Training Module

Incident Response System

Liaison Officer

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF DISASTER MANAGEMENT
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
Objectives

By the end of this unit, participants will be able to:

- Identify the course objective and position-specific resource material for the position of Liaison Officer
- Describe the course objective

Time Plan

A suggested time plan for this unit is shown below. More or less time may be required, based on the experience level of the group.

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<td>Exercise 1</td>
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Unit 1  
Course Introduction

Topic  
Course Title Slide

Key Points
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**Topic**  Unit Terminal Objective

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- Identify course objectives and position-specific resource materials for the position of Liaison Officer.

**Key Points**

*Unit Terminal Objective*

Identify course objectives and position-specific resource materials for the position of Liaison Officer.

*Unit Enabling Objective*

- Describe the course objectives
Unit Overview

- Introductions
- Expectations
- Course Objective
- Course Scope

Key Points

Unit Overview

- Introductions
- Expectations
- Course Objective
- Course Scope
Introductions

- Instructor and student introductions
- Incident response experiences
- Reasons for being a Liaison Officer

Key Points

Instructor introduction

Brief background

Participant introduction

- Self introductions
- Incident response experiences
- Why be a Liaison Officer?
**Topic**  
Expectations

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**Expectations**

- Our expectations for this course...

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**Key Points**

Follow instructions from the instructor for discussing the expectations for this course.
Course Objective

- Upon completion of this course, participants will demonstrate through exercises, an understanding of the duties, responsibilities and capabilities of an effective Liaison Officer.

Key Points

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Course Design

- Course length of 2 days
- Combination of lecture, discussion and exercises
- Course was designed under the assumption that participants have completed Basic & Intermediate Course on IRS.

Key Points

The course has been designed to be two days in length.

Through a combination of lecture, discussions, and exercises, participants, upon course completion, will be provided the knowledge to meet the objectives of the course. Participants interaction and participation will be integral to this process.

The course was designed under the assumption that participants would have competed IRS Basic & Intermediate Course prior to attending this training.

The course material was not developed to substantively delve into the topics covered in those courses; rather, this is a position-specific course focusing on the duties and responsibilities of one member of an IRT in an all-hazards context.
Unit 1  Course Introduction

Topic  All-Hazards Curriculum

All-Hazards Curriculum

- Incident Response System (IRS) origins
- All-Hazards
- The fundamentals of the job are the same regardless of incident type

Key Points

Follow instructions from the instructor for discussing this curriculum.
Key Points

_Sailboat & the Ship: The 99% & 1% Solution_

Regardless of the scale of the incident, you will require the same types of resources and competencies, the only difference between incidents being the level at which they are applied.

This course will focus training at a high-level of application, allowing participants to scale and apply the lessons learned to the types or levels of incidents to which they may respond.
**Key Points**

The Flower Diagram illustrates the concept that successful performance of the tasks, duties, activities in any position requires both core and incident-specific competencies.

- **Core competencies** are the competencies required of an Liaison Officer regardless of discipline

- **Hazard-specific competencies** are those required to perform in a particular discipline (law enforcement, fire, public health, hazmat, EMS, public works, etc.)

- The center of the flower represents the core competencies of the position.

- The petals represent the hazard-specific competencies associated with specific disciplines

- You cannot be competent as a Liaison Officer with only the center of the flower or only the petals- “the flower needs to be complete” to ensure qualification.
Topic: Exercise 1

Key Points

Follow instructions from the instructor for completing the exercise activities as well as any instructions in the supplemental materials.
### Key Points

**IRS Form 006 – Check-in List**

For this course: At the beginning of each day of the course, be sure to sign-in on the posted 006.

**IRS Form 003 – Unit Log**

For this course: You are responsible for filling in a 003 each day and handling it in to the instructors at the end of the day.

IRS Form 003 should capture the three “3 A’s”: Actions, Agreements, Accidents.

Handout 1-1 may be used as a model for how the 003’s should be filled in each day. For each unit in this course, participants should list the three most important things that they learned in that unit.
Topic: Objective Review

Objective Review

- What is the course objective?

Key Points

Unit Terminal Objectives

Identify course objectives and position-specific resource materials for the position of Liaison Officer.

Unit Enabling Objectives

- Describe the course objective
ALL HAZARDS LIAISON OFFICER

Exercise 1
Unit 1

Purpose

The purpose of this exercise is to provide participants with an opportunity to identify functions essential to the Liaison Officer that they perform regularly at their daily jobs:

Objectives

Participants will:

- Identify common functions performed on a regular basis as part of their job and match those to duties and responsibilities of a Liaison Officer.

Exercise Structure

This exercise is scheduled to last approximately 30 minutes, including small group discussion and presentation of group findings. Participants will review the Liaison Officer and identify their current job responsibilities that are similar to those identified duties for the Liaison Officer. This analysis should stay at the Competencies level. Each group will present their findings to the other groups.

Rules, Roles and Responsibilities

Following are the specific activities/instructions for your participation in the exercise:

1. Within your work group, select a group spokesperson.
2. Looking at the Competencies (do not delve into Behaviors or Tasks), identify functions and duties that you perform during your regular job and that are consonant with those performed by the Liaison Officer
3. Write the common functions/duties/responsibilities on easel pad paper.
4. Present your list to the other groups.

Facilitators moderate discussions, answer questions and provide additional information as required

Exercise 1 Schedule

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<th>Duration</th>
<th>Participation Type</th>
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<td>Exercise Introduction and Overview</td>
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<td>Classroom</td>
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<td>Discussion/Documentation</td>
<td>15 minutes</td>
<td>Small Groups</td>
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<td>Debrief/Review</td>
<td>15 minutes</td>
<td>Classroom</td>
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**All-Hazard Liaison Officer**

**Competency 1: Assume position responsibilities**

Description: Successfully assume role of Liaison Officer and initiate position activities at the appropriate time according to the following behaviors.

**Skill Set 1: Ensure readiness for assignment**

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<td>1. Obtain and assemble information and materials needed for kit. Kit will be assembled and prepared prior to receiving an assignment. Kit will contain critical items needed for the assignment and items needed for functioning during the first 48 hours. Kit will be easily transportable and within agency weight limitation. The basic information and materials need may include, but is not limited to, any of the following:</td>
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<td>Reference Materials</td>
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<td>• Appropriate references for the incident</td>
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<td>• Field Operation Guide</td>
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<td>• Position Manual – for the Liaison Officer</td>
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<td>• Individual checklists/reminders.</td>
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<td>Forms</td>
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<td>• IRS Form 003, Unit Log</td>
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<td>• Department specific forms appropriate to the function</td>
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<td>Supplies</td>
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<td>• Office supplies appropriate to the function.</td>
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**Skill Set 2: Ensure readiness of self and subordinates [crew] for assignment.**

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<td>1. Arrive properly equipped at incident assigned location within acceptable time limits.</td>
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<td>2. Check in according to agency guidelines.</td>
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**Skill Set 3: Ensure availability, qualifications and capabilities of resources to complete assignment.**

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<td>1. Establish a work location within the first operational period following check in.</td>
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<td>• Work location must be:</td>
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<td>- Visible</td>
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<td>- Identifiable</td>
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<td>- In close proximity to the Planning Section</td>
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<td>- Have adequate space for two to four persons.</td>
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<td>• Coordinate bulletin board posting of agency information.</td>
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<td>2. Ensure sufficient personnel and resources to accomplish information exchange.</td>
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<td>3. If needed, obtain Assistant(s) for the liaison staff to complete required duties.</td>
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**Skill Set 4: Gather, update and apply situational information relevant to the assignment.**

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<td>1. Obtain complete information from dispatch upon activation.</td>
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<td>• Incident name.</td>
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<td>• Incident order number.</td>
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<td>• Request number.</td>
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<td>• Reporting location.</td>
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<td>• Reporting time.</td>
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<td>• Transportation arrangements/travel routes.</td>
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<td>• Contact procedures during travel (telephone/radio).</td>
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<td>2. Gather information necessary to assess incident assignment and determine immediate needs and actions.</td>
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<td>• Incident Commander’s/Supervisor’s name and location; make contact.</td>
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<td>• Type of incident.</td>
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<td>• Current resource commitments</td>
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<td>• Current situation</td>
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<td>• Expected duration of assignment.</td>
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<td>3. Assemble incident information for use in briefings and filling requests.</td>
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<tr>
<td>• Within the first operational period after check in, obtain incident information from the Incident Commander, Resources Unit and Situation Unit.</td>
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<tr>
<td>• Update incident information by the beginning of each operational period.</td>
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4. Assembly agency in formation for use in answering request and resolving problems.
   - Obtain assisting, cooperating, and non-governmental agency information that includes:
     - Contact persons (Departmental Representatives)
     - Radio frequencies.
     - Phone and Pager numbers.
     - Cooperative agreements.
     - Equipment type.
     - Number of Personnel.
     - Condition of equipment and personnel.
     - Agency constraints or limitations.

Skill Set 5: Establish effective relationships with relevant personnel

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<tr>
<td>1. Establish and maintain positive interpersonal and interagency working relationships.</td>
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2. Create a work environment that provides diversity and equal opportunity for all personnel assigned to the incident.

Skill Set 6: Establish organization structure, reporting procedures, and chain of command of assigned resources

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<tr>
<td>1. Supervise liaison staff as needed, based on changes in incident situation and resource status.</td>
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<td>• Ensure that priorities are communicated and understood.</td>
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<td>• Ensure that safety procedures are maintained.</td>
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<td>• Ensure effective use and coordination of all assigned resources.</td>
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Skill Set 7: Understand and comply with IRS concepts and principles

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<td>1. Maintain appropriate span of control.</td>
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2. Demonstrate knowledge of IRS structure, principles, positions, and IRS forms.
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**Competency 2: Lead assigned personnel**

Description: Influence, guide and direct assigned personnel to accomplish objectives and desired outcomes in a rapidly changing, high-risk environment

**Skill Set 1: Model leadership principles of Duty, Respect and Integrity.**

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<td>1. Exhibit principles of duty.  &lt;br&gt; - Be proficient in your job, both technically and as a leader.  &lt;br&gt; - Make sound and timely decisions.  &lt;br&gt; - Ensure that tasks are understood, supervised and accomplished.  &lt;br&gt; - Develop your subordinates for the future.</td>
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<td>2. Exhibit principles of respect.  &lt;br&gt; - Know your subordinates and look out for their well-being.  &lt;br&gt; - Keep your subordinates informed.  &lt;br&gt; - Build the team.  &lt;br&gt; - Employ your subordinates in accordance with their capabilities.</td>
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<td>3. Exhibit principles of integrity.  &lt;br&gt; - Know yourself and seek improvement.  &lt;br&gt; - Seek responsibility and accept responsibility for your actions.  &lt;br&gt; - Set the example.</td>
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<td>4. Use diplomacy to resolve concerns related to multi-agency involvement.</td>
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**Skill Set 2: Ensure the safety, welfare and accountability of assigned personnel.**

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<td>1. Recognize potentially hazardous situations.</td>
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<td>2. Inform subordinates of hazards.</td>
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<td>3. Ensure that special precautions are taken when extraordinary hazards exists.</td>
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<td>4. Ensure adequate rest is provided to all liaison staff.</td>
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Skill Set 3: Establish work assignments and performance expectations, monitor performance and provide feedback.

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<td>1.  Brief and keep subordinates informed and updated.</td>
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<td>2.  Establish time frames and schedules.</td>
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<td>3.  Assign and monitor work assignments.</td>
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<td>4.  Provide counseling and discipline as needed.</td>
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<td>5.  Ensure that performance ratings are completed as required by the Incident Commander/Department Administrator.</td>
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Skill Set 4: Emphasize teamwork.

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<td>1.  Identify and emphasize the achievement of group goals.</td>
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Skill Set 5: Coordinate interdependent activities.

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<td>1.  Interact and coordinate with all Command and General Staff</td>
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<td>•  Receive and transmit current and accurate information.</td>
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Competency 3: Communicate effectively

Description: Use suitable communication techniques to share relevant information with appropriate personnel on a timely basis to accomplish objectives in a rapidly changing, high-risk environment.

Skill Set 1: Ensure all relevant information is exchanged during check-in, briefings, and debriefings.

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<td>1. Within the first operational period after check in, obtain incident information from the incident Commander, Resource Unit and Situation Unit.</td>
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<td>2. Attend incident planning meetings. Provide assisting and cooperating agency input as necessary.</td>
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<td>3. Conduct briefings at predetermined times and locations with assisting, cooperating, and non-governmental agencies prior to each operation period.</td>
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<td>4. Provide assisting and cooperating agencies’ input to the planning process.</td>
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Skill Set 2: Ensure documentation is complete and disposition is appropriate.

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<td>1. Complete IRS Form 003 for each operational period.</td>
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<td>2. Record demobilization issues.</td>
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<td>3. File all records with documentation unit during demobilization.</td>
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Skill Set 3: Gather, produce, and distribute information as required by established guidelines and ensure understanding by recipient.

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<td>1. Keep cooperating and assisting agencies informed of planning actions.</td>
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<td>• Conduct briefings prior to each operational period</td>
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<td>• If necessary, conduct briefing with Department Representatives prior to the Planning Meeting, following the Planning Meeting, or following any change in the Incident Action Plan (IAP).</td>
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<td>• Supply a copy of the Incident Action Plan to Department Representatives.</td>
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2. Respond to requests for information and resolve problems.
   - Fulfill request for information concerning any cooperating or assisting agencies in a timely manner.
   - Follow up on all requests and problems to ensure their completion within the work period following their initiation.
   - Problems or requests that remain incomplete after follow-up should be addressed at the next planning meeting.
   - Advise the Incident Commander of any political or stakeholder concerns related to multi-departments involvement.

3. Supply cooperating and assisting departments with demobilization information at least one operational period prior to demobilization.

Skill Set 4: Communicate and assure understanding of work expectations within the chain of command and across functional areas.

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<tr>
<td>1. Ensure that subordinates understand their roles and responsibilities for carrying out the safety mission during the incident.</td>
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<td>2. Ensure incident management team members are aware of the safety-related of their jobs and undertaken their job responsibilities in a safe manner based on expected duration, size, type of incident, potential values to be protected and jurisdictional involvement.</td>
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**Competency 4: Ensure completion of assigned actions to meet identified objectives**

Description: Identify, analyze and apply relevant situational information and evaluate actions to complete assignments safely and meet identified objectives. Complete actions within established timeframe.

