
- Select “Save/Continue” to proceed to DocuSign and execute the MOU.

5. Hardcopy Option

- Enter your email address to download the MOU.
- Complete and sign the form.
- Upload the signed document back into the [TEMAT MOU Submission Form](#).