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Handbook 6 National Strategy for Disaster Resilience – community engagement framework

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Guideline 7-3 Technical flood risk management guideline: flood hazard

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Guideline 7-5 Technical Flood Risk Management Guideline - flood information to support land-use planning

Guideline 7-6 Technical flood risk management guideline: assessing options and service levels for treating existing risk

Practice Note 7-7 Considering flooding in land-use planning activities

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- Handbook 8** Lessons management
- Handbook 9** Australian Emergency Management Arrangements
- Handbook 10** National Emergency Risk Assessment Guidelines (*plus supporting guideline*)
- Guideline 10-1** National Emergency Risk Assessment Guidelines: practice guide
- Handbook 11** *renamed Guideline 10-1 National Emergency Risk Assessment Guidelines: practice guide*
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- Manual 4** Australian Emergency Management Terms Thesaurus (1998)
- Manual 5** *Emergency risk management – applications guide (superseded by Handbook 10)*
- Manual 6** *Implementing emergency risk management – a facilitator’s guide to working with committees and communities (superseded by Handbook 10)*
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- Manual 8** *Emergency catering (2003, archived)*
- Manual 12** Safe and healthy mass gatherings (1999)
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- Manual 22** Flood response (2009)
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- Manual 25** Guidelines for psychological services: emergency managers guide (2003)

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- Manual 26** Guidelines for psychological services: mental health practitioners guide (2003)
- Manual 27** Disaster loss assessment guidelines (2002)
- Manual 28** Economic and financial aspects of disaster recovery (2002)
- Manual 29** Community development in recovery from disaster (2003)
- Manual 30** Storm and water damage operations (2007) (information may not be appropriate to all situations)
- Manual 31** Operations centre management (2001)
- Manual 32** Leadership (1997)
- Manual 33** National Land search operations (2014) (refer to the Land Search Operations Manual website)
- Manual 34** Road rescue (2009)
- Manual 35** General and disaster rescue (2006)
- Manual 36** Map reading and navigation (2001)
- Manual 37** Four-wheel-drive vehicle operation (1997)
- Manual 38** Communications (1998)
- Manual 39** Flood rescue boat operation (2009)
- Manual 40** Vertical Rescue (2001)
- Manual 41** *Small group training management (1999, archived)*
- Manual 42** *Managing Exercises (superseded by Handbook 3)*
- Manual 43** Emergency planning (2004)
- Manual 44** Guidelines for emergency management in culturally and linguistically diverse communities (2007)
- Manual 45** Guidelines for the development of community education, awareness and education programs (2010)
- Manual 46** Tsunami (2010)

FOREWORD

The Australian Emergency Management Terms Thesaurus has been developed in consultation with representatives of all key emergency management organisations in Australia. These experts were given the opportunity to comment on drafts, and information specialists and librarians from each key area analysed their comments and provided input to development of the final drafts. Throughout the exercise the staff of the EMA Information Centre contributed on the basis of their knowledge of their clients, information in the field and issues related to organisation of appropriate information to enable effective access for users.

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INTRODUCTION

BACKGROUND TO THE THESAURUS

A review of the Emergency Management Australia Information Service, located at the Australian Emergency Management Institute, Mount Macedon, was undertaken during 1995-96. During this study, the field of emergency management was examined in relation to the use of terminology by general users, researchers, librarians, and information managers. One of the recommendations was that a thesaurus and a glossary of emergency management terms should be developed which would encourage common understanding of definitions and relationships between terms and act as a focus for exchange of ideas and further development of a common nomenclature.

AIM OF THE THESAURUS

The Thesaurus provides a list of emergency management terms, related terms and scope notes primarily based on the definitions in the Emergency Management Glossary, and some provided by specialists during the consultation process. These terms include those likely to be used by all services in the area, some from specialist fields that are commonly used in other areas but not those relating to specific areas of particular emergency services.

The types of organisations that will find the Thesaurus of value include:

- peak bodies;
- emergency management professionals;
- researchers;
- academics;
- processing, storage and transport industries;
- local government;
- State and Commonwealth government departments;
- non-government organisations;
- professional transport industries;
- other large private sector organisations;
- hospitals, educational institutions, etc; and
- community organisations.

Within these organisations it is envisaged that the thesaurus would be used by librarians and information specialists in the organisation of information, construction of databases and dissemination of information through publications. The Thesaurus would also be accessible to those wishing to access information in these areas and would assist in effective searching and results.