**Skill Set 1: Gather, analyze and validate information pertinent to the incident or event and make recommendations for setting priorities.**

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<td>1. Update incident information by the beginning of each operational period.</td>
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**Skill Set 2: Modify approach based on evaluation of incident situation.**

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**Skill Set 3: Plan for demobilization and ensure demobilization procedures are followed.**

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<tr>
<td>1. Meeting with departments and gather information on personnel and equipment priorities prior to demobilization.</td>
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<td>2. Provide assisting and cooperating departments’ input to the demobilization process.</td>
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<tr>
<td>• Attend demobilization meeting.</td>
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<tr>
<td>• Supply cooperating and assisting agencies with demobilization information at least one operational period prior to demobilization.</td>
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<td>• Record demobilization issues.</td>
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<td>• File all records with the Documentation Unit.</td>
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<td>• Complete demobilization process.</td>
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Skill Set 4: Transfer position duties while ensuring continuity of authority and knowledge, and taking into account the increasing or decreasing incident complexity.

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<td>1. Determine time of transfer, with Incident Commander and your replacement.</td>
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<td>2. Communicate transfer of Liaison duties to Command and General Staff, and assisting and cooperating department representatives.</td>
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<td>3. If necessary, coordinate with agencies about transfer of command back to local jurisdiction.</td>
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**EXAMPLE COMPLETED IRS 003 UNIT LOG**

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<th>UNIT LOG</th>
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<td>Bhuj Earthquake</td>
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<th>2. Date Prepared</th>
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<th>3. Time Prepared</th>
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<th>4. Unit Name/Designators Liaison Officer (IRT)</th>
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<th>5. Unit Leader (Name and Position)</th>
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<td>LNO Ramesh Bhardwaj</td>
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<th>6. Operational Period</th>
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<td>0800 - 1700</td>
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<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>ICS Position</th>
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<tr>
<td>Ramesh Bhardwaj</td>
<td>LNO</td>
<td>Bhuj, Gujarat</td>
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<tr>
<td>Anil Kumar</td>
<td>Assistant LNO</td>
<td>Ahmedabad, Gujarat</td>
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<td>DREPs</td>
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<td>Vinod Kumar</td>
<td>Bhuj Ambulance</td>
<td>Red Cross Society</td>
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<td>Sanjay Srivastav</td>
<td>Disaster Management Authority</td>
<td>Revenue Department</td>
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<td>Krishan Sharma</td>
<td>Bhuj City FD</td>
<td>Station 1 Bhuj</td>
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<td>Kavita Khurana</td>
<td>Bhuj City Public Works</td>
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<td>0730</td>
<td>Attended briefing. Announced my contact info.</td>
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<td>0800</td>
<td>Assigned Anil Kumar to track down DREP from Bhuj Ambulance service – have not talked to ambulance service since last night. Medical unit asking where the standby ambulance is.</td>
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<td>0930</td>
<td>Bhuj’s Collector, Krishan Sharma called me and said he would be here at the ICP @ 1400. Notified IC who said to set up a briefing. Contacted IMO. They will set up the briefing. I will escort Mr. Krishan Sharma.</td>
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<td>0945</td>
<td>Anil Kumar contacted ambulance Agency Rep. Ambulance will report to Med Unit @ 1000. Misunderstood assignment.</td>
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**Handout 1 – 1: Example Complete**
*IRS Form 003*
Key points about information logged on the IRS 003

The purpose of the 014 is to provide documentation of ‘significant’ activities you have worked on when on-duty. As with all documentation about an incident, it serves as a record of actions and activities that are part of the official documentation and timeline of the incident.

There is therefore a dual use for this documentation. First as your personal reminder list/memory jog. And second as proof of action taken in fulfilling your official duties.

1. 0730 Noted the briefing and my announcement of contact info. This is my personal record of having provided this critical information. Benefits of noting this are that it is my proof that I provided the info in case someone claims to have not received it.
2. 0800 Assigned Anil Kumar to track down DREP from Bhuj Ambulance Service...
   a. This serves as a reminder to me to follow up later if I haven’t heard back from Anil Kumar and/or Bhuj Ambulance.
   b. Also a documentation that we have tried to establish contact and have not yet done so.
3. 0930 Bhuj’s Collector called...
   a. Noted who I informed and the assignment of responsibilities.
   a. Noted completion of task assignment #2 above.
   b. Noted cause of problem for later AAR follow-up and possible system change on future incidents.
5. 1200 SO told me...
   a. Any safety issue is potentially critical. Noted my involvement in this issue.
   b. Potential follow-up with both SO and DREP later on.
6. 1300 Disaster Management Authority DREP wants fire engines back
   a. Very significant issue.
   b. Documented that I informed the two critical C&G staff about this development.
   c. May need to follow-up later.
Unit 2: Position Concept
PARTICIPANT GUIDE
Objectives

By the end of this unit, participants will be able to:

- Understand the role and importance of the Liaison Officer as a member of the command staff.

- Describe the roles and responsibilities of the Liaison Officer (Liaison Officer).

- Describe the relationship between the Liaison Officer and the Departmental Representative (Deptt. Rep./Agency Rep.)

- Describe the relationship between the Liaison Officer and the other Incident Response Team members.

- List qualities and behaviors that lead to Liaison Officer success.

- Define, compare and contrast Assisting Agencies, Cooperating Agencies and Non-Governmental Organizations.

- List other common duties the Liaison Officer may encounter.
Unit 2  Position Concept

Time Plan

A suggested time plan for this unit is shown below. More or less time may be required, based on the experience level of the group.

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Reference Materials

- Projector & other equipment as necessary for Power Point presentation.
- Easel board/Easel board paper
- Marking pens
- A blank IRS Form 006
- Blank IRS Form 003s for the entire class
- Field Operation Guide.
- Handout 2-1: Expectations of IRT Members
- Handout 2-2: Department fit on an Incident
- Handout 2-3: Liaison Officer Kit.
Unit 2  Position Concept

**Key Points**
Unit 2  Position Concept

Topic  Unit Terminal Objective

Unit Terminal Objective

- Understand the role and responsibility of the Liaison Officer as a member of the command staff

Key Points

Unit Terminal Objective

- Understand the role and importance of the Liaison Officer as a member of the command staff

Unit Enabling Objective

- Describe the roles and responsibilities of the Liaison Officer (Liaison Officer)
- Describe the relationship between the Liaison Officer and the Departmental Representative (Deptt. Rep.)
- Describe the relationship between the Liaison Officer and the other Incident Response Team (IRT) member
- List qualities and behaviors that lead to Liaison Officer success.
- Define, compare and contrast:
  - Assisting Departments
  - Cooperating Departments
  - Non-Governmental Organizations
• List other common duties an Liaison Officer may encounter
**Unit 2**  
**Position Concept**

**Topic**  
Definition of Incident Response Team (IRT)

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**Definition of Incident Response Team (IRT)**

- The Incident Commander (IC) and appropriate Command and General Staff personnel assigned to an incident.

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**Key Points**

The Incident Commander (IC) and appropriate Command and General Staff personnel assigned to an incident.
**Unit 2**  
**Position Concept**

**Topic**  
Liaison Officer Position in the IRT

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**Key Points**

The Assistant Liaison Officer position is not frequently used on assignments. The assistant position is often used on larger incidents, especially natural disaster like earthquakes, tsunamis etc.

Staffing depends on incident needs.

Deputies must meet the full qualifications of the position they are deputy for. An assistant does not.
Liaison Officer in the IRT

Key Points

The Liaison Officer provides information to and collects information from all four sections of the incident command system structure.
Liaison Officer Job Functions

• The Liaison Officer is a member of the Command Staff

• Liaison Officer is the conduit for communication between the Incident Response Team and the Deptt. Representatives.

Key Points

The Liaison Officer is a member of the Command Staff.

Liaison Officer is the conduit for communications between the Incident Management Team and the DREP (Departmental Representative).
Unit 2  Position Concept

**Topic** Interaction with the IRT

**Interaction with the IRT**

- The “Point of Contact” team member for Line Departments info.
- Ensures the Incident Response Team understands the appropriate use of resources from line departments.

**Key Points**

The Liaison Officer:

- Is the “Point of Contact” team member for information concerning assisting and cooperating agencies.
  - The entire Incident Management Team should be dealing with the Liaison Officer on a regular basis, and should know that the Liaison Officer is the go-to person for agency resource issues.
  - The Liaison Office is the conduit of information between Deptt. Rep./Agency Rep. for resources, and the Operations Section Chief (OSC) for all matters relating to that resource.
- Ensures the Incident Management Team understands the appropriate use of resources from assisting agencies.
- The Liaison Officer keeps the OSC aware of constraints, types of assignments, work/rest issues, etc. Regarding assisting and cooperating agencies.
Interaction with the IRT (cont.)

- Coordinates flow of information between Deptt. Rep./Agency Rep. and Incident Response Team
- Troubleshoots problems with other agencies
- Monitors for developing situations that Incident Response Team needs to know

Handout 2-1: Expectations of Incident Response Team Members

Key Points

The Liaison Officer:

- Coordinates flow of information between DREPs and Incident Response Team.

- Troubleshoots problems with other departments.
  - Is proactive and work to encourage easy, open communication with DREPs.

- Monitors for developing situations that Incident Response Team needs to know.
  - The Information & Media Officer (IMO) is another member of the Incident Management Team that’s very likely to need information on developing situations.
A Successful Liaison Officer

- Works to be easily approachable
- Adjusts to the unique “personality” of each incident
- Is attentive to special concerns during transition

Key Points

A successful Liaison Officer:

- Works to be easily approachable
  - Maintain a calm demeanor and communicate clearly and openly. Make it clear that you are well-versed on the incident, resources, and team members to inspire calm and confidence in others.
    - A good Liaison Officer should make everyone feel like part of the solution, not part of the problem.

- Adjust to the unique “personality” of each incident
  - Take note of the style of dress (casual vs. formal) and social morals in the particular locality of the incident.

- Is attentive to special concerns during transition.
  - Do your homework – know who the key players are, and find out the history of the interactions with other agencies and community members.
    - Changes in work location, equipment, and personnel can change the nature of the interaction.
Interaction with the Departmental Representative (Deptt. Rep./Agency Rep.)

- Deptt. Rep./Agency Rep. interface with the Liaison Officer
- Deptt. Rep./Agency Rep. work for their Department, not the incident
- A complete discussion of Deptt. Rep./Agency Rep. duties will be included in Unit 3

Key Points

Interaction with the Deptt. Rep./Agency Rep.:

1. Deptt. Rep./Agency Rep. interface with the Liaison Officer
2. Deptt. Rep./Agency Rep. work for their agency, not the incident.
3. A complete discussion on Deptt. Rep./Agency Rep. duties will be included in Unit 3.
Other Departments

- Line Departments
- Cooperating Department
- Non-Governmental Organizations (NGO)

Key Points

Assisting and cooperating Departments are those departments that do not have jurisdictional or statutory responsibility to respond to an incident, but are providing resources or support in some way.

**Line Department**

An assisting department provides tactical resources. If an department is supporting your incident objectives, they are most likely serving as an Assisting Department.

**Cooperating Department**

An agency that supports your incident responders is most likely serving as a cooperating Agency.

**Non-Governmental Organizations (NGO)**

Non-profit Organization that is based on interests of its members, individuals, or institutions and that is not created by government, but may work cooperatively with government. Such organizations serve a public purpose, not a private benefit.

NGOs may serve as either an assisting or cooperating department, depending on their role given incident.
**Key Points**

Generally, the incident support functions of Assisting Departments correspond to the functions of the Operations Section.

The incident responder support functions of cooperating Department generally correspond to the functions of the Planning, Logistics and Finance/Administration Sections.
Topic Other Types of Liaison Officers

Other Types of Liaison Officers

• Only 1 Incident Response Team Liaison Officer per incident
• Other types of Liaison Officers may be encountered
• Other Agencies may have Liaison Officers as permanent positions:
  • NDRF
  • Indian Military
  • NGOs
  • Others

Key Points

Only one Liaison Officer will be assigned at each incident, including operating under Unified Command and multi-jurisdictional incidents.

Other departments may assign “Liaison Officers” to an incident because they don’t fully understand the IRS system. They may be suing the term “Liaison Officer” as a day-to-day job description, and not to describe an incident role under IRS. In such cases the Incident Management Team Liaison Officer must tactfully correct this or clarify it to minimize confusion they responders. According to IRS, these people are most likely DREPs.

The term Liaison Officer may have a different meaning to other agencies or may describe other duties than those common in IRS. Some agencies have Liaison Officers as a normal organizational position.

• Indian Military
• Indian Coast Guard
• Government Departments
• Corporations
• Others
Other Liaison Officer Duties

- Meeting and briefing EOC Officials
- Coordinating with Elected Representatives
- Coordinating VIP visits
- Coordinating with Stakeholders

Key Points

The Incident Management Team Liaison Officer may encounter, or be assigned duties not described in the Field Operations Guide (FOG). Such activities must be discussed with the IC to ensure they are being executed as directed or approved by the IC. They must also be coordinated with the other incident Management Team members.

Examples:

- Meeting or briefing local MAC groups or other organizations.
- Coordinating VIP visits
- Coordinating with Stakeholders
Topic Discussion 1

Key Points

Brainstorm materials to be collected in a Liaison Officer Kit.
1. Directory
2. Computer
3. Pencils/Pens
4. Paper
5. Maps
6. Handout 2 – 3
Topic  Objectives Review

Objective Review

• What are the roles and responsibilities of the Liaison Officer?

• What is the relationship between the Liaison Officer and Departmental Representatives

• What is the relationship between the Liaison Officer and the other Incident Management Team members?

Key Points

Unit Terminal Objective

Understand the roles and responsibilities of the Liaison Officer as a member of the Command Staff.

Unit Enabling Objectives:

• Describe the roles and responsibilities of the Liaison Officer (Liaison Officer).

• Describe the relationship between the Liaison Officer and the Departmental Representative (Deptt.Rep./Agency Rep.)

• Describe the relationship between the Liaison Officer and the other Incident Management Team (Incident Management Team) members.
Objectives Review (Cont.)

- What are the skills and attributes that lead to Liaison Officer success?

- What are:
  - Line Departments
  - Cooperating Departments
  - Non-Government Organizations?

- What are the other common duties an Liaison Officer may encounter?

Key Points

Unit Enabling Objectives (Cont.)

