Title: Manage an Incident Management Team (IMT) response

Level: 6
Credits: 15

Purpose: People credited with this unit standard are able to: conduct an assessment of the incident; establish an IMT and control systems in response to the nature of the incident; initiate and approve an incident action plan (IAP); manage an IMT; and manage post-incident activities.

Classification: Community and Workplace Fire and Emergency Management > Workplace Emergency Risk Management

Available grade: Achieved

Entry information: Unit 22445, Describe the roles and functions of a CIMS Incident Management Team (IMT) at an incident, and any one of the following: Unit 22446, Perform the planning/intelligence function in an Incident Management Team (IMT); or Unit 22447, Perform the operations management function in an Incident Management Team (IMT); or Unit 22448, Perform the logistics function in an Incident Management Team (IMT); or demonstrate equivalent knowledge and skills.

Explanatory notes:


2. Primary references for this unit standard are approved training resources endorsed by the National Joint Agency CIMS Steering Committee. These references are available from the Fire and Rescue Services Industry Training Organisation, PO Box 11988, Wellington 6142.
3 Definitions
An incident is a disruption, accidentally or deliberately caused, which requires a response from one or more agency.
An event is an incident or a planned activity that occurs in a particular place during a particular interval of time.
An emergency is an event, actual or imminent, which endangers or threatens to endanger life, property, or the environment, and which requires a significant and coordinated response.
Agency procedures refer to written agency requirements for responding to, and taking action at, emergencies.
The coordinated incident management system (CIMS) is a structure established to systematically manage emergency incidents.
The incident action plan (IAP) is a statement of the objectives, strategies, and critical functions to be taken at an incident.

4 Evidence for this unit standard can be from an actual event and/or from a simulated incident response.

5 Credit for this unit standard does not in itself qualify an individual to hold the appointment to manage an Incident Management Team. An organisation and/or agency may require an individual to display additional competencies and/or hold another qualification or qualifications in order to undertake the role.

Outcomes and evidence requirements

Outcome 1

Conduct an assessment of the incident.

Evidence requirements

1.1 Initial assessment of the situation identifies the nature of the incident.
1.2 Assessment of the situation identifies the authority responsible for the management of the incident.
1.3 Factors likely to impact on the response are assessed in accordance with CIMS principles.
1.4 Resources required for response operations are identified in accordance with CIMS principles.
1.5 Constraints that may impede the response are identified in accordance with CIMS principles.
1.6 Initial response options are identified and assessed in accordance with CIMS principles.
Outcome 2

Establish an IMT and control systems in response to the nature of the incident.

Evidence requirements

2.1 Control and coordination are established in accordance with CIMS principles, designated lead agency procedures, and legislation applicable to the situation.

2.2 IMT is established in accordance with the size and complexity of the incident and in accordance with CIMS.

2.3 Communication systems and procedures are established in accordance with CIMS to facilitate functions of the IMT.

2.4 Control systems are established appropriate to the size and complexity of the incident and in accordance with CIMS.

Range finance, information flows, reporting mechanism, liaison, human resources, physical resources, communications.

Outcome 3

Initiate and approve an IAP.

Evidence requirements

3.1 Intelligence gathering, logistical support, and planning processes are initiated appropriate to the nature and complexity of the incident and in accordance with CIMS.

3.2 Initiation and approval of IAP is in accordance with the lead agency procedures and CIMS.

Range objectives, strategies, tactics.

3.3 IAP identifies and directs the role of the lead and supporting agencies.

3.4 The IAP is monitored and reviewed in accordance with the incident development and CIMS principles.

Outcome 4

Manage an IMT.

Evidence requirements

4.1 Critical tasks are identified and allocated in accordance with the IAP.

4.2 Critical tasks are expressed in terms of expectations, time restraints, and resource requirements.
4.3 Critical tasks are revised in accordance with status reports and progress.

4.4 Changeovers are organised in accordance with CIMS.

4.5 Emergency conditions are monitored to ensure that the safety of responding personnel is maintained within acceptable risk levels in accordance with CIMS principles.

4.6 Safety of the public is maintained as a priority, in keeping with IAP objectives.

4.7 Reporting processes are carried out in accordance with agency procedures and CIMS.

Range situation reports, briefings, media statements, system reports.

Outcome 5

Manage post-incident activities.

Evidence requirements

5.1 Transition arrangements for response and recovery activities are implemented in accordance with agency procedures and the demobilisation plan.

5.2 Demobilisation of the operational organisation is undertaken in accordance with agency procedures, any relevant recovery plans and the demobilisation plan.

5.3 Physical, human, and financial resources are accounted for in accordance with agency procedures and the IAP.

5.4 Reports and debrief process and procedures are implemented in accordance with agency procedures and CIMS.

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Accreditation and Moderation Action Plan (AMAP) reference 0039

This AMAP can be accessed at http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do.
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Consent requirements and an outline of the moderation system that applies to this standard are outlined in the Accreditation and Moderation Action Plan (AMAP). The AMAP also includes useful information about special requirements for organisations wishing to develop education and training programmes, such as minimum qualifications for tutors and assessors, and special resource requirements.

Comments on this unit standard
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