THE CONTEXT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Emergency management is a range of measures to manage risks to communities and the environment. These measures are described by:

- the 'comprehensive approach';
- the 'all hazards' approach';
- the 'all agencies' (or integrated approach); and
- the 'prepared community'.

Comprehensive emergency management entails strategies for risk analysis, prevention, preparedness, response and recovery. These strategies enable the environment to be managed in a rational and planned way, and to react to emergencies effectively.

The **all hazards** approach concerns arrangements for managing the large range of possible effects of risks and emergencies. This approach is useful in that a large range of risks can cause similar problems, and such measures as warning, evacuation, medical services and community restoration will be required during and following emergencies. Many risks will, however, require specific response and recovery measures, and may require specific prevention and mitigation measures.

All agencies should be involved to some extent in emergency management. The context of the emergency management measures of specific agencies varies, and may include:

- ensuring the continuity of their business or service;
- protecting their own interests and personnel;
- protecting the community and environment from hazards arising from the activities of the organisation; and
- the provision of a public service in protecting the community and environment from all credible risks.

Emergency management measures may thus be couched in a number of organisational and community context, including risk management, environmental management, occupational health and safety, quality management.

The concept of the **prepared community** concerns the application of the comprehensive, all hazards and all agencies approaches at the local level.

Emergency management measures, and the newly-emerging techniques of emergency risk management, can be applied to a wide range of **major risks** and **hazardous events**, by a variety of disciplines.

ISSUES OF TERMS - 'EMERGENCY' VERSUS 'DISASTER'

Each specialist field describes hazardous events in different ways, and there is also systematic variation between the States and Territories. Thus, the hazardous events are variously labelled as: 'accidents'; 'emergencies'; and, 'disasters'; depending upon factors including the scale of the event, the number of organisations involved, the ability of the organisations to cope within their normal resources. For example, a major vehicle accident may be labelled an 'incident' by the emergency services, but may be labelled a 'disaster' by an emergency medical facility.

A general movement away from the terms 'counter-disaster' and 'disaster' towards the term 'emergency' has occurred in Australia over the last few years. In the Thesaurus, the term 'emergency' is generally used in compound terms, such as 'emergency management' in preference to 'disaster'. However, the terms 'disaster' and 'disaster management' are used in some parts of Australia.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Structure of the Thesaurus

The Thesaurus is structured on the basis of the following principles:

- The terms selected are not comprehensive but those identified as commonly used across the field of emergency management. Specific organisations will use additional related terms to organise information, many of which will be based on authorities such as the Library of Congress Subject Headings listing.
- The terms are arranged alphabetically.
- The list of terms includes both preferred terms and non-preferred terms. Preferred terms direct that preference by the term 'Use'. Non-preferred terms are indicated as such.
- Preferred terms have been agreed on the basis of usage within the emergency management field.
- Scope notes are intended to indicate how the term is used in the Thesaurus. Most of these scope notes link to the Emergency Management Terms Glossary which provides detailed definitions.
- The only acronyms included are those in very common usage.

Terms are linked with the following indicators:

Electronic mail

E-mail	Non-preferred Term
Communications	Broader Term
Electronic mail systems	Related Term
Internet	Related Term

Electronic mail systems

Bulletin boards	Non-preferred Term
E-mail systems	Non-preferred Term
Electronic mail	Related Term

Elevators

Lifts	Non-preferred Term
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E-mail systems

Electronic mail systems	Use
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Embankments

Levees	Narrower Term
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Emblems

Insignia	Related Term
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To enable information to be easily searched using the terms of the Thesaurus, the following principles as recommended by the working party, apply:

- The plural form is used unless a specific concept requires the singular.
- Compound terms such as bushfire are applied as two words, bush fire.

Subdivisions

To enable a term to be extended, a list of descriptors are listed in Annex A. These terms are frequently used by those organising information or searching in the field. For example:

Hazardous materials transportation – Law and legislation
Disaster victim identification – Psychological aspects

Additional subdivisions may be added using sources such as the Library of Congress Subject Headings.