- List qualities and behaviors that lead to Liaison Officer success

- Define, Compare and Contrast:
  - Assisting Departments
  - Cooperating Departments
  - Non Governmental Organizations

- List other common duties as Liaison Officer may encounter
EXPECTATIONS OF IRT MEMBERS

I. Incident Commander

A. Incident Commander’s expectations of all C&G Staff members

1. Attend all meetings and briefings on time and fully prepared.
2. Resolve all disputes and misunderstandings of the proposed plan PRIOR to the Planning Meeting. In other words, all IRT members should be able to support the plan as proposed by Operations at the planning meeting.
3. Essential Elements of Information (EEI): Thorough, constant and effective sharing of information as taught in the 420 class.
4. No matter how bad things may be, maintain the planning process and present a positive and professional demeanor that leaves others with the knowledge that we are in control and will overcome the adversity.
5. Take every opportunity to promote the IRS process and teach others how to use it.
6. Be an exemplary model of behavior and performance, and take decisive and immediate action when others in your functional area are not performing to expected standards.
7. Always remember that the IRT exists to support the tactical operations. Keep them foremost in your thoughts and actions.
8. Take care of yourself; get adequate rest and nourishment.
9. Don’t let setbacks or failure get you down. You didn’t cause the incident; you are here work with everyone else to being order out of chaos, sometimes that takes awhile.
10. Take care of each other. Watch for signs of stress or unusual fatigue in your team members. Help each other out when needed.

B. Incident Commander’s expectations of Safety Officer

1. Be fully engaged in the planning process, and provide an appropriate and timely feedback.
2. Identify, manage, instruct and mitigate all hazards on the incident.
4. Promote an attitude of 100% compliance with safety rules throughout the entire organization.
5. Provide a relevant and effective safety message in each IAP.

C. Incident Commander’s expectations of Information & Media Officer

1. Keep incident personnel up-to-date on major current affairs, both on and off the incident.
2. Coordinate with Liaison Officer in relations with Stakeholders.
3. Identify and keep IC informed of emerging issues concerning the incident in the political and public arenas.
4. Coordinate and represent the IC in off-site IMO activities such as the JIC or other agency information outlets.
5. Promote a positive impression of all information and interviews about the incident among any incident personnel who may encounter the public or media.
6. Ensure that the IC is appropriately prepared (not only mentally, but in appearance) when going in front of the camera.

D. Incident Commander’s expectations of Liaison Officer

1. Address cooperating department/stakeholder concerns and issues in a positive manner.
2. Track down, identify, and coordinate with all involved agencies and non-governmental organizations.
3. Provide a positive impression of incident to other departments/stakeholders.
4. Exercise effective leadership and coordination of the Departmental representatives.
5. Coordinate with the IMO in relations with stakeholders.
6. Keep other IRT members constantly aware of issues of cooperating/line departments.

E. Incident Commander’s expectations of Logistics Section Chief

1. Manage the ordering process to ensure all incident needs are met.
2. Whenever possible, anticipate and maintain supplies ahead of the need.
3. Coordinate with supporting EOC to ensure effective and cordial relations.
4. Work closely with Operations to ensure complete logistical support and coordination with tactical operations.
5. Ensure the IC has the best facilities, equipment, and resources to manage the incident.
6. Do it all in a timely manner.

F. Incident Commander’s expectations of Finance Section Chief

1. Advise and counsel all C&G staff about fiscal, contract, and other administrative matters.
2. Be prepared to provide cost analysis if requested by IC or responsible agency.
3. Attend all briefing and strategy sessions; provide input.
4. Coordinate with all staff members and cooperating departmental representatives.
5. Possess good knowledge and ability to operate Finance Section effectively.
6. Coordinate with all responsible agencies to ensure their administrative

Handout 2 – 1: Expectations of IRT Members
requirements are met.

G. Incident Commander’s expectations of Operations Section Chief
   1. Recommend strategies to reach objectives.
   2. Keep IC and other C&G members informed on planned tactics to ensure timely input and support by entire IRT.
   3. Resource ordering within boundaries of fiscal, environmental, and other constraints.
   4. Report unusual events, activities, as well as provide daily updates on the situation.
   5. Insist that all known safety procedures be followed in all tactical planning and execution.
   6. Maintain effective communication with all cooperating departments and ensure that their input is solicited, respected, and given due consideration.

H. Incident Commander’s expectations of Planning Section Chief
   1. Exercise effective leadership and organization of all incident meetings and briefing.
   2. Ensure that the entire organization follows the established planning process, on time and accurately.
   3. Maintain a thorough overview of all incident activities to ensure that complete information is provided for the planning process.

II. Safety Officer

A. Safety Officer’s expectations of Incident Commander
   1. Emphasize safety in all communications and actions.
   2. Support recommendations for changes in tactics for safety reasons.

B. Safety Officer’s expectations of Information & Media Officer
   1. Be sensitive to any accidents or other safety problems on the incident.
   2. Coordinate what is released to public, both media and locals.

C. Safety Officer’s expectation of Liaison Officer
   1. Provide specific information regarding problems with assisting and coordinating departments.
   2. Identify potential safety problems regarding above.

D. Safety Officer’s expectations of Logistics Section Chief

Handout 2 – 1: Expectations of IRT Members
1. Supply personnel/equipment needs.
2. Coordinate with Medical Unit.

E. Safety Officer’s expectation of Finance Section Chief
1. Process accident reports in a timely manner.
2. Maintain constant exchange of information concerning safety matters such as
   excessive work hours or contract violations.
3. Coordinate accident/injury information from Compensation/Claims Unit.

F. Safety Officer’s expectations of Operations Section Chief
1. Maintain a close working relationship in development of tactics.
2. Understand of possible hazards.
3. Be flexible enough to change tactics that cannot be mitigated.
4. Provide information on unusual hazards occurring in field.
5. No surprises.

G. Safety Officer’s expectations of Planning Section Chief
1. Be included in strategy and tactics meetings.
2. Provide briefings on situation, critical/sensitive areas, resource types and status.
3. Be included in briefings.
4. Provide updates/feedback on safety responses.
5. Provide information on personnel/resources availability.

III. Information & Media Officer

A. Information & Media Officer’s expectations of IC
1. Approve press releases in a timely manner.
2. Cooperate with media requests.
3. Cooperate with public information meetings.
4. Provide direction on his/her media expectations.

B. Information & Media Officer’s expectations of Safety Officer
1. Summarize safety issues.
2. Provide a daily report of any accidents/injuries.

C. Information & Media Officer’s expectations of Liaison Officer
1. Identify key departments, their roles, and any issues.
2. Provide communications materials to cooperating and line departments as well
   as outside interested organizations, as appropriate.
3. Help with communication strategy.

Handout 2 – 1: Expectations of IRT Members
D. *Information & Media Officer’s expectations of Logistics Section Chief*
   1. Review Communication Plan.
   2. Provide transportation.
   3. Provide facilities and communication equipment for information office, both at ICP and other locales.

E. *Information & Media Officer’s expectations of Finance Section Chief*
   1. Provide current incident costs.

F. *Information & Media Officer’s expectations of Operations Section Chief*
   1. Provide information on resources, special activities, status of incident.
   2. Be open to allowing media access.

G. *Information & Media Officer’s expectations of Planning Section Chief*
   1. Summarize development of incident.
   2. Provide information on resource status.
   3. Help with communication strategy.

IV. **Liaison Officer**

A. *Liaison Officer’s expectations of Incident Commander*
   1. Advise and counsel on issues presented by assisting and cooperating departments.
   2. Provide overall mission and direction.
   3. Show willingness to engage with stakeholders when necessary.

B. *Liaison Officer’s expectations of Safety Officer*
   1. Provide advice on hazards and issues particularly affecting cooperating and line departments and organizations.
   2. Provide input on “safety readiness” of above.

C. *Liaison Officer’s expectations of Information & Media Officer*
   1. Mention cooperating and line departments and organization in press releases.
   2. Distribute information material so it can be given to above.

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D. **Liaison Officer’s expectations of Logistics Section Chief**
   1. Provide transportation, facilities, and communication equipment.
   2. Provide status of ordered resources.
   3. Provide medical status of any personnel injured or ill from cooperating and line departments.

E. **Liaison Officer’s expectations of Finance Section Chief**
   1. Report excessive hours.
   2. Report injuries and/or accidents to non-departmental personnel.
   3. Provide information on department specific pay-offs.

F. **Liaison Officer’s expectation of Operation Section Chief**
   1. Ensure safety and welfare of all personnel.
   2. Share information and rationale on use of other department personnel.
   3. Establish availability of special resources that may be available from cooperators for Operations utilization.

G. **Liaison Officer’s expectation of Planning Section Chief**
   1. Ensure that IAP accurately reflects all cooperating and line departments and organizations.
   2. Coordinate with status of above resources, e.g. planned demobilization.

V. **Planning Section Chief**

   A. **Planning Section Chief’s expectations of Incident Commander**
      1. Provide incident objectives.
      2. Provide Planning Meeting schedules/operational periods.
      3. Provide deadlines for IAP.
      4. Review and approve IAP.

   B. **Planning Section Chief’s expectations of Safety Officer**
      1. Participate in Strategy/Tactics Meetings and preparation of 015A.
      2. Continually update team on safety issues.
      3. Participate in IAP (Safety message and 004’s).
      4. Participate in Operational briefings.

   C. **Planning Section Chief’s expectations of Information & Media Officer**
      1. Provide times of press briefings.

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2. Coordinate with information on IRS Form 009.
3. Review information in press releases for accuracy.

D. **Planning Section Chief’s expectations of Liaison Officer**
   1. Review status of cooperating and assisting agency resources for accuracy.
   2. Provide information regarding any issues of above.

E. **Planning Section Chief’s expectations of Logistics Section Chief**
   1. Confirm status of all resource orders.
   2. Provide feedback on resource availability.
   3. Timely submit Communication, Medical, Facility and Transportation Plans.
   4. Provide adequate facilities and equipment for all Planning Units and preparation of the IAP.

F. **Planning Section Chief’s expectations of Finance Section Chief**
   1. Provide fiscal input to the Incident Action Plan.
   2. Provide daily cost estimates.
   3. Provide financial/cost benefit analysis information.

G. **Planning Section Chief’s expectations of Operations Section Chief**
   1. Provide strategy and tactics.
   2. Provide timely notification of resource needs.
   3. Provide necessary info for maps, etc.
   4. Provide information needed to complete 004s.
   5. Provide debriefing from field at end of shift.
   6. Be on time and prepared for meetings.

VI. **Logistics Section Chief**

A. **Logistics Section Chief’s expectations of Incident Commander**
   1. Provide priorities for ordering personnel, supplies, and equipment.
   2. Provide support for logistics activities.

B. **Logistics Section Chief’s expectations of Safety Officer**
   1. Coordinate/cooperate with Medical Unit.
   2. Provide notification of hazards in facilities, transportation, etc.
   3. Provide input to Medical Plan and medivac procedures.

**Handout 2 – 1: Expectations of IRT Members**

C. Logistics Section Chief’s expectations of Information & Media Officer
   1. Order communication and facility needs in a timely manner.

D. Logistics Section Chief’s expectations of Liaison Officer
   1. Communicate assisting/cooperating agency personnel special needs.
   2. Provide information as to ability of above to assist in Logistics.

E. Logistics Section Chief’s expectations of Finance Section Chief
   1. Provide written orders for resources or supplies.
   2. Provide close coordination between Supply Unit, Procurement Unit, Ground Support Unit, and Time Unit.
   3. Provide information of time and/or procurement problems.
   4. Provide cost saving information.

F. Logistics Section Chief’s expectations of Operations Section Chief
   1. Provide timely requests for all needs.
   2. Provide timely notification of demob, pre-advisement of resources that may come available for use by Logistics (e.g. heavy equipment).
   3. Provide coordination and information sharing up front.
   4. Show an understanding for impossible time requests.

G. Logistics Section Chief’s expectations of Planning Section Chief
   1. Timely ordering of resources.
   2. Close coordination on check in and demob of resources.
   3. Information sharing as to planned direction of incident.
   4. Accurate information as to number of resources on incident.

VII. Operations Section Chief

A. Operations Section Chief’s expectations of Incident Commander
   1. Supply Objectives.
   2. Point out any constraints on strategy/tactics. These may include environmental, political, financial.

B. Operations Section Chief’s expectations of Safety Officer
   1. Have a close working relationship in development of tactics.

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2. Provide notification of any hazards or safety problems.
3. Provide mitigations and ramifications for tactics.
4. Provide close scrutiny of operations in field.
5. Order enough resources to ensure safety in field.

C. Operations Section Chief’s expectations of Information & Media Officer
   1. Provide correct information to the public.
   2. Request permission to bring media out to incident (away from ICP).
   3. Ensure media are properly prepared (protective clothing, briefings) to go out to incident.

D. Operations Section Chief’s expectations of Liaison Officer
   1. Provide information on special circumstances of other departments employees.
   2. Coordination with other agency needs or problems and identification of resources available through cooperators.
   3. Be the point of contact for above.

E. Operations Section Chief’s expectations of Logistics Section Chief
   1. Provide adequate transportation.
   2. Provide adequate, high-quality food.
   3. Provide facilities for eating, sleeping, and OSC’s work.
   4. Provide needed equipment and supplies to perform work.
   5. Arrange for medical care and emergency transport and medical plan.
   6. Demonstrate flexibility in changing requests.

F. Operations Section Chief’s expectations of Finance Section Chief
   1. Provide efficient processing of time and pay documents so there is no interference with the IAP, or demobilization process.
   2. Report excessive work hours.
   3. Provide adequate commissary as necessary.
   4. Keep Operations informed of any fiscal constraints that may influence tactics.

G. Operations Section Chief’s expectations of Planning Section Chief
   1. Have a close working relationship in preparing the IAP.
   2. Provide resources requested.
   3. Provide input in strategy meeting.
   4. Provide complete, accurate IAP, including maps and all plans (with adequate numbers of copies).
   5. Provide concise, accurate briefings.
   6. Provide completed IRS Form 015s for Planning Meeting.

Handout 2 – 1: Expectations of IRT Members
A. **Finance Section Chief’s expectations of Incident Commander**
   1. Provide general advice and counsel.
   2. Provide financial and political constraints.
   3. Provide feedback on performance and evaluation.
   4. Provide approval of excess duty time.

