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- ☒ A record of proficiency testing for any personnel conducting specialized tasks on behalf of the jurisdiction during victim search and recovery operations (e.g., mapping, photography, human remains documentation, and/or scene data management).

## **B. Quality Challenges**

There are a number of quality challenges that consistently appear and require immediate attention during mass fatality scene operations. The quality system should—at a minimum—have procedures in place to deal with these more commonly-encountered problems:

- ☒ Handwritten notes transcription, rather than direct data entry at the time of collection.
- ☒ Non-standardized data recording and collection forms (thus no data interoperability between the scene and the disaster morgue).
- ☒ Incorrect tracking numbers entered into mapping instruments, photographic logs, victim recording forms, and/or chain-of-custody documentation.
- ☒ Barcoding, labeling, tagging, or other means of affixing evidence tracking numbers to human remains is not uniform or consistent (i.e., with all data formatted the same way every time).
- ☒ Non-water resistant barcodes, labels, tags, or other means of affixing evidence tracking numbers to human remains (i.e., non-permanent ink used).
- ☒ Mislabeled evidence containers, or containers with human remains from multiple tracking numbers inside.
- ☒ No evidence container inventory protocol used at the intake station/staging area.
- ☒ No evidence container verification protocol used when the containers leave the scene for the disaster morgue.
- ☒ Use of untrained personnel (or personnel with “just-in-time” training) for specialized tasks (e.g., mapping, photography, human remains documentation, and/or scene data management).