Suggested construction of a term for cataloguing or searching

The following order is recommended:

Term	selected from the Thesaurus.
Subdivision	selected from Annex A. Additional subdivisions can be added from the Library of Congress Subject Headings
Place	state or city within Australia, or country and city for places in other countries
Date	may cover a particular period or be specific, e.g. Earthquake 1960

For example:

Floods – Causes – Queensland – Charleville, 1997
Earthquake – Casualties – Mexico City, 1985
Landslides – Planning - Australia

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The Thesaurus was developed with input from stakeholders in all fields of emergency management. Initially discussions were held with individuals in various states, and on the basis of this input and the examination of relevant documents including Australian and other thesauri in related areas a draft was developed and distributed to over 100 individuals who had been identified as having expertise in the general field or a specific related area. These persons coordinated input from their own departments and agencies and forwarded valuable comments.

A further draft was developed and examined in detail by a working party of information specialists, including Peter Koob who concurrently developed the Australian Emergency Management Glossary. Their comments were considered by the staff of the Information Centre, and the final document was developed.

A

Ablutions

Includes showers, laundries, hand-washing basins and toilet facilities.

Aborigines

Australian aborigines	Non-preferred Term
Torres Strait Islanders	Related Term

Accelerants

Substances used to initiate and develop a fire.

Fires	Related term
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Acceptable risk

Degree of human or material loss that is perceived by the community or relevant authorities as tolerable in actions.

Access

Entry	Non-preferred Term
Egress	Related Term
Escape routes	Related Term
Evacuation	Related Term
Exits	Related Term

Accident analysis

Accidents	Broader Term
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Accident causes

Accidents	Broader Term
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Accident investigation

Accidents	Broader Term
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Accident prevention

Accidents	Broader Term
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Accident reporting systems

Fire reporting systems	Non-preferred Term
Accidents	Broader Term

Accident reports

Accidents	Broader Term
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Accident statistics

Accidents	Broader Term
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Accidents

A sudden event in which harm is caused to people, property or the built or natural environments.

Crashes	Non-preferred Term
Accident analysis	Narrower Term
Accident causes	Narrower Term
Accident investigation	Narrower Term
Accident prevention	Narrower Term
Accident reporting systems	Narrower Term
Accident reports	Narrower Term
Accident statistics	Narrower Term
Aircraft accidents	Narrower Term
Bus accidents	Narrower Term
Industrial accidents	Narrower Term
Marine accidents	Narrower Term
Nuclear accidents	Narrower Term
Railroad accidents	Narrower Term
Road accidents	Narrower Term

Accidents, Wounds and injuries

Wounds and injuries	Broader Term
First aid	Related Term
Injury prevention	Related Term
Blast injuries	Narrower Term
Burns and scalds	Narrower Term
Crush injuries	Narrower Term
Diving injuries	Narrower Term
Spinal cord injuries	Narrower Term

Acid rain

Rain containing dissolved acidic compounds, resulting from chemical pollution of the atmosphere by sulphur and nitrogen compounds.

Rain and rainfall	Broader Term
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Acquired immunodeficiency syndrome

AIDS	Use
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Action

The executive command to start an operation whereby all required personnel are called to their posts to be checked.

Mobilisation	Related Term
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Activation

Mobilisation	Related Term
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Adolescence		Warfare	Broader Term
Adolescents	Use	Aerial fire fighting	Related Term
		Water bombing	Related Term
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Adolescents		Aerial fire fighting	
People aged 13 to 17 years inclusive.		Air attack	Non-preferred Term
Adolescence	Non-preferred Term	Aerial bombing	Related Term
Teenagers	Non-preferred Term	Aerial reconnaissance	Related Term
Children	Related Term	Water bombing	Related Term
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Adult education		Aerial photography	
Community awareness	Related Term	Geographic information	
Community education	Related Term	systems	Related Term
Continuing education	Related Term	Photography	Related Term
Education	Related Term		
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Adulthood		Aerial reconnaissance	
People aged 18 years and over.		The use of aircraft for observing fire	
Adults	Use	behaviour, the threat to values, control	
		activity, and other crucial factors to facilitate	
		command decisions on strategies needed	
		for suppression.	
		Aerial fire fighting	Related Term
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Adults		Aerials	
People aged 18 years and over		Antennas	Use
Adulthood	Non-preferred Term		
Aged persons	Narrower Term		
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Advanced cardiac life support		Aerodynamics	
Advanced life support	Broader Term	Study of interaction between air and solid	
		bodies moving through it.	
		Aeronautics	Related Terms
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Advanced life support		Aeromedical evacuation	
Interventions to protect the airway, assist		Evacuation	Broader Term
breathing, relieve pain and suffering and		Medical evacuation	Related Term
maintain circulation.		Medical transport	Related Term
Life support systems	Broader Term		
Basic life support	Related Term		
Emergency medicine	Related Term		
First aid	Related Term		
Advanced cardiac life support	Narrower Term		
Advanced trauma life support	Narrower Term		
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Advanced trauma life support		Aeromedical services	
Advanced life support	Broader Term	Aeromedical transport	Non-preferred Term
Life support systems	Broader Term	Royal Flying Doctor Service	Related Term
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Aerial appliances		Aeromedical transport	
Fire appliances	Broader Term	Aeromedical services	Use
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Aerial bombing		Aeronautics	
Military bombardment by means of bombs		The science of aircraft engineering.	
dropped from the air.		Aerodynamics	Related Term
Bombing, aerial	Non-preferred Term	Aircraft	Related Term
		Aviation	Related Term