B. **Finance Section Chief’s expectations of Safety Officer**
   1. Be an advisor.
   2. Provide information on accidents or injuries.
   3. Coordinate with Compensation/Claims Unit Leader.
   4. Ensure that all accident or injury reports are submitted to Finance in a timely manner.

C. **Finance Section Chief’s expectations of Information & Media Officer**
   1. Prepare initial information summary as soon as possible after arrival.
   2. Ensure incident personnel are kept up to date on news and incident information.
   3. Provide coordination in event of injury or death on incident.

D. **Finance Section Chief’s expectations of Liaison Officer**
   1. Provide a contact for assisting/cooperating departmental representatives.
   2. Provide a single contact for private organizations.
   3. Coordinate meetings to facilitate information exchange.

E. **Finance Section Chief’s expectations of Logistics Section Chief**
   1. Ensure that hired equipment time records up to date.
   2. Provide facilities for Finance Section.
   3. Coordinate between Supply Unit and Procurement Unit.
   4. Coordinate between Ground Support Unit and Procurement Unit.
   5. Coordinate between Medical Unit and Compensation/Claims Unit Leader.
   6. Provide property accountability.

F. **Finance Section Chief’s expectations of Operations Section Chief**
   1. Verify time worked by crews and equipment on incident.
   2. Conform to required work/rest cycles.
   3. Provide information on property damage or equipment loss or damage in order to start a potential claims file.
   4. Provide information on equipment on the incident, especially for the initial
operational periods.

G. **Finance Section Chief’s expectations of Planning Section Chief**

1. Provide up-to-date information on resources assigned to the incident.
3. Provide current information on the incident particularly including any planned releases.
4. Provide estimated containment and control times.
5. Provide close coordination with demobilization.

Handout 2 – 1: Expectations of IRT Members
Determining Department Fit on an Incident

Does Department/Jurisdiction have clear legal or jurisdictional responsibility to respond to this incident?

- **YES**
  - **Unified Command**
    - This Department must be in Unified Command. An IC must be assigned to the UC group for the duration of the required time that these requirements apply to this Department.
    - **YES**
      - **Indicators:**
        - If this were a smaller incident of the same type, would this department normally respond?
        - Would this department normally spend money to respond to some aspect of this incident?
        - Does this department have funds and/or resources to support participation in this response organization?
        - Is this incident within this agency’s direct response area?
        - Do other agencies in UC agree that this department meets the criteria for UC?
        NOTE: These questions are not absolutes, but are indicators. A YES answer to one or more is sign that the answer may be YES. Two or more yes answers are a very strong sign of a YES answer.

- **NOT SURE**

- **NO**
  - **Is this department providing resources to the incident, either in tactical or on-scene support (either by mutual aid or assistance by hire)?**
    - **YES**
    - **NO**
      - **Is this department providing services or activities in support of this incident other than tactical or non-scene support?**
        - **YES**
        - **NO**

**Line Department**
This is a Line Department and should consider assigning a departmental representative.

**Cooperating Department**
This is a cooperating department and should consider assigning a departmental representative

**This department may be a Stakeholder**

Handout 2 – 2: Determining Department Fit on an Incident
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FOR
THE LIAISON OFFICER’S KIT

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Handout 2 – 3: List of Contents for the Liaison Officer’s Kit
Unit 3: Departmental Representatives

PARTICIPANT GUIDE
Unit 3  Departmental Representatives

Objectives

By the end of this unit, participants will be able to:

- Understand the function of a Departmental Representative (Deptt. Rep.).
- Describe the duties and responsibilities of Deptt. Rep.

Time Plan

A suggested time plan for this unit is shown below. More or less time may be required, based on the experience level of the group.

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Unit Terminal Objective

- Understand the function of the Departmental Representative (Deptt. Rep.)

**Key Points**

**Unit Terminal Objective**

- Understand the function of a Departmental Representative (Deptt. Rep.)

**Unit Enabling Objective**

- Describe the duties and responsibilities of the Departmental Representative (Deptt. Rep.)
Deptt. Rep. Role

- Reports to own agency
  - Not in the Incident Chain of Command

- Gives reports to Liaison Officer, but is not supervised by the Liaison Officer

- Liaison Officer provides the key contact point

- Deptt. Rep. must know key duties of the Liaison Officer

Key Points

Deptt. Reps. are assigned, work for and report to their home agency. They are not part of the IMT or in the chain of command at the incident.

The reporting and working relationship between the Liaison Officer and Deptt. Reps. is unique in the IRS. The relationship is not a supervisor-subordinate role.

The relationship is designed to provide the Deptt. Rep. with a key contact person on the incident during the time the resources of that department are committed to the incident.
Unit 3  Departmental Representatives


Deptt. Rep. Duties

- Check-In
- Incident & Organization Assignment
- Obtain Initial Briefing
- Establish Work Location
- Attend Planning Meetings

Key Points

**Check-In**

All personnel, including Departmental Representatives, assigned to an incident must check in. This ensures that all resources that have been ordered (or have responded) are properly accounted for, directed to their proper assignment, and are supported while assigned to the incident.

This also assists the Liaison Officer in coordinating assisting and cooperating agency personnel assignments with the Resources Unit Leader.

The Deptt. Rep. is responsible for ensuring that all the resources from his/her department have checked in.

**Incident and Organization Assignment**

The Deptt. Rep. should have information regarding the assignment of their department’s resources. The Liaison Officer must determine on the initial contact what information gaps the Deptt. Rep. can fill. The Liaison Officer should have assignment information from the Incident Management Team’s initial briefing. The initial meeting with the Deptt. Rep. will set the tone of future relations between the Liaison Officer and the Deptt. Rep.
Unit 3  Departmental Representatives


*Obtain initial briefing*

On arrival, the Deptt. Rep. should have some information concerning the incident and the work assignments of their department’s resources, obtained from their agency when they were dispatched. All Deptt. Reps. should receive an initial briefing and be prepared to attend a Deptt. Rep. Briefing when all (or most) of the Deptt. Reps. arrive on the incident. The Liaison Officer will generally brief Deptt. Reps. as they arrive. The Liaison Officer may also schedule one briefing schedule for all DREPs, in which case he or she will provide the Deptt. Rep. Briefing time and place. This briefing may be in conjunction with other established meetings or operational briefings.

*Establish work location*

The Deptt. Rep. should be prepared to operate for their first 24 – 72 hours on an incident with limited support. The Liaison Officer will coordinate the assignment of work space to Deptt. Reps. The Deptt. Rep. should not become a burden to the Liaison Officer or the incident.

Be prepared to provide the Liaison Officer with a list of the items you need to support your agency on the incident; communications, dial up or wireless connectivity, office space etc.

*Attending Planning Meetings*

The Deptt. Rep. should expect to attend the scheduled and special Planning Meetings. The Deptt. Rep. is not expected to comment on incident strategy and tactics, except as it applies to their department’s resources. Your role is to make sure your department’s resources are being used appropriately in their current and planned assignments, and that the incident understands any limitations or restrictions your department’s resources may have.

Identifying potential resource/incident mismatches during the planning process will prevent wasting valuable time and energy during critical tactical operations.

At large or complex incidents the Deptt. Reps. may not be able to attend all planning meetings due to space limitations. The Deptt. Reps. should communicate with the Liaison Officer prior to the Planning Meeting to ensure that their department’s issues, needs etc. are met.

The Liaison Officer may invite specific Deptt. Reps. to Planning Meetings depending on the level of their department’s involvements in Operations.
Deptt. Rep. Duties (cont.)

- Resource use information
- Command and General Staff Interaction
- Safety & well-being of Deptt. personnel
- Maintain contact with Liaison Officer

Key Points

Resource use Information

The Deptt. Rep. may need to provide information on the capability and limitations of the resources their agency provided to the incident. You may need to provide technical information to the incident prior to the arrival of technical specialists from your agency.

The Deptt. Rep. should be prepared to provide special resource information on arrival at the incident. For instance, the Incident Management Team may not be familiar with the capability of all the equipment your agency provided.

The Deptt. Rep. should contact the lead person from their agency assigned to operations functions on arrival, and at any other time they have questions regarding special resources.
Unit 3  Departmental Representatives

**Topic**  Deptt. Rep. Duties (Cont.)

**Command and General Staff Interaction**

The Deptt. Rep. must understand the importance of their role in supporting the incident operations. While you are not a member of the Command Staff, the Incident Management Team members recognize the importance of your position.

You will have contact with the Command and General Staff on many occasions during your assignment; use caution not to abuse that contact. If you have questions regarding some aspect of the operation, coordinate answers through the Liaison Officer.

If a member of the Command or General Staff asks you questions concerning your agency’s resources or operational capability be sure to inform the Liaison Officer of those conversations.

**Safety and well-being of department personnel**

You represent all of the personnel on the incident controlled by your agency. You need to establish lines of communication with the supervisors assigned to the incident. They must know where to find you at all times, and how to contact you in an emergency.

Make your daily schedule known to your agency personnel.

**Maintain contact with the Liaison Officer**

All Deptt. Reps. should have both the Liaison Officer and the incident meeting and briefing schedules. You will want to keep the Liaison Officer informed of any issues that have, or may, impact your personnel. In an emergency, you can contact the Liaison Officer by contacting the Communications Unit.
Deptt. Rep. Duties (cont.)

- Special Reports or documentations
- Maintaining contact with your department
- Resource accountability and documentation
- Incident DEMOB and debriefing

Key Points

**Special reports or documentation**

The Deptt. Rep. will maintain an IRS Form 003 - Unit Log and any other special reports of documentation required by your agency. You must also ensure that the personnel you are representing are aware of special reports or documentation your agency requires.

In some cases, you may be responsible for the routine reports to your agency. If any agency resources are involved in “an incident within an incident”, such as a vehicle accident, death, or serious injury to personnel, you will be expected to take the lead for the coordination between the incident and your agency.

**Maintaining contact with your agency**

Most agencies have pre-established ground rules for Deptt. Reps. On most incidents, contact is made not less than once every operational period, or at a minimum of once a day. Your agency may require a more frequent contact schedule. You are the conduit of information between your agency and your agency personnel assigned to the incident.

Provide your agency with your contact information at the incident and the incident meeting schedules and work out a standard reporting process.
**Resource accountability and documentation**

One of the most important tasks the Deptt. Rep. performs is to make sure that all agency resources assigned to the incident are properly used and accounted for. All agency personnel must understand that the Deptt. Rep. is their primary point of contact. The supervisors or contractors may be required to report to their management on a regular basis, but that does not relieve them of the responsibility to keep the Deptt. Rep. informed.

No resources are to leave the incident without your knowledge and approval. This ensures that the personnel and equipment are properly accounted for, and they have completed all agency and incident documentation required.

**Incident demobilization and debriefing**

Prior to leaving the incident the Deptt. Rep. makes contact with the Liaison Officer or the Incident Commander to debrief the incident. This is a two-way process. First you will report your agencies level of commitment, if any, and any special instructions you provided to your agency personnel. Second, you will obtain a report from the incident on how well your agency personnel performed on the incident.

This is the time to discuss any issues you or your agency may have with the incident or that they may have with you or your agency.
Unit 3  Departmental Representatives

**Topic**  Objective Review

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**Objective Review**

- What are the duties and responsibilities of the Departmental Representatives?

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**Key Points**

**Unit Terminal Objective**

Understand the function of the Departmental Representative (Deptt. Rep.)

**Unit Enabling Objective**

Describe the duties and responsibilities of the Departmental Representative (Deptt. Rep.)
Unit 4  Stakeholders

Objectives

By the end of this unit, participants will be able to:

• Understand the roles and responsibilities of the Liaison Officer regarding stakeholders, and evaluate Liaison Officer success.

• Define Stakeholders.

• Describe the difference between the job functions of Liaison Officer and Public Information Officer.

• Identify, categorize and prioritize stakeholders.

• Discuss the importance of measuring Liaison Officer success with stakeholders.

Time Plan

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Topic  Unit Terminal Objective

Unit Terminal Objective

- Understand the roles and responsibilities of the Liaison Officer regarding stakeholders, and evaluate Liaison Officer success.

Key Points

Unit Terminal Objective

Understand the role and responsibilities of the Liaison Officer regarding stakeholders, and evaluate Liaison Officer success.

Unit Enabling Objective

- Define stakeholders
- Describe the differences between the job functions of Liaison Officer and Information & Media Officer (IMO)
- Identify, categorize and prioritize stakeholders
- Discuss the important of measuring Liaison Officer success with stakeholders
Discussion

- Defining Stakeholders

Key Points

Create a definition for “Stakeholders.”
Stakeholders

- Defined: “A person, group or organization affected by or having a vested interest in the incident (i.e. shop keepers, landowners, local business community, local elected representatives, etc.)”

Key Points

The definition of “Stakeholders”: A person, group, or organization affected by or having a vested interest in the incident (i.e. shop owners, landowners, investigators, environmental trustees, etc.)
The Team

- The Liaison Officer and Information & Media Officer both work for and represent the IC, so they must coordinate with each other to represent the incident accurately.

Key Points

The Liaison Officer and Information & Media Officer both work for and represent the IC, so they must coordinate each other to represent the incident accurately.
Topic Discussion

Discussion

- Liaison Officer and Information & Media Officer Job functions.

Key Points

Refer to Handout 4 – 1: LO vs IMO to compare and contrast the job functions of the Liaison Officer and the Information & Media Officer regarding stakeholders.
**Major Tasks of the LO Regarding Stakeholders**

- Identify
- Categorize
- Prioritize

**Key Points**

Major tasks for the Liaison Officer include:

- Identify
- Categorize
- Prioritize
Unit 4  Stakeholders

**Topic**  Identify and Profile Stakeholders

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### Identify and Categorize Stakeholders

Sources to help identify stakeholders:
- The IC/UC
- Other IRT personnel
- I&MO or Joint Information Center (JIC)
- Deptt. /Agency Executives
- Local Sources (i.e. Public Officials)
- Others

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### Key Points

**Identify and Categorize Stakeholders**

**Identify:**

- Sources to help identify the appropriate or potential stakeholder groups are:
  - The Incident Commander and Unified Incident Commander.
  - Other members of the response organization, particularly local personnel/Area Command members.
  - Information & Media Officer or Joint Information Center (JIC)
  - Department’s Administrator/Executives.
  - Local sources (i.e. Public Officials).

