

Apply community risk management elements in fire and rescue services

Level 4

Credits 4

Purpose People credited with this unit standard are able to: evaluate the use of community risk management elements in organisational policy and procedures; apply risk management elements to identified actual and potential risks affecting the local community; and apply risk management elements to identified actual and potential risks affecting the wider community.

Subfield Fire and Rescue Services

Domain Fire and Rescue Services - Structural and Industrial

Status Registered

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Entry information Recommended: Unit 16936, *Demonstrate knowledge of community risk management elements in fire and rescue services*, or demonstrate equivalent knowledge and skills.

Accreditation Evaluation of documentation and visit by NZQA and industry.

Standard setting body (SSB) Fire and Rescue Services Industry Training Organisation

Accreditation and Moderation Action Plan (AMAP) reference 0039

This AMAP can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.

Special notes

1 Version 3 of this unit standard was published to amend an error in the title.

- 2 The term *community risk management* is used to describe a methodology that can be applied to manage natural and manmade conditions that present risk or danger to the public, property, commerce, or the environment. The reference for community risk management is AS/NZS 4360:1999.
- 3 The term *local community* is used to describe the candidate's own Fire and Rescue District.
- 4 The term *wider community* is used to describe immediately adjacent locations outside of the candidate's own Fire and Rescue District.
- 5 The term *single agency* is used to describe the candidate's own service provider organisation.
- 6 *Risks* refers to hazards and/or dangers that may affect the safety and wellbeing of people, the continuity of services to the community, and the stability of the environment.
- 7 For the purposes of assessment candidates will be required to demonstrate knowledge of community risk management issues in their local community.
- 8 *Treatments* refers to the actions, remedies, and solutions designed and applied to control, lessen, and in some cases mitigate identified hazards and risks.
- 9 Treatments are recognised as not always mitigating identified hazards and risks due to the circumstances of the hazards and risks. For the purposes of assessment, where treatments are impractical for mitigating hazards and risks (due to the size and nature of the hazards and risks) the treatments should be designed and applied to control and lessen the hazards and risks.

Elements and performance criteria

Element 1

Evaluate the use of community risk management elements in organisational policy and procedures.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 The organisation's policies and procedures are evaluated in terms of their use of community risk management elements.
- 1.2 The relationship between organisational readiness and community risk management is identified in the organisation's policies and procedures.

Element 2

Apply risk management elements to identified actual and potential risks affecting the local community.

Performance criteria

2.1 Actual and potential risks affecting the local community are identified consistent with the local community demography.

Range demography may include but is not limited to - population densities, cultural diversities, socio-economic levels, transport infrastructure, public and community services.

2.2 Risk management elements are applied to establish treatments for identified local community actual and potential risks.

Element 3

Apply risk management elements to identified actual and potential risks affecting the wider community.

Range may include but not limited to - local agreements, task force operations, mutual aid provisions.

Performance criteria

3.1 Actual and potential risks profiled reflect wider community conditions and environmental factors.

3.2 Risk management elements are applied to establish treatments for identified wider community and environmental actual and potential risk.

Please note

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Industry Training Organisations must be accredited by the Qualifications Authority before they can register credits from assessment against unit standards.

Accredited providers and Industry Training Organisations assessing against unit standards must engage with the moderation system that applies to those standards.

Accreditation requirements and an outline of the moderation system that applies to this standard are outlined in the Accreditation and Moderation Action Plan (AMAP). The AMAP also includes useful information about special requirements for organisations wishing to develop education and training programmes, such as minimum qualifications for tutors and assessors, and special resource requirements.

Comments on this unit standard

Please contact the Fire and Rescue Services Industry Training Organisation info@frsito.org.nz if you wish to suggest changes to the content of this unit standard.