Aeroplanes			
Aircraft		Use	
Affected persons			
Persons who have been adversely affected by a disaster or emergency.			
Disaster affected persons		Use	
Aftershocks			
Smaller earthquakes following the largest earthquake of a series concentrated in a restricted crustal volume.			
Earthquakes		Broader Term	
Aged			
Elderly persons		Non-preferred Term	
Agencies			
Organisations		Use	
Agricultural chemicals			
Chemicals		Broader Term	
Pesticides		Narrower Term	
Agricultural industry			
Farms		Narrower Term	
Agriculture			
The science or practice of cultivating the soil or rearing animals.			
Farming		Non-preferred Term	
Land management		Related Term	
Crops		Narrower Term	
Aid			
Free material or financial assistance or other support given to an organisation, community or country.			
Developing countries		Related Term	
Disaster relief		Related Term	
Relief payments		Related Term	
AIDS			
Acquired immunodeficiency syndrome		Non-preferred Term	
Communicable diseases		Broader Term	
Blood			Related Term
HIV infections			Related Term
HIV			Related Term
Immunological deficiency syndrome			Related Term
Air attack			
Aerial fire fighting		Use	
Air force			
Defence forces		Broader Term	
Air inversion			
A meteorological condition in the earth's atmosphere in which the air some distance from the earth's surface is higher in temperature than at ground level.			
Meteorology		Broader Term	
Air medicine			
Aviation medicine		Use	
Air pollution			
Atmospheric pollution		Broader Term	
Pollution		Broader Term	
Air quality		Related Term	
Environmental impact		Related Term	
Air quality			
Air pollution		Related Term	
Air raid shelters			
Bomb shelters		Related Term	
Public shelters		Related Term	
Air sea rescue			
Rescue aircraft		Broader Term	
Rescue operations		Broader Term	
Search and rescue operations		Broader Term	
Air terminals			
Airport terminals		Use	
Air transportation			
Transportation		Broader Term	
Airbags, rescue equipment			
Rescue equipment		Broader Term	

Airbags, safety equipment

Airbags fitted in motor vehicles to provide protection to passengers in the event of a collision.

Safety equipment Broader Term

Aircraft

Airborne vehicles.

Aeroplanes	Non-preferred Term
Airplanes	Non-preferred Term
Aeronautics	Related Term
Aviation	Related Term
Balloons	Related Term
Aircraft explosions	Narrower Term
Airships	Narrower Term
Airtankers	Narrower Term
Helicopters	Narrower Term
Rescue aircraft	Narrower Term

Aircraft accidents

Occurrences during the operation of an aircraft in which any person involved suffers death or serious injury or in which the aircraft receives substantial damage.

Accidents Broader Term

Aircraft evacuation

Evacuation Broader Term

Aircraft explosions

Aircraft	Broader Term
Explosions	Broader Term

Aircraft fires

Airport fires	Related Term
Fires	Broader Term

Aircraft hangars

Airport terminals	Related Term
Airports	Broader Term

Aircraft refuelling

Refuelling Broader Term

Aircraft rescue

Rescue operations Broader Term

Airplanes

Aircraft Use

Airport fire appliances

Fire appliances Broader Term

Airport fire safety

Airports Broader Term

Airport fire services

Fire services Broader Term

Airport fires

Aircraft fires Related Term

Airport terminals

Air terminals	Non-preferred Term
Airports	Broader Term
Terminals, transportation	Broader term
Aircraft hangars	Related Term
Heliports	Related Term

Airports

Buildings	Broader Term
Aircraft hangars	Narrower Term
Airport fire safety	Narrower Term
Airport terminals	Narrower Term
Heliports	Narrower Term

Airships

Aircraft	Broader Term
Balloons	Narrower Term

Airtankers

Aircraft carrying water.
Aircraft Broader Term

Alarm systems

Alarms	Broader Term
Warning systems	Broader Term
Detection systems	Related Term
Distress signals	Related Term
Emergency warning systems	Related Term
Response time	Related Term
Security systems	Related Term
Fire alarms	Narrower Term

Alarms

Signals giving warning of danger.