Depending on the size and impact of an incident, the Liaison Officer could be faced with the job of communicating with large quantities of stakeholders.
How to Categorize

Categorization should describe:
- Nature of the members in the Stakeholder group
- Whom they trust & go to for information
- What they believe
  - Prevailing attitudes
  - Knowledge
  - Perception
- What concerns motivate their actions

Key Points

Categorize:

- Categorizing stakeholders is performed in order to gain information on stakeholders’ concerns and perceptions at the time of the incident.
- Nature of the members in the Stakeholders group.
- Whom they trust & go to for information.
- What they believe
- Prevailing Attitudes
- Knowledge
- Perception

What concerns and worries motivate their actions?
Unit 4  Stakeholders

Topic  Prioritizing Stakeholders

Prioritizing Stakeholders

Stakeholder Examples:
• Inner Circle – Elected Officials
• Middle Circle – Homeowners, Local Merchants
• Outer Circle – General Public

Key Points

The number of stakeholders that have potential involvement in any type incident can be phenomenal. The Liaison Officer must, using information from the stakeholders profile, determine how to most effectively and efficiently attend to the identified stakeholders.

Inner Circle
• Those directly affected, who have the responsibility, authority and/or power to influence decisions made by responders.
• Those likely to be affected, who have power to influence decisions made by responders.
• Because of their level of influence, elected officials can sometimes invite others into the inner circle.

Middle Circle
• Those directly affected, but who do not have the responsibility, authority, and/or power to influence decisions made by responders.
• Those indirectly affected who have strong influence over agency policy makers and elected officials.

Outer Circle
Those indirectly affected who do not have a strong influence over department policy makers and elected officials.


**Key Points**

**Inner Circle**

- Schedule meetings
- Chaired or facilitated workgroups
- Unscheduled meetings
- Focus Groups
**Forums**

Middle Circle
- Example: Homeowners, Local merchants

**Key Points**

**Middle Circle**
- Interviews
- Focus Groups
- Public Meetings
- Conferences
- Workshops
- Roundtables
**Unit 4  Stakeholders**

**Topic** Forums (Cont.)

**Key Points**

* **Outer Circle**
  
  - Public meetings
    
    - Public Meetings are normally conducted by the Information & Media Officer
    
    - Public Meetings are better for providing information to an audience, rather than for receiving input from the audience.
    
    - Stakeholders may be present.
  
  - However, some members of the general public are stakeholders as well.
Topic  Exercise 2

Key Points

In the Train Derailment Incident, which stakeholders would fall into the Inner, Middle and Outer Circles?
IRT Planning Process

Communicating Stakeholder Issues

- The Liaison Officer must keep the IRT informed on the importance of the stakeholders’ critical issues during the planning process. This is a must-do task.

Key Points

Communicate with IC/UC and develop stakeholder liaison strategies.

The IC/UC needs to know the stakeholder situation and will be the final authority on determining how various stakeholders will be handled. It is imperative that the IC/UC be willing to incorporate stakeholder concerns into their decision-making process prior to the Liaison Officer convening a forum for this purpose.

There is risk that if stakeholder concerns are not addressed, they will go to the press themselves.

The following should be considered when determining strategies:

- Purpose and desired outcome
- Timeline
- Best entity to convene
- Invitees
- Best forum
Unit 4  Stakeholders

Topic  Strategies for Handling Stakeholder Concerns

Strategies for Handling Stakeholder Concerns

- Some stakeholders want specific information
- Other stakeholders will be satisfied with periodic updates.

Key Points

Provide specific information:

- Some interested stakeholders will need more specific information to satisfy their concerns. Sometimes these stakeholders can be satisfied through education and do not need to be involved in the decision-making aspects of the response.

- In this case, prudent steps would be to:
  
  o Develop specific fact sheets or key messages to address stakeholders concerns. Check with IO/JIC for assistant in this area.
  
  o Transmit the information with face-to-face contact or use of a public meeting forum. Remember that public meetings are usually better for providing information to an audience rather than receiving input from the audience.
  
  o Evaluate the effectiveness of this communication method to determine if changes are necessary.
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- Provide an interactive forum for dialogue with stakeholders.
  - These forums are designed to gather stakeholder input and provide influence into the response process.

- Some interested stakeholders would be satisfied simply to receive incident/response activity updates periodically. For these stakeholders, a prudent course of action is to:
  - Establish a schedule to periodically transmit incident updates from IO/JIC to these stakeholders; and
  - Evaluate the effectiveness of this communication method to determine if changes are necessary.
  - Evaluate effectiveness to determine stakeholders satisfaction and whether communication method changes are necessary. Refer to the JIC Manual, Community Feedback Supplement for evaluation tool.

  - In this case, the process would be conduct an advisory process to gather input. This could be anything from a suggestion box to an “open house” type meeting.
Unit 4  Stakeholders

**Topic**  Mutual Gains

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**Mutual Gains**

- How can we obtain mutual gains between response organizations and stakeholders?

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**Key Points**

How can we obtain mutual gains between response organizations and stakeholders?

In our efforts to obtain mutual gains, our goals are to:

- Acknowledge legitimacy of others’ concerns.
- Accept responsibility, as appropriate
- Demonstrate trust/credibility
- Seek long term relationships
- Develop information jointly
- Share information easily and often
- Establish an open communication process
Topic  Measuring Success

Key Points

The Liaison Officer needs to identify stakeholder perception regarding how they are being handled by the Liaison Officer/organization i.e. are they satisfied?

This is important feedback that might alter the method the Liaison Officer chooses in order to interact with the stakeholders and better meet their needs.

- Ultimately, it will increase the chances of a favorable outcome in the stakeholder critical success factor for response measurement.

- The Liaison Officer must continually evaluate the effectiveness of the dialogue and communication with stakeholders.
Methods of Measuring Success

- Informal Evaluation
- Consultations
- Surveys
- Interviews

Key Points

Methods of measuring success are:

- Informal Evaluation
- Consultations
- Surveys
- Interviews
**Unit 4  Stakeholders**

**Topic**  Objective Review

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**Objectives Review**

- What is a Stakeholder?
- What are the differences between the job functions of Liaison Officer and Information & Media Officer (IMO)?
- How does the Liaison Officer identify, Categorize, and prioritize Stakeholders?
- Why is it important to measure success with stakeholders?

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**Key Points**

**Unit Terminal Objective**

- Understand the roles and responsibilities of the Liaison Officer regarding stakeholders, and evaluate Liaison Officer success.

**Unit Enabling Objectives**

- Define stakeholders
- Describe the differences between the job function of Liaison Officer and Information & Media Officer (IMO)
- Identify, profile, and prioritize stakeholders
- Discuss the importance of measuring Liaison Officer success with stakeholders.
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Prioritizing Stakeholders
Exercise 2 Overview
Unit 4

Purpose
The purpose of this exercise is to provide participants with an opportunity to discuss prioritizing their interactions with stakeholders.

Objectives
Participants will:
• Identify examples of stakeholders that would fit into the Inner, Middle and Outer Circle categories during a train derailment incident.

Exercise Structure
This exercise is scheduled to last approximately 15 minutes, including small group discussion and presentation of each group’s answer. Instructor will introduce the exercise and give participants a few minutes to review the scenario. Participants will form small groups and list the stakeholders that would fit into the Inner, Middle and Outer Circle categories. Each group will present their finding to the rest of the group.

Rules, Roles, and Responsibilities
Following are the specific activities/instructions for your participation in the exercise:
1. Read the scenario on the following page.
2. Within your work group, select a group spokesperson.
3. Create a list of stakeholders that would fit into the Inner, Middle and Outer Circle categories during a Train Derailment Incident.
4. Write your answers to the questions on easel pad paper.
5. Present your group’s approach to the fill class.
Facilitators moderate discussions, answer questions, and provide additional information as required.

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Scenario

In the early morning today a freight train derailed and rolled down an embankment along the Gomti River. Parts of the front of the train lay on its side in the river and along the steeply sloping river bank. The train consisted of 4 diesel locomotive, 23 tank cars (pressurized and non-pressurized), 12 hopper cars, and 2 cryogenic liquid tank cars containing liquid oxygen (LOX). Initial assessment indicates that several of the pressurized tank cars containing chlorine and anhydrous ammonia have ruptured. Two of the LPG tank cars exploded on impact during the derailment, causing a fire. The hopper cars containing ammonium nitrate lie on their sides, and the contents have spilled onto the banks of the river. The locomotive diesel tanks have ruptured, spilling diesel into the river. The cryogenic tank cars appear to be intact; however, several of the non-pressurized tank cars have released an unknown quantity of crude sulfate turpentine into the river.

The Engineer driving the train managed to get to the river bank and is being treated at nearest Government Hospital for serious injuries sustained in the derailment. The City Police Department cars are on both sides of the river at the derailment. Their police radio picks up a report of a chlorine gas cloud forming immediately downstream from the leaking rail cars. This report was picked up by several citizens who contacted the local news stations in the City. Reporters from the major local TV, radio and newspaper newspaper news bureaus are on the way to the incident. One of the TV news crew is already shooting pictures. The local TV reporter is asking to do an interview for their evening news, and other reports are lining up for interviews as well.

There is uncertainty about whom or which agency is in charge of the incident. The neighborhoods immediately adjacent to the spill on both sides of the river are being evacuated due to the danger posed by the chlorine gas. The area about 200 yards from the derailment has been cordoned off. Hazmat crews and rail crews are busying containing the spill and bringing in equipment to remove the derailed cars. District Collector has issued an evacuation order for residents in the surrounding area, and is requesting assistance from the state. The Red Cross is establishing an evacuation center in a Government School in the City.

There are rumors that hundreds of salmon, an endangered species have been killed in the river. The I&FC Department, State Department of Natural Resources have issued an advisory and closed the river to fishing, recreation and other uses of 25 Kms down river from the rail bridge site.

The Health Authorities in the city are reporting numerous incidents of burning eyes and lungs. The City hospital has exceeded its capability to staff the emergency room. There are numerous water intakes along with stretch of the Gomti River.

The city in the state of Madhya Pradesh is the largest city in the State and has the largest and densest population center in the State of Madhya Pradesh. The population of city is approximately 11,49,000. The city serves as a major transportation hub within the state: commercial river traffic, rail, air and interstate.
### Liaison Officer / Public Information Officer

**Areas of responsibility & cooperation – Sample responses from a previous course**

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Unit 5: Incident Communications And Work Location

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Unit 5  Incident Communications and Work Location

Objectives
By the end of this unit, participants will be able to:

- Identify types of communication and work location needs for a given incident.

- Given an incident assignment, identify and list the means and types of communications that are used to keep agency and incident personnel informed.

- Identify and list the requirements for a Liaison Officer work location.

Methodology
This unit uses lecture and discussion.

Content from this unit will be generally tested through discussion and the final exam, as the unit is meant to serve as an overview of the Liaison Officer’s role and responsibilities regarding incident communications and work location. Specific responsibilities and duties of the position will be further covered and evaluated in-depth in subsequent unit presentations and the final exam.

The purpose of this exercise is to provide participants with an opportunity to discuss methods for On- Incident and Off-incident Communications with Departmental Representatives (Deptt. Reps.).
Time Plan

A suggested time plan for this unit is shown below. More or less time may be required based on the experience level of the group.

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Reference Materials

- Projector & other equipment as necessary for Power Point Presentation
- Easel Pads
- Marking Pens
- A blank IRS Form 011
- Blank IRS Form 014s for the entire class
- Field Operations Guide (if applicable).
Unit 5  Incident Communications and Work Location

Topic  Unit Title Slide

Key Points
Unit Terminal Objective

- Identify types of communication and work location needs for a given incident

Key Points

**Unit Terminal Objective**

Identify types of communication and work location needs for a given incident

**Unit Enabling Objective**

- Given an incident assignment, identify and list the means and types of communications that are used to keep agency and incident personnel informed.

- Identify and list the requirements for a Liaison Officer work location
Communication Challenges

- In a large incident the Deptt. Rep. / Agency Rep. are constantly moving:
  - ICP
  - Visiting Department resources
  - Lodging
  - Home Office
- Liaison Officer may have similar changes in location

Key Points

In a large incident Deptt. Reps./Agency Rep. are constantly moving:

- Incident Command Post (ICP)
- Visiting Department Resources
- Lodging
- Home Office

Liaison Officer may have similar changes in location.
Discussion

“On-_incident” and “Off-incident” Communications

Key Points

Communication Priorities

- Liaison Officers need to establish communication priorities
- Example priority types:
  - Line Departments
    - Departments/Agencies with the largest number of resources
    - Departments/Agencies with more critical resources
  - Cooperating Departments
    - Red Cross
    - NGOs

Key Points

Liaison Officers need to establish communications priorities. Example of priority types include:

- Line Departments, such as departments with the largest number of resources, or more critical resources i.e. Police, Health, Municipality, PWD

- Cooperating departments such as Red Cross, NGOs, RWAs etc.
Topic  Work Location

Work Location

- Where to be located:
  - At or near the Incident Command Post (ICP)
  - Near the Incident Commander, if possible

Key Points

Where to be Located

- The Liaison Officer is physically located at the Incident Command Post (ICP)
- Near the Incident Commander, if possible
Liaison Officer and Information & Media Officer can use work location to protect access to the Incident Command. Liaison Officer can also protect the feelings of the person who wants access to the Incident Command by:

- Offering email instead
- Inviting the person to a briefing
Work Location (cont.)

- Things to do:
  - Advice the Communications Unit where you are located
  - Use bulletin boards, if possible
  - Put up signs

Key Points

**Things to Do**

- Advise the Communications Unit where you are located
- Use bulletin boards
- Put up signs
Work Location (cont.)

- Things to have:
  - Adequate number of potential assistants
  - Space for Deptt. Rep. workspace and briefing area
  - Adequate communications capability
  - Weather and Basic comforts

Key Points

**Things to Have**

- Number of potential assistants
- Number of potential Deptt. Reps., such as Deptt. Rep. workspace and briefing area
- Adequate communications capability
- Weather and creature comforts

Coordinate with Logistics Section for additional personnel, space, equipment, supplies etc.
Check-In Locations

- EOC
- Incident Command Post
- Staging Areas
- Base
- Camps
- Helibases
- At a Division/Group

Key Points

Review locations on the incident where Check-in can occur, if necessary, and how that may affect your operation:

- EOC
- Incident Command Post
- Staging Areas
- Base
- Camps
- Helibases
- At a Division/Group
**Topic**

Objective Review

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**Objectives Review**

- Given an incident assignment, what are the types and means of communication that are used to keep department and incident personnel informed?

