To prepare an adequate Test and Evaluation Strategy, T&E practitioners must understand how the system will be employed and the anticipated employment environment. Every system should have a written concept of operations (CONOPS), operational mode summary (OMS) / mission profile (MP), field manual, table of organization and equipment, tactical operations manual, or tactics, techniques, and procedures manual. All TEMPS, to include the MS A TEMP should reference these documents. Any aspects of the CONOPS/OMS/MP that may require significant consideration for testing, such as specialized units, target sets, ranges, threat emulators, or long production lead times should be highlighted. The number of system units to be employed by the user in the context of an operational scenario (e.g., number of systems in a company), are identified to help scope the test program’s resources. If the new system capability is intended to be applicable to a joint force, the joint aspects of the test program should be described.

The CONOPS need not be replicated in the TEMP.

Example