Alerts	Related Term
Warnings	Related Term
Alarm systems	Narrower Term

Alerts

The period when it is believed that resources may be required which enables an increased level of preparedness.

Alarms	Related Term
Warnings	Related Term
State of alert	Narrower Term
Weather alerts	Narrower Term

Algae

Water quality	Related Term
Plants	Broader Term

All agencies approach

Integrated approach	Use
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All hazards approach

Dealing with all types of emergencies/disasters and civil defence using the same set of management arrangements.

Comprehensive approach	Use
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Ambulance driving

Motor vehicle driving	Broader Term
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Ambulance officers

Emergency service personnel	Broader Term
Emergency personnel	Related Term
Mobile intensive care units	Related Term
Paramedics	Related Term

Ambulance services

Emergency medical services	Broader Term
Emergency services	Broader Term
Collocation	Related Term
Mobile intensive care units	Related Term

Ambulance services training

Training	Broader Term
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Ambulance stations

Buildings	Broader Term
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Ambulance transport

Ambulances	Broader Term
Transport	Broader Term

Ambulances

Emergency vehicles	Broader Term
Patient transport	Related Term
Ambulance transport	Narrower Term

Ammunition

Hazardous materials	Broader Term
Arms factories	Related Term
Bombs	Related Term

Ammunition dumps

Hazardous materials storage	Broader Term
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Anatomy

The structure of an organism

Animal diseases

Veterinary medicine	Related Term
Zoonoses	Related Term
Bird diseases	Narrower Term
Exotic animal diseases	Narrower Term

Animal food supply

Animals	Related Term
Disaster relief, animal food supply	Narrower Term

Animal rescue

Animals	Related Term
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Animals

Fauna	Non-preferred Term
Wildlife	Non-preferred Term
Animal food supply	Related Term
Animal rescue	Related Term
Disaster relief, Animal food supply	Related Term
Carcases	Related Term
Exotic animal diseases	Related Term
Domestic animals	Narrower Term
Insects	Narrower Term

Antennas

Aerials	Non-preferred Term
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Appeals

Donation management	Related Term
Relief	Related Term
Disaster appeals	Narrower Term

Appliances

Device or equipment.	
Electrical appliances	Narrower Term
Fire appliances	Narrower Term

Architecture

Art or science of building.	
Building construction	Related Term
Building construction areas	Related Term
Buildings	Related Term
Earthquake resistant design	Narrower Term
Environmentally-sensitive areas	Narrower Term

Armed forces

Defence forces	Use
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Arms factories

Factories	Broader Term
Ammunition	Related Term

Army

Defence forces	Broader Term
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Arson

Fires	Broader Term
Fire investigation	Related Term
Incendiary devices	Related Term
Pyromania	Related Term
Insurance	Related Term

Artificial intelligence

Intelligence	Broader Term
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Asbestos

Carcinogens	Related Term
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Asbestos hazards

Hazards	Broader Term
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Assembly areas

Designated locations used for the assembly of emergency affected persons, or combat or support personnel. The area may also incorporate an emergency relief centre.

Evacuation areas	Related Term
Fire refuge areas	Related Term

Assessment centres

Disaster assessment	Related Term
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Associations, Institutions

Voluntary organisations	Related Term
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Atmosphere

Earth	Broader Term
Atmospheric pollution	Related Term
Climate	Related Term
Meteorology	Related Term
Atmospheric instability	Narrower Term
Atmospheric radiation	Narrower Term
Atmospheric turbulence	Narrower Term

Atmospheric instability

Atmosphere	Broader Term
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Atmospheric pollution

Contamination of the atmosphere by large quantities of gases, solids and radiation produced by the burning of natural and artificial fuels, chemicals and other industrial processes and nuclear explosions.