- What are the requirements for a Liaison Officer work location?

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**Key Points**

**Unit Terminal Objective**

Identify types of communication and work location needs for a given incident

**Unit Enabling Objectives**

- Given an incident assignment, identify and list the means and types of communications that are used to keep department and incident personnel informed.

- Identify and list the requirements for a Liaison Officer work location.
Unit 6: Information Flow and Use of Assistants

PARTICIPANT GUIDE
Objectives

By the end of this unit, participants will be able to:

- Understand the process and relevant parties involved in incident information flow, including the role of Assistant Liaison Officers.
- Know how to obtain status and information about assisting and cooperating departments.
- Know what information the Liaison Officer is required to obtain from participating departments.
- Know what information Liaison Officer should provide to the Deptt. Rep.
- Know what information the Liaison Officer should provide to other IRT members.
- Know what information the Liaison Officer needs to provide for the Incident Status Report.
- List the conditions that indicate additional staffing is needed.

Time Plan

A suggested time plan for this unit is shown below. More or less time may be required, based on the experience level of the group.

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Unit 6  Information Flow and Use of Assistants

Key Points
Unit Terminal Objective

- Describe the process and relevant parties involved in Incident Information Flow, including the role of Assistant Liaison Officers.

Key Points

Unit Terminal Objective

Describe the process and relevant parties involved in incident information flow, including the role of Assistant Liaison Officers

Unit Enabling Objective

- Describe how to obtain status and information about assisting and cooperating departments.
- Describe what information the Liaison Officer is required to obtain from participating departments.
- Describe what information Liaison Officer should provide to the Deptt. Rep.
- Describe how to identify and list the information needed from Deptt. Reps. for the Incident Planning Meeting.
- Describe what information the Liaison Officer needs to provide for the Incident Status Report.
Identify and Gather Involved Department Information

Obtain a briefing from the IC or Department:

- Information Briefing
- Formal Briefing

Handout 6 – 1: Essential Elements from the Department Official Briefing

Key Points

Obtain briefing (From IC or Lead Department)

Refer to Handout 6 – 1: Essential Elements from and Department Official Briefing

- Upon arrival at an incident, the Liaison Officer must be prepared to assist the team by gathering information and intelligence concerning the agencies currently operating on the incident, and the departments that have been ordered.

- Review the basic elements for briefings and explain how the Initial Incident Commander or other first responders should be prepared to brief at IRT.
**Key Points**

Refer to Handout 6 – 2: Completed IRS Form 001

The IRS Form 001 – Incident Briefing contains:

- Incident Map
- Summary of Current Actions
- Current Organization
- Resources Summary
IRS Form 001 (cont.)

Handout 6 – 2: Completed IRS Form 001

Key Points

IRS Form 001:

- IRS Form 005 – Organization Assignment List or Page 3 of IRS Form 001. This information may have to be obtained verbally from the Initial Incident Commander, or other command and general staff personnel on the incident. (Review IRS Form 005)

- An initial Incident Action Plan may consist of a hand written combination of IRS Form 001, 005 and 004s (Assignment Sheet), and other hand-drawn maps and notes.
**Unit 6**  
Information Flow and Use of Assistants

**Topic**  
Incident Action Plan (IAP)

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**Incident Action Plan (IAP)**

*Handout 6 – 3: Sample IAP*

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**Key Points**

Prepare to review Handout 6 – 3: Sample IAP, **IRS Form 003 and 004**
Unit 6  Information Flow and Use of Assistants

**Topic**  Other Sources of Information

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**Other Sources of Information**

- Contact Department Personnel On-Scene
- EOC
- Nearest Department Office
- What if there is no Deptt. Rep./Agency Rep. assigned?

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**Key Points**

**Contact Personnel Currently On-Scene**

If there is no Tactical Work Sheet, IRS Form 001 or an IAP, the Liaison Officer may have to quickly make personal contacts with the resources or Deptt. Reps. to identify the required information.

**Emergency Operations Centers**

EOCs can be valuable source of information on other departments unit someone from the department can be contacted.

**Nearest Department Office**

There may be times when a Liaison Officer must contact the Line or Cooperating Department office to get information on resources that they have assigned to the incident.
Discussion

- Collecting Information from Deptt. Rep./Agency Rep.s

Key Points

Follow the instructions from the instructors for discussion on collecting information from Deptt. Rep./Agency Reps.
**Department Information Deptt. Rep./Agency Rep. Provides**

- Required to safely, effectively and efficiently use departmental / agency resources
- Liaison Officer coordinates the information flow
- Deptt. Rep./Agency Rep. may work closely with either the IRT or Liaison Officer depending on style of IRT

**Key Points**

There is certain information that the IRT needs to collect to effectively, safely and efficiently use assisting and cooperating agencies. The Liaison Officer plays the role of coordinator and conduit for this information.

In some IRTs the Deptt. Reps./Agency Reps. work closely with the IRT members to exchange this information. Others depend on the Liaison Officer to gather and share this information with the IRT.

Regardless of the preference, the same information must be collected from the Line and cooperating departments.
Information the LO Must Provide to the Deptt. Rep./Agency Rep.

- Special instructions from the IC
- Information obtained at initial briefings
- Copy of the Incident Action Plan (IAP)
- Assignment of Department resources

Key Points

The Liaison Officer must provide to the Deptt. Rep./Agency Rep. the following information:

- Special Instructions from the Incident Commander.
- Information obtained by the Liaison Officer at a team briefing or at the initial briefing that may affect specific departments.
- A copy of the Incident Action Plan
  - The current incident management personnel should have the latest Incident Action Plan for your on arrival. If the Incident is in the first operational period an Incident Action Plan may not be available.
- Assignments of Department resources.
Information the LO Must Provide to the Deptt. Rep./Agency Rep. (Cont.)

- Your contact information
- IRT roster and contact information
- Future needs of Department resources

Key Points

- Provide a point of contact for your
- Incident Response Team Roster, if not in IAP
- Any known information on future needs of department resources.
Exercise 3

- Information Flow From the Liaison Officer to the Deptt. Rep./Agency Rep.

Key Points

Based on the scenario, identify the information the Liaison Officer needs to provide to the Deptt. Rep./Agency Rep. of a Line Department.
Information Sharing Among the IRT

Personnel capability and restrictions of the department
- Equipment type and kind – Limitations
- Crew replacement – “Timed out”
- Agency restrictions – Local government
- Psychological impact on personnel
- Other

Key Points

Personnel capability and restrictions
- Equipment type and kind – limitations
- Crew replacement – “timed out”
- Agency restrictions – local government
- Psychological impact on personnel
- Other

This information sharing can bring out information that can only be obtained from the Deptt. Rep./Agency Rep.
Topic  
Incident Situation Reporting

Incident Situation Reporting

- Department specific Situation Report
- IRS Form 002 – Incident Status Summary
- Other

Key Points

No matter what the incident type or the agencies involved, large incidents use some type of reporting system to keep up-to-date reports

- Department Specific
- Incident Status Summary
- Other
Internal and External Documents

Used for:
- Headquarters Briefings
- Department Briefings
- Media
- Public

Key Points

Internal and External documents are used for:

- Headquarters Briefings
- Department Briefings
- Media
- Public
Assistant Liaison Officer

Assign work duties as needed:
- Consider the use of other involved agencies
- Span-of-Control
- Organize Information Flow
- Split Workload
- Manage Work Area

Key Points

Assign work duties as needed, considering the use of other involved departments:
- Span of Control
- Organize Information Flow
- Split Workload
- Manage Work Area
Topic  Sample Liaison Officer Organization Chart

Key Points

This chart would be adapted based on incident workload and needs.
Exercise 4

- Workload Indicators and Use of Assistants

Key Points

List workload indicators that may require establishing Assistant Liaison Officer positions.
Objectives Review

- How can the Liaison Officer obtain status and information about Line and Cooperating Departments?

- What information must the Liaison Officer obtain from participating departments

- What information should the Liaison Officer provide to the Deptt. Rep./Agency Rep.?

Key Points

Unit Terminal Objective

Understand the process and relevant parties involved in incident information flow, including the role of Assistant Liaison Officer

Unit Enabling Objectives

- Know how to obtain status and information about line and cooperating departments

- Know what information the Liaison Officer is required to obtain from participating departments.

- Know what information the Liaison Officer should provide to the Deptt. Rep./Agency Rep.
Objectives Review (cont.)

- What information should be Liaison Officer provide to other IRT members?
- What information does the Liaison Officer need to provide for the Incident Status Report?

Key Points

Unit Enabling Objectives (cont.)

- Know what information the Liaison Officer should provide to other IRT members
- Know what information the Liaison Officer needs to provide for the Incident Status Report
ALL HAZARDS LIAISON OFFICER

Exercise 3 Overview
Unit 6

Purpose
The purpose of this exercise is to provide participants with an opportunity to discuss the information that the LO should provide to the Deprit. Rep./Agency Rep. from the Line Departments.

Objectives
Participants will:
• Be able to identify what information they need to provide the Deprit. Rep./Agency Rep. of the Line Department.

Exercise Structure
This exercise is scheduled to last approximately 20 minutes, including small group discussions and presentation of each group’s approach and answers. Participants will read the situation, discuss and answer the question as a group, and document on an easel pad their answers. Groups will then present their approach to the full class and discuss.

Rules, Roles, and Responsibilities
Participants will be divided into small groups.
Following are the specific activities/instructions for your participation in the exercise:
  1. Within your work group, select a group spokesperson.
  2. Review the information provided and assigned by the instructors. Given the information in the situation, answer the question to the best of your ability.
  3. Write your answers to the questions on easel pad paper.
  4. Present your group’s approach to the full class.
Facilitators moderate discussions, answer questions, and provide additional information as required.

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Exercise 3 Questions

It is 1900 and the crowd from a One Day International Cricket Match is leaving the stadium. An anonymous call has been received claiming that some type of bomb has been planted in the stadium and that “thousands will die.”

You are the Liaison Officer assigned to the incident, and you have been on the scene. You have received a briefing from the IC. He indicated that you should be prepared to deal with a large number of additional Central, State, and Local Department Representatives (Deptt. Reps./Agency Reps.). A few personnel from your department are available on scene. The IC wants you to hold a Department Representatives Meeting in one hour.

- Given this incident, what information do you as the Liaison Officer need to provide to the DREPs of Line Departments?
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Workload Indicators and the Use of Assistants
Exercise 4 Overview
Unit 6

Purpose
The purpose of this exercise is to provide participants with an opportunity to think about the workload indicators that may require establishing Assistant LO positions.

Objectives
Participants will:
• Identify the workload indicators of a given incident scenario
• Determine if assistant LOs are needed, and if so, how many

Exercise Structure
This exercise is scheduled to last approximately 20 minutes. As a large group, participants will review a given incident scenario with defined stakeholders. Participants will then divide into small groups and identify the workload of the incident, and determine whether or not it is necessary to establish Assistant LO positions. If they determine that Assistant LOs are necessary, they will also determine how many are needed. Each group will present their list to the rest of the class.

Rules, Roles, and Responsibilities
Following are the specific activities/instructions for your participation in the exercise:
1. Within your work group, select a group spokesperson.
2. Review the information provided and assigned by the instructors. Given the information in the situation, answer the question to the best of your ability.
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Facilitators moderate discussions, answer questions, and provide additional information as required.

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Essential Elements from an Agency Administrator’s Briefing

The Incident Response System (IRS) uses the term “Response Officer” (RO) as a generic title for the Chief Executive Officer (or designee) who is responsible for that department’s response to an emergency. This title is used temporarily, regardless of that person’s normal position title. Another term used for this position is “Department Official”, but it is not a standard IRS title.

A Responsible Officer’s (RO’s) Briefing is used when an incident exceeds the capability of the agency’s normal response organization and an IRT is being assigned. Along with a Delegation of Authority, the RO Briefing is used to convey critical information that the IRT needs to safely and efficiently assume command of the incident and achieve the management goals and objectives of the Responsible Officer.

There may be a large amount of information provided during the RO’s briefing that must be sorted, analyzed, prioritized and shared among IRT members. Successful IRTs have developed effective methods of accomplishing this process. Of course, good listening skills are required, but the IRT must also be able to work together to insure that critical intelligence is shared. Sometimes the RO allows time for questions, but not always.

The IRT should conduct a quick, internal Strategy Meeting immediately following the RO briefing. During this meeting the IRT shares the important issues that each member gathered during RO Briefing or may have obtained from other sources up to that point in time. The IC may issue interim direction to the IRT while the Incident Objectives are being established.

Each IRT member must effectively glean the information required for that person’s functional area as well as issues that span more than one function. Not everyone will “hear the same thing” even though they are listening to the same briefing. The following are some examples of such information:

- Issues concerns and/or tasks that affect your functional area.
- Issues concerns and/or tasks that are discussed within your functional area, but are important to another function. You must make sure that function is aware of the issue.
- Issues concerns and/or tasks that are discussed about another functional area, but have a significant impact on your activities or requirements. You must insure that team member is aware of the impact on your function.
- Issues concerns and/or tasks that may be important when developing Incident Objectives, Strategy, or Tactics.
- Constraints, legal issues, opportunities or problem areas that others may not have heard.
- Issues concerns and/or tasks that are unclear and will need follow-up or clarification in order to effectively accomplish the task or deal with the issue.
## SAMPLE 2 – Responsible Officer’s Briefing Checklist

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| Provide Incident Information Updates to: |  |
| Unit Staff Officers: | Expanded Dispatch: |
| Local Public Affairs: | Other: |

| Safety Information |  |
| Accident and Injuries to Date: |  |
| Condition of Local Personnel: |  |
| Known Hazards: |  |
| Injury and Accident Reporting Procedures: |  |
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## SAMPLE 2 – Responsible Officer’s Briefing Checklist

### Operation Section

**Priorities For Control, Incident Strategic Analysis Approved:**

**Current Tactics:**

**Incident Accessibility by Engines and Ground Support:**

### Air Operations:

**Air Tactical Group Supervisor:**

**Fixed Wing Aircraft Assigned**

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## Logistics Section

### Facilities Unit:

ICP/Base Pre-Plans:  
- Yes [ ]  
- No [ ]

ICP/Base Location:

Bathing Facilities:

Security Considerations:

Incident Recycling:

### Food Unit:

Catering Service/Meals Provided:

Estimate Number for the first three meals:

Time of First Meal:

### Supply Unit:

Duty Officer or Coordinator Telephone Number:

Expanded Dispatch Organization:

Supply System to be Used (Local Supply Cache):

Single Point Ordering:
### Logistics Section (Continued)

#### Communications Unit:

Communications System(s):

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#### Ground Support Unit:

Route to ICP/Base:

Route from ICP/Base to Incident:

#### Medical Unit:

Nearest Hospital or Desired Hospital:

Nearest Burn Center, Trauma Center:

Nearest Air Ambulance:
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## Finance/Administration Section (continued)

### Procurement Unit:

- Buying Team in Place or Ordered:

- Purchasing Officer Assigned:

- Copy of Local Service and Supply Plan Provided:

- Is All Equipment Inspected and Under Agreement?