Atmosphere	Broader term
Pollution	Broader Term
Soil pollution	Related Term
Air pollution	Narrower Term

Atmospheric pressure

Pressure	Broader Term
Hyperbaric chambers	Related Term
Decompression sickness	Narrower Term

Atmospheric radiation

Atmosphere	Broader Term
Radiation	Broader Term

Atmospheric turbulence

Atmosphere	Broader Term
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Atomic bombs		
Nuclear weapons		Use
Australian aborigines		
Aborigines		Use
Australian Incident Management System		
Incident management systems		Broader Term
Authority		
Delegation of authority		Related Term
Automatic vehicle location		
Vehicles		Broader Term
Global positioning system		Related Term
Autopsies		
Post mortems		Non-preferred Term
Forensic medicine		Broader Term
Forensic sciences		Broader Term
Avalanche hazards		
Natural hazards		Broader Term
Avalanche rescue		
Rescue operations		Broader Term
Avalanches		
A mass of rock, ice or snow descending suddenly.		
Natural disasters		Broader Term
Geological hazards		Broader Term
Landslides		Related Term
Aviation		
Art or practice of operating aircraft.		
Aeronautics		Related Term
Aircraft		Related Term
Aviation medicine		
Air medicine		Non-preferred Term

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Back burn

Fires started from a prepared line or other barrier to burn an area of flammable material in the path of an advancing fire in order to control that fire.

Fire control	Broader Term
Controlled burning	Related Term

Back fill

The process through which a previously excavated hazardous waste site or trench, or other evacuation is filled with non-contaminated organic material and vegetation.

Backboards

Spineboards	Use
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Balloons

Airships	Broader Term
Meteorology	Related Term
Aircraft	Related Term
Hot air balloons	Narrower Term

Banks and Banking

Financial institutions	Use
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Barometric pressure

Cyclones	Related Term
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Barrages

Barriers across a stream provided with a series of gates or other control mechanisms to control the water surface level upstream, to regulate the flow or to divert water supplies into a canal.

Dams	Related Term
Weirs	Related Term

Basic life support

The provision of basic interventions to protect the airway, assist breathing and maintain the circulation without the use of drugs, defibrillation or advanced techniques.

Advanced life support	Related Term
Emergency medicine	Related Term
First aid	Related Term

Beaufort scale

A numerical scale for indicating the force or velocity of wind ranging from 0 for calm to 12 for hurricanes, or velocities about 120 km/hr.

Wind force	Related Term
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Behaviour

Human behaviour	Narrower Term
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Benchmarking

Management	Related Term
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Bereavement

Loss of loved ones by death.

Counselling	Related Term
Grief	Related Term
Grief counselling	Related Term
Death	Broader Term

Best practice

Management	Related Term
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Billeting

Catering	Related Term
Emergency accommodation	Related Term
Temporary accommodation	Related Term

Biological agent

A micro-organism which causes disease in man, plants, or animals or causes the deterioration of material.

Communicable disease	Related Term
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Biological disasters

Disaster caused by the exposure of living organisms to germs and toxic substances.

Disasters	Broader Term
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Biological hazardous wastes

Any substances of human or animal origin other than food wastes, which are to be disposed of and could harbour or transmit pathogenic organisms.

Wastes	Broader Term
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Biological hazards

Includes infectious and cytotoxic wastes.

Hazardous materials	Broader Term
Hazards	Broader Term
Biological wastes	Related Term

Biological warfare

Biowarfare	Non-preferred Term
Warfare	Broader Term
Nuclear warfare	Related Term
Pesticides	Related Term
Biological weapons	Narrower Term

Biological wastes

Biological hazards	Related Term
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Biological weapons

Biological warfare	Broader Term
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Biowarfare

Biological warfare	Use
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Bird diseases

Animal diseases	Broader Term
Diseases	Broader Term

Blackouts

Electricity supply	Broader Term
Brownouts	Related Term
Power failures	Related Term

Blast effects

Bombings	Related Term
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Blast injuries

Accidents, Wounds and Injuries	Broader Term
Wounds and Injuries	Broader Term

Blast wave

A pressure pulse formed by an explosion.

Shock wave	Non-preferred Term	Hypothermia	Related Term
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Blasts

Explosives	Related Term
Tunnelling	Related Term

BLEVE

Explosion normally associated with fires that involve compressed gases in cylinders, rapid rupture of a vessel caused by over-pressure accompanied by rapid burning of the tank contents.