### Compensation/Claims Unit:

- Potential Claims:

- Status of Claims/Accident Reports:

### Time Unit:

- Payroll Procedure Established for Time and Attendance Transmittal:
Incident Briefing Package Checklist

Report of Incident Dispatch Action

Resource, Overhead, and Equipment Order Forms completed to date

Incident Status Summary, IRS-002 ____/____/__________

Five sets of topographics maps covering the incident area and areas which might be affected by the incident and five local road maps or atlases.

Incident Area Aerial Photo(s)

Local plans or documents containing emergency actions

Weather Forecast

ISA for Incident

Responsible Official’s Delegation of Authority to the Incident Commander

Responsible Official’s Briefing to the Incident Management Team Form

Unit Service and Supply Plant

Local Key Contact Phone List

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6. **SUMMARY OF CURRENT ACTIONS**

- **0615** On arrival, found train derailment on banks of Ganges River.
  - Unknown # of cars or contents. Some are obviously leaking, some are burning. E6, E8, T8, R8 on scene assessing rescue and fire.
  - Squad 1 is working of Haz Mat identification.
- On scene establishing perimeter. CS 140, CC 141, CC 142 and CC 143. Requesting Unified Command with CS 140.
- EMS units 1, 8 and 6 are on scene checking for injured.
- **0626** Requesting an Information officer to the scene

**OBJECTIVES**

1. Protect public and responder safety
   - Treat injured
   - Evacuate area of ½ Km north of the inc 1 Km south ½ Km to either side
   - Establish an incident perimeter for site security
2. Contain the incident
   - Control existing fires and take action to prevent new ones
   - Identify and contain materials on the train
   - Contain material flowing into and down the river

- **0645** Continuing with evacuations requesting assistance from other city units as well as local and State Police.
  - Placing a request for an evacuation center to be set up by Red Cross
  - E-6 identified propane as among the burning tank cars – increasing evacuation distance to one km. radius

- **0650** Requesting representatives from Columbia State Fish and Game and C&C Railroad respond to scene

- **0715** Requesting the local Type 3 Incident Response Team respond

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5. Provide

for the safety of the public and a safe work environment for all responders.
Identify current and potential hazardous material releases and potential impacts to the public and environment, including: Human Exposure, Municipal Water Supplies, Air Quality, Flora and Fauna.

Establish safety mitigations for firefighters and extinguish fires as soon as possible.

Prepare and initiate a plan to contain and prevent further release of hazardous materials by 1200 hrs. tomorrow.

Complete a damage survey within 24 hrs.

Establish HAZMAT clean up activities with a target completion time of 72 hrs.

Return all public facilities used for the response to at least minimal operational condition within 48 hrs.

6. Weather Forecast for Period


A high pressure ridge is bringing stable conditions to the area so expect return of fog to the area tonight.

7. General Safety Message

Remember, that appropriate PPE **MUST** be work at all times. If you do not have PPE, order thru the Logistics Section Chief.

Make sure that **LOOKOUTS** are posted; everyone has adequate **COMMUNICATIONS**; **ESCAPE ROUTES** are identified and known to all; and Each and Every person is aware of the location of **SAFETY ZONES**.

8. Attachment (mark if attached)

- [ ] Organization List – IRS 003
- [ ] Medical Plan – IRS 006
- [ ] Safety Message
- [ ] Div. Assignments List – IRS 004
- [ ] Site Safety Plan – IRS 008
- [ ] Communications Plan – IRS 005
- [ ] Traffic Plan

9. Prepared by (Planning Section Chief)

   **Raj Kumar**

10. Approved by (Incident Commander)

    **S.C. Gupta**

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   Division/Group Supervisor  
   Nand Lal
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   Air Attach Supervisor No.

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7. **Control Operations**
   Maintain perimeter, restrict access to authorized personnel.
   Complete any evacuation within the perimeter.
   Continue river closure

8. **Special Instructions**
   Make sure all Escape Routes are Identified.
   Control and maintain safe traffic patterns for evacuees
   Monitor equipment use.

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### Control Operations


### Special Instructions

Make sure all Escape Routes are Identified.
Establish Escape Routes and make them known to everyone.
Control Contamination Spread.

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### 7. Control Operations
Coordinate with all Groups to assess damage throughout the incident area. Assess public facilities for use within 48 hours. Assess impacts to threatened and endangered species.

### 8. Special Instructions

**Post Lookouts!**

Identify **Escape Routes** and make them known to everyone.

Be expected to have problems with “Runoff Control”!

Make sure your monitor runoff.

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Prepared by (Resource Unit Leader)

Vipul Thakur

Approved by (Planning Section Chief)

Raj Kumar

**Date**: 20/03/2012

**Time**: 1000 hrs

IR5 - 004
## INCIDENT RADIO COMMUNICATION PLAN

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### 4. Basic Radio Channel Utilization

5. Prepared by (Communications Unit)

   Mohan Anand, Communications Unit Leader
### MEDICAL PLAN

#### 1. Incident Name
Train Derailment

#### 2. Date Prepared
20/03/2012

#### 3. Time Prepared
1000

#### 4. Operational Period
1200 – 2400

#### 5. Incident Medical Aid Station

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#### 8. Medical Emergency Procedures

The DIVS/Group Supervisor will take charge of a Medical Emergency, notify EMC Dispatch on Command Channel. Dispatch will clear all radio traffic except for the emergency. The closest line EMT will respond to the incident for triage and treatment. The DIVS/Group Supervisor will give Dispatch the following information: type of injury, mechanism, type of transport needed, and location. Gross Decon will be performed on all patients.

Prepared by (Medical Unit Leader)   Reviewed by (Safety Officer)
Kamal Yadav                        Sanjay Srivastav
### Section I. Site Information

4. Incident Location  
Sainthia, West Bengal

### Section II. Organization

5. Incident Commander  
Joginder Harit  
6. HM Group Supervisor  
Madan Diwan

7. Tech. Specialist – HM Reference  
Joginder Maan

8. Safety Officer  
Neeraj Devraj  
9. Entry Leader  
Anil Yadav

10. Site Access Control Leader  
Deepak Madan

11. Asstt. Safety Officer – HM  
Anirudh Bansal  
12. Decontamination Leader  
Chander Prakash

13. Safe Refuge Area Manager  
Joginder

14. Environmental Health  
Mohinder Sahni

15.  
16.  
17. Entry Team: (Buddy System)  
Name: PPE  
Level

Entry 1  
Mukesh Hari  
A  
Decon1  
Jaswant  
A

Entry 2  
Bijender Singh  
A  
Decon2  
Suresh Kr.  
A

Entry 3  
Sanjay Kumar  
A  
Decon3  
Ramesh Kr  
A

Entry 4  
A  
Decon4  
Tilak Raj  
A

### Section III. Hazard/Risk Analysis

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Comment:

### Section IV. Hazard Monitoring

20. LEL Instrument(s)  
21. O2 instruments(s)

22. Toxicity/PPM Instrument(s)  
23. Radiological Instrument(s)

Comment:

### Section V. Decontamination Procedures

24. Standard Decontamination Precedures:  
Yes   
No

Comment:  
All Decon personnel shall be Level “A” PPE

### Section VI. Site Communications

25. Command Frequency: 168.100  
26. Tactical Frequency: 170.4500  

### Section VII. Medical Assistance

28. Medical Monitoring:  
Yes   
No  
29. Medical Treatment and Transport in-place:  
Yes   
No
Safety Message

March 20, 2012
Day Shift 1200 -2400

* Hazardous Atmosphere *

➢ PPE!!!
➢ Warning Alarms!!!
➢ Escape Routes!!!
➢ Accountability!!!
  o Know where you and your crew members are at “all” time.

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Lookouts
Communication
Escape Route
Safety Zones

You are your own “Safety Officer”!

Naresh Diwan
Safety Officer

Handout 6 – 3: Sample IAP
Train Incident
Traffic Plan

The ICP is located on the corner of ____________________. To access the incident from the ICP take _____________________ to the rail line.

The return route to the ICP will follow _____________________.

Fuel is located at the corner of _________________________.

Mandatory vehicle wash station will be setup at _________________________.

All incident vehicles will be washed prior to release from the incident.

AGENCY : ________________________________

DREPT NAME : ________________________________

Contact Methods
Emergency Contact : ________________________________

Phone #’s : ________________________________

E-Mail : ________________________________

Fax : ________________________________

Address : ________________________________

Station Location : ________________________________

Lodging Location : ________________________________

Decision Making Level : ________________________________

Backup/Relief Planned : ________________________________

Health issues you would like the LO to know about?

__________________________________________________________________________

Other

Handout 6 – 4 Collection Information from Agency Reps.
CHECKLIST OF INFORMATION REQUIRED OF A PARTICIPATING AGENCY

Department


Deptt. Rep./Agency Rep. Primary Contact

Is Department is Unified Command?    Yes    _____    No    _____

Resources

On Scene

Available, if needed

Capabilities

Limitations

Response times of resources not at scene.

Are the resources contractors or agency employees?

Special Needs or Requirements (i.e. max work hours, union agreements, time out or maximum assignment time etc.)

Off-site support activities or available resources (facilities, mechanics etc.)

What is the agency’s mission or objectives as it relates to this incident? Are there any agency specific issues or concerns?

Level of Authority or Approval requirement.

Resource ordering procedures (how to contact the agency’s EOC)

Information on pay procedures, funding issues etc.

Department-specific cost tracking requirements.

Department-specific Demobilization requirements

How long does the department expect to commit resources to the incident?

Available Communications methods between the department and the IRT. (phone, email, radio etc.)
**LIAISON OFFICE MASTER POC**
(Used as a wall chart in the ICP)

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* Direct Support: One to one contact and communication with action officer
* Indirect support: One to one contact with multiple individual in the unit (e.g. Inventory Specialist) Contact is seldom with the same individual

* LOA# = Specific Actions taken by the LO with point of contact. See LO Action file.
**ETA = Estimate Time of Arrival : May be listed as “date time group” 0925163004
**OH = On Hand
**OR = On Request or On Order
**POC = Person of Contact
**PA = Pending Action
**FUA = Follow Up Action

Handout 6 – 4 Collecting Information From Deptt. Reps./Agency Reps.
Objectives

By the end of this unit, participants will be able to:

- Describe how the Liaison Officer (LO) fits into the planning process.
- Describe the responsibilities of the Liaison Officer in the IRS Planning Process.

Time Plan

A suggested time plan for this unit is shown below. More or less time may be required, based on the experience level of the group.

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Unit 7
The Planning Process

Visual 7 - 1
Unit 7  The Planning Process

**Topic**  Unit Terminal Objective

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**Unit Terminal Objective**

- Know how the Liaison Officer fits into the planning process

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**Key Points**

*Unit Terminal Objective*

Describe how the Liaison Officer fits into the planning process

*Unit Enabling Objective*

- Describe the responsibilities of the Liaison Officer in the IRS Planning
Liaison Officer Role in Incident Planning

- Plays a critical role in coordinating the use of resources from Line Departments
- Ensure Departmental Representatives are available and provide required information in a timely manner
- Ensure problems are resolved and opportunities are identified prior to the Planning Meeting

Key Points

In Incident Planning, the Liaison Officer:

- Play a critical role in coordinating the use of resources from Line Departments
- Ensure Departmental Representatives are available and provide required information in a timely manner
- Ensures problems are resolved and opportunities are identified prior to the Planning Meeting.
Unit 7  The Planning Process

Topic  The Planning Cycle

The Planning Cycle
- The Planning P.

Key Points

Refer to Handout 7 – 1: The Planning P.
Planning Steps and Meetings

- Initial Incident Briefing
- Command and General Staff
- Tactics Meeting
- Planning Meeting
- Assemble the Incident Action Plan parts
- Incident Action Plan distribution
- Operations Briefing

Key Points

- Initial Incident Briefing
- Command and General Staff
- Initial Briefing for Deptt. Reps./Agency Reps.
- Tactics Meeting
- Preparing for Planning Meeting with Deptt. Reps./Agency Reps.
- Planning Meeting
- Assemble the Incident Action Plan parts
- Incident Action Plan distribution
- Operations Briefing
- Operations Briefings*
Role of the Liaison Officer

- Initial Incident Briefing
  - Gathers information on Line and cooperating departments that are or will be on the incident
- Command and General Staff
  - Provides information to the IRT concerning important issues with other departments
  - Provides information regarding required information for the planning process

Key Points

- Initial Incident Briefing
  - This may be the time when the Liaison Officer realizes the need for assistants
  - Gathers information on Line and cooperating departments that are or will be on the incident
- Command and General Staff Meetings
  - Stakeholders issues might come up at this juncture
  - This is also the point where the determined relationship between Incident Command, Liaison Officer, and Public Information Officer will be made clear.
  - Provides information regarding required information for the Planning Process.
Role of the Liaison Officer (cont.)

- Tactics Meeting
  - If requested to attend by the OSC, provides information on the capabilities and limitations of resources to accomplish proposed tactics.
- Preparing for the Planning Meeting
  - Ensures Departmental Representatives can support the proposed assignments of their resources.
- Planning Meeting
  - Attends the meeting and coordinates interaction with the Deptt. Rep./Agency Rep.

Key Points

- Tactics Meeting
  - If requested to attend by the Operations Section Chief, provide information on the capabilities and limitations of resources to accomplish proposed tactics.
- Preparing for the Planning Meeting
  - Ensures Departmental Representatives can support the proposed assignments of their resources.
- Planning Meeting
  - Attends the meeting and coordinates interaction with the Deptt. Rep./Agency Rep.
Role of the Liaison Officer (cont.)