Boiling liquid expanding vapour explosion	Non-preferred Term
Pressure burst	Non-preferred Term
Explosions	Broader Term
Liquefied petroleum gas explosions	Related Term
Liquefied petroleum gas fires	Related Term

Blizzards

Violent winter storms, lasting at least three hours, which combine below freezing temperatures and very strong wind laden with blowing snow that reduces visibility to less than 1 kilometre.

Snow storms	Broader Term
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Blood

AIDS	Related Term
Diseases	Related Term

Boats and Boating

Ships	Broader Term
Cargo ships	Related Term
Flood boats	Related Term
Sailing	Related Term
Fire boats	Narrower Term

Bodies

Corpses	Non-preferred Term
Dead bodies	Non-preferred Term
Carcasses	Related Term
Casualties	Related Term
Deaths	Related Term

Body temperature

Temperature	Broader Term
Heat stress	Related Term

Boiling liquid expanding vapour explosion

BLEVE Use

Bomb disposal

Bomb disposal units Related Term

Bomb disposal units

Bomb disposal Related Term

Bomb reconnaissance

Location, identification and application of safety measures as protection against unexploded bombs which have been set to detonate.

Civil defence Related Term

Bombs Broader Term

Bomb shelters

Shelters Broader Term

Air raid shelters Related Term

Nuclear bomb shelters Related Term

Bomb threats

Bombs Related Term

Bombing, aerial

Aerial bombing Use

Bombing, water

Water bombing Use

Bombings

Use of explosive devices for purposes of political terrorism, protest, etc.

Blast effects Related Term

Bombs Related Term

Terrorism Related Term

Bombs

High-explosive or incendiary material or smoke or gas etc in a container fired from a gun, or thrown or deposited by hand, or dropped from aircraft, and exploded by impact or by time mechanism.

Ammunition	Related Term
Bomb threats	Related Term
Bombings	Related Term
Explosives	Related Term
Bomb reconnaissance	Narrower Term
Hydrogen bombs	Narrower Term
Nuclear weapons	Narrower Term

Booms

Floating mechanical devices designed to control or divert oil.

Levees	Related Term
Spillage control	Related Term

Breathing apparatus

A personal respirator worn to provide protection from the hazards of gases, vapours, fumes and dusts.

Protective equipment	Broader Term
Respiration	Related Term
Respirators	Related Term

Bridge collapse

Structural failures	Related Term
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Bridge construction

Building construction	Related Term
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Bridge failures

Structural failures	Broader Term
Bridges	Related Term
Failures	Related Term

Bridges

Viaducts	Non-preferred Term
Bridge failure	Related Term

Brownouts

Electricity supply	Broader Term
Blackouts	Related Term
Power failures	Related Term

Building codes

Fire codes	Non-preferred Term
Codes	Broader Term
Building construction	Related Term
Legislation	Related Term
Liability	Related Term
Standards	Related Term

Building collapse

Building construction	Broader Term
Collapse	Broader Term
Structural failures	Related Term

Building construction

Process of construction.

Construction	Non-preferred Term
Structural design	Broader Term
Structural engineering	Broader Term
Bridge construction	Related Term
Architecture	Related Term
Building codes	Related Term
Construction industry	Related Term
Building materials	Narrower Term
Building collapse	Narrower Term

Building evacuation

Buildings	Broader Term
Evacuation	Broader Term

Building failures

Structural failures	Broader Term
Failures	Related Term

Building materials

Building construction	Broader Term
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Buildings

Structures	Non-preferred Term
Architecture	Related Term
Demolition	Related Term
Flood proofing	Related Term
Ventilation	Related Term
Airports	Narrower Term
Ambulance stations	Narrower Term
Building evacuation	Narrower Term
Churches	Narrower Term
Facilities management	Narrower Term
Factories	Narrower Term
Fire stations	Narrower Term
Fire towers	Narrower Term
High rise buildings	Narrower Term
Hospitals	Narrower Term
Industrial buildings	Narrower Term
Laboratories	Narrower Term
Office buildings	Narrower Term
Police stations	Narrower Term
Prisons	Narrower Term
Residential buildings	Narrower Term
Schools	Narrower Term
Service stations	Narrower Term

Bulletin boards

Electronic mail systems	Use
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Bunds

(a) Enclosures around plant or tanks to contain leakage or spillage.

(b) Embankments of earth, or a wall of brick, stone, concrete or other approved material which may form part or all of the perimeter of a compound.

Flood dams	Related Term
Levees	Related Term
Reservoirs	Related Term
Spillage control	Related Term

Burns and scalds

Chemical or thermal burns, the former caused by corrosive substances and the latter by cryogenic liquids or hot substances.

Accidents, wounds and injuries	Broader Term
Burns treatment	Related Term
Chemical burns	Related Term
Scalds	Narrower Term
Thermal burns	Narrower Term

Burns treatment

Burns and scalds	Related Term
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Bus accidents

Bus crashes	Non-preferred Term
Accidents	Broader Term
Buses	Related Term
Road accidents	Related Term

Bus crashes

Bus accidents	Use
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Buses

Coaches	Non-preferred Term
Motor vehicles	Broader Term
Bus accidents	Related Term

Bush fire damage

Fire damage	Broader Term
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Bush fire detection

Bush fire evacuation

Evacuation	Broader Term
Bush fire fighting	Related Term

Bush fire fighters

Wildfire fighters	Non-preferred Term
Fire fighters	Broader Term

Bush fire fighting

Bush fire evacuation	Related Term
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Bush fire prediction

Prediction	Broader Term
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Bush fire services

Emergency services	Broader Term
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Bush fires

Fires in open areas involving grass, scrub or forest.

Bushfires	Non-preferred Term
Fires	Broader Term
Grass fires	Related Term
Wildfires	Related Term
Crown fires	Narrower Term
Forest fires	Narrower Term

Bushfires

Bush fires	Use
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Business

Customer service	Related Term
Management	Related Term
Public relations	Related Term
Service evaluation	Related Term
Business continuity	Narrower Term
Business planning	Narrower Term
Business recovery	Narrower Term

Business continuity

Management for the continued availability of business services.

Business	Broader Term
Small business	Related Term

Business planning

Business	Broader Term
Planning	Broader Term
Small business	Related Term

Business recovery

Techniques and management principles to reduce the consequences of an event and return the business to an acceptable level of functioning.

Business	Broader Term
Small business	Related Term

C**Call signs**

The name assigned to a mobile or stationary radio user for communication purposes.

Radio communications	Related Term
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Carcasses

Animals	Related Term
Bodies	Related Term

Carcinogens

Agents which are responsible for the formation of a cancer.

Hazardous materials	Broader Term
Asbestos	Related Term

Cardio-pulmonary resuscitation

CPR	Use
Resuscitation	Broader Term

Cargo ship fires

Cargo ships	Broader Term
Fires	Broader Term

Cargo ships

Ships	Broader Term
Boats and boating	Related Term
Container ships	Related Term
Tanker ships	Related Term
Cargo ship fires	Narrower Term

Cars

Motor vehicles	Broader Term
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Case documentation

Case studies	Related Term
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Case studies

Case documentation	Related Term
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Casualties

Persons who are injured or killed as the result of an accident or emergency.

Victims	Broader Term
Bodies	Related Term
Disaster affected persons	Related Term
Fatalities	Related Term
Casualty documentation	Narrower term
Casualty identification	Narrower Term
Injured persons	Narrower Term
Mass casualties	Narrower Term

Casualty clearing stations

First aid post	Related Term
Triage, medicine	Related Term

Casualty documentation

Casualties	Broader Term
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Casualty identification

Casualties	Broader Term
Disaster victim identification	Related Term

Catastrophes

Disasters	Use
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Catering

Billeting	Related Term
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Cave rescue

Rescue operations	Broader Term
Caves	Related Term

Caves

Cave rescue	Related Term
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Cellular phones

Mobile telephones	Use
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Cellular telephone systems

Mobile telephones	Use
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Census

Official numbering of population.

Demographics	Broader Term
Population statistics	Related Term

Cervical collars

Medical equipment	Broader Term
Immobilisation	Related Term
Spineboards	Related Term

Chemical agents

Chemical hazards	Broader Term
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Chemical burns

Burns	Related Term
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Chemical carriers (tankers)

Chemical tankers	Use
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Chemical fires

Fires	Broader Term
Tanker fires	Related Term

Chemical hazards

Hazards involving chemicals or processes which may realise their potential through agencies such as fire, explosion, toxic or corrosive effects.

Hazardous materials	Broader Term
Hazards	Broader Term
Technological hazards	Broader Term
Chemical agents	Narrower Term

Chemical industry

Industries	Broader Term
Gas industry	Related Term
Chemical industry	
waste disposal	Narrower Term
Petrochemical industry	Narrower Term
Petroleum industry	Narrower Term

Chemical industry waste disposal

Chemical industry