- Assemble Incident Action Plan Parts
  - Ensures coordination between Deptt. Rep./Agency Rep. and the RUL on specific assignments of resources
- Incident Action Plan Distribution
  - Ensures Departmental Representatives and their resource leaders receive copies of the plans
- Operations Briefing
  - Ensures critical information is getting to Line Departments

Key Points

- Assemble Incident Action Plan Parts
  - Ensures coordination between Deptt. Rep./Agency Rep. and the Resource Unit Leader (RUL) on specific assignments of resources.

- Incident Action Plan Distribution
  - Ensure Departmental Representatives and their resource leaders receive copies of the Plan.

- Operations Briefing
  - Ensures critical information is getting to Line Departments.
**Unit 7  The Planning Process**

**Topic** Special Meetings

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**Special Meetings**

- Demobilization meeting
- Meetings when conditions change
- Contingency planning
- VIP visiting form Line or Cooperating Departments
- Other

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**Key Points**

- Demobilization Meeting
- Meetings when condition change
- Contingency Planning
- VIP visiting from Line or cooperating departments
- Other
Objective Review

- What are the responsibilities of the Liaison Officer in the IRS Planning Process?

Key Points

**Unit Terminal Objective**

Describe how the Liaison Officer fits into the planning process

**Unit Enabling Objective**

Describe the responsibilities of the Liaison Officer in the IRS Planning Process
Unit 8: Special Situation
PARTICIPANT GUIDE
Objectives

By the end of this unit, participants will be able to:

- Describe how to determine the proper steps to follow in the event of special situation.

Time Plan

A suggested time plan for this unit is shown below. More or less time may be required, based on the experience level of the group.

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Unit 8       Special Situations

**Topic**       Unit Title Slide

**Key Points**
**Unit Terminal Objective**

- Describe how to determine the proper steps to follow in the event of a special situation.

**Key Points**

*Unit Terminal Objective*

Describe how to determine the proper steps to follow in the event of a special situation.
Topic  What are Special Situations?

What Are Special Situations?

- Accidents or injuries
- Unexpected problems involving other departments personnel
- Problems back home
- VIP visits
- Issues or problems with stakeholders
- Other

Key Points

Examples of special situations include:

- Accidents or injuries
- Unexpected problems involving other agency personnel
- Problems back home
- VIP visits
- Issues or problems with stakeholders
- Other
Scenario 1

An Departmental Representative from the local fire department reports that member of his/her Fire team have been on this incident for five days and are exhausted. Their further active deployment may be potentially fatal as they need rest urgently.

Key Points

Review the scenario and respond to the discussion question presented by the instructor.
**Topic**  
Scenario 2

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**Scenario 2**

A strike team leader from an line department stops you and wants to know where he can find his departmental representative. He has not seen him in two days and wants to know when they can expect some rest / reinforcements.

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**Key Points**

Review the scenario and respond to the discussion question presented by the instructor.
Scenario 3

There has been an oil spill. A farmer accompanied by the local elected representative arrives at the Incident Command Post looking for someone in charge. He tells you that a bulldozer has taken down 300 feet of his new fence, and his cattle are scattered near the oil spill. He wants to know who is going to fix the fence, round up his cattle, pay him compensation and when you are going to get off of his land.

Key Points

Review the scenario and respond to the discussion question presented by the instructor.
Scenario 4

A soldier contacts the State Police Representatives and informs them that an incident vehicle has been involved in an accident with a civilian vehicle. There are injuries but the details are incomplete. A crowd has gathered and is demanding that responsibility be fixed and also compensation be paid for the damage to vehicle / to the injured.

Key Points

Review the scenario and respond to the discussion question presented by the instructor.
Subject: Special Situations

Topic: Objective Review

Objective Review

- How do you determine the proper steps to follow in the event of a special situation?

Key Points

Unit Terminal Objective

Describe how to determine the proper steps to follow in the event of a special situation.
Unit 9: Demobilization

PARTICIPANT GUIDE
Unit 9   Demobilization

Objectives

By the end of this unit, participants will be able to:

- Understand the Demobilization process as it relates to the duties of the Liaison Officer.
- Identify and list the information needed from Line and cooperating departments before, and during incident demobilization.
- Describe the Liaison Officer’s responsibilities throughout the demobilization process.

Time Plan

A suggested time plan for this unit is shown below. More or less time may be required, based on the experience level of the group.

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Unit 9 Demobilization

Topic Unit Title Slide

Key Points
**Unit Terminal Objective**

Understand the Demobilization process as it relates to the duties of the Liaison Officer.

**Unit Enabling Objective**

- Identify and list the information needed from line and cooperating departments before, and during incident demobilization.
- Describe the Liaison Officer’s responsibilities throughout the demobilization process.
Responsibilities During Demobilization

- Maintain constant interaction with other IRT members
- Give input for release priorities for line departments
- Ensure documentation for line and cooperating departments is complete and submitted before leaving the incident

Key Points

The following are some of the responsibilities of a Liaison Officer during Demobilization:

- Maintain constant interaction with other IRT members
- Give input for release priorities for line government.
  - Release priorities are incident specific
    - Central
    - Out of State
    - State Government
    - Local Government
- Ensure documentation for line and cooperating government is complete and submitted before leaving the incident.
  - Times sheets
- IRS Form 003 – Unit Log.
Unit 9  Demobilization

**Topic**  Personnel Performance Evaluations

Personnel Performance Evaluations

- As required by IRT or department policy
- Two special target groups:
  - Trainees
  - Exceptional performers (exceptionally good or exceptionally poor)

**Key Points**

Subordinate incident personnel performance evaluations should be completed, as required by the IRT or department policy.

Communicating expectations is critical to success. If you don’t tell your IRT what you want done (performance) and the quality you expect (standards) don’t be surprised. People will normally do their best, but may miss the mark if they don’t know what’s expected.

Model the expected behavior as a function of leadership. If you want an injury free incident operation, model safe practices. If you want a discrimination-free operation, be sensitive to all persons and do not tolerate unacceptable behavior. If you want good documentation keep a good log and check to make sure that other logs are being done.

The things you pay attention to will become the individual and team priorities.

There are two target groups that will need evaluation:

- Trainees
- Exceptional performers (exceptionally good or exceptionally poor).

If you desire evaluations or want everyone to get a performance appraisal, that needs to be stated at the beginning so that supervisors can be prepared. Performance appraisals should focus on the job requirements; using the checklist as the basis of appraisal makes it very objective.
Topic Personnel Performance Evaluations (cont.)

Personnel Performance Evaluations

- As required by IRT or department policy
- Two special target groups:
  - Trainees
  - Exceptional performers (exceptionally good or exceptionally poor)

Key Points

Performance evaluations should include the following characteristics

- Be candid and objective.
- Emphasize results rather than processes.
- Concentrate on situations, not people.
- Emphasize the important issues.
- Be based on objectives and direction provided.
- Finalized in a face-to-face exchange.
  - Complete performance evaluations before the individuals are released from the incident.
  - Discuss performance evaluations with the individuals.
  - Facilitates a process to deal with substandard performance or conduct.
- Ensure evaluations are documented and distributed.
**Topic**  Evaluate Performance of Assigned Personnel

- Evaluate individuals as required by department policy
- Discuss with the individual

**Key Points**

- Evaluate individuals as required by department policy.
- Discuss performances with individuals
- Maintain accuracy and fairness
- Submit signed form to Documentation Unit
Exercise 5

- Demobilization Information

Key Points

Follow instructions from the instructor for completing the exercise activities as well as any instructions in the supplemental materials.
Objectives Review

- What information does the Liaison Officer need from line and cooperating departments before and during incident demobilization?

- What are the Liaison Officer’s responsibilities throughout the demobilization process?

Key Points

Unit Terminal Objective
Understand the Demobilization process as it relates to the duties of the Liaison Officer.

Unit Enabling Objective
- Identify and list the information needed from line and cooperating departments before and during incident demobilization.
- Describe the Liaison Officer’s responsibilities throughout the demobilization process.
Review of Course Expectations

Key Points

Follow instructions from the instructor for reviewing the course expectations.
**Topic**  
Course Final

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Follow instructions from the instructor on completing the course final.
ALL HAZARDS LIAISON OFFICER

Demobilization
Exercise 5 Overview
Unit 9

Purpose
The purpose of this exercise is to provide participants with an opportunity to identify
the LO’s roles and responsibilities during the Demobilization meeting.

Objectives
Participants will:
• Create a basic agenda for use by the LO during a Demobilization meeting with Line
Departments (Deptt. Reps./Agency Reps.).

Exercise Structure
This exercise is scheduled to last approximately 15 minutes, including small group
discussion and presentation of group findings.

Rules, Roles, and Responsibilities
Following are the specific activities/instructions for your participation in the exercise:
1. Within your work group, select a group spokesperson.
2. Create basic bullet points for the agenda of your Demobilization meeting with
Line Department (Deptt. Reps./Agency Reps.).
3. Write your answers to the questions on easel pad paper.
4. Present your group’s approach to the full class.
Facilitators moderate discussions, answer questions, and provide additional information
as required.

Exercise 4 Schedule

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DEMOBILIZATION PLAN

Reviewed By: ___________________________ Planning Section Chief
Reviewed By: ___________________________ Operations Section Chief
Reviewed By: ___________________________ Finance Section Chief
Reviewed By: ___________________________ Logistics Section Chief
Reviewed By: ___________________________ Safety Officer
Reviewed By: ___________________________ Liaison Officer
Reviewed By: ___________________________ Information Officer

Approved By: ___________________________ Incident Commander

Date Approved:  22/01/XXXX

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DEMOBILIZATION PLAN

I. General Information:
This Demobilization Plan will be adjusted and implemented within the operational/planning cycle of the incident. Guidelines contained within this plan will be used by the Command and General Staff in their efforts to properly release personnel and equipment from the scene with the approval of the Incident Commander. Staffing standards, work hours, overtime, and other personnel matters will be noted within this plan.

II. Responsibilities:
A. General
1. All field deployed personnel and equipment can only be demobilized with the approval of the Incident Commander. Demobilization of critical resources is mentioned later.
2. No personnel or equipment will leave the incident until authorized to do so.
3. Demobilization will be accomplished in a cost effective manner.
4. Safety of personnel is paramount during demobilization.
5. All incident response personnel shall follow the guidelines put forth in this plan.
6. All equipment checked out must be returned to the appropriate originator.

B. Emergency Operations Center Manager
1. The role of EOC Manager is to facilitate demobilization through normal operating procedures, and assure the demobilization priorities are consistent with geographic area and national guidelines.

C. Incident Commander
1. The Incident Commander will follow normal procedures of developing and approving the Demobilization Plan and implementation procedures. The Incident Commander may use the State’s plan if it meets the needs or develop a new plan that addresses these issues.

D. Planning Section Chief
1. Shall ensure demobilization information is disseminated in sufficient time to ensure the orderly downsizing or reorganization of incident resources.
2. Submit proposed release of resources for the proper approvals. Ensure approved releases receive and comply with the Demobilization Check-out Form.

E. Operations Section Chief
1. Identify surplus personnel and equipment to the Incident Commander.
2. Communicate excess personnel and equipment available for demobilization to the Planning Section Chief.

F. Logistics Section Chief
1. Coordinate all personnel and equipment transportation needs to final
destinations.
2. Ensure all communications, facilities, and ground equipment and other returnable items are checked in and verified.

G. Finance/Administration Section Chief
1. All personnel time reports are up-to-date.
2. All equipment time reports are completed.
3. All known claims are recorded.

III. Critical Resource and Release Priorities:
A. Critical Resources
1. The State EOC will assist the Incident Commander in identifying critical resources.
2. The Incident Commander will determine the release priorities for any critical resources in the Incident Management Organization. Prior to scheduling the release of a critical resource the Planning Section Chief will notify the EOC Manager.

B. Non-Critical Resource Exchange
1. All non-critical resources will be demobilized through normal procedures.

C. Priority Release Guidelines.
   Personnel:
   1. Personnel that have worked continuously for 14 days. This time standard should not be flexible based on the national work rest guidelines.
   2. Out-of-State Personnel
   3. Line Department personnel will be released in accordance with agreements or other arrangements made with their respective department.
   4. Local Personnel

D. Equipment:
   1. Equipment designated as a critical resource.
   2. Equipment staged for long periods of time and no longer expected to be needed.
   3. Rented or leased equipment.
   4. Equipment vital to other regional operations.

IV. Personnel Demobilization Guidelines:
A. Personnel Demobilization.
   1. Demobilization Checkout Form  For each operational period where personnel demobilization is anticipated, the Demobilization Unit shall complete a Demobilization Checkout Form . This form is attached to this plan.
   2. Check-out  All personnel demobilizing permanently from the incident shall complete a Demobilization Checkout Form. This form will facilitate the return of:
      • Non-expendable equipment

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• Communications gear
• Vehicles
• Other equipment or administrative matters that need to be addressed before the release of the individual (i.e., removal of person for rosters, employee profile database, etc.).

3. **Debrief** Each demobilized person will receive an operational and safety/medical debrief. This is to ensure that the job they were performing is either complete or the person has been properly relieved by another worker to address ongoing issues. The safety/medical debriefs serves as a check to the Incident Management Team to determine any unsafe conditions not previously reported and to ensure that the person is leaving the incident in a healthy state.

4. **Departure** For safety reasons, demobilized personnel should insure they are properly rested before beginning their travel to their normal work place or home (especially if driving).

5. **Travel Restrictions** Travel shall be conducted in accordance with existing rules and guidelines as per individual travel authorizations

V. Equipment Demobilization Guidelines:
   A. **Equipment Demobilization.**
      1. **Check-out.** All equipment demobilizing permanently from the incident shall be noted on the Demobilization Checkout Form.
# Personal Check-out Process Checklist

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<td>□ <strong>General.</strong> All persons demobilizing from the response shall ensure that they are cleared to leave with their immediate supervisor. If onsite relief is necessary, time should be planned to accomplish that task.</td>
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<td>□ Each person demobilizing under the IMT or Incident Command shall ensure that the Resources Unit is aware of their departure so you can be signed out from the response via the IRS 003.</td>
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<td>□ <strong>Logistics.</strong> The Logistics Section Chief will ensure that lodging and other support needs are in-place for the demobilized individual while they are returning to their quarters. This would include transportation and other applicable issues needed to support their departure.</td>
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<td>□ <strong>Non-Expendable Equipment.</strong> Non-expendable equipment shall be returned before departure. People shall not be allowed to fully demobilize without returning non-expendable property.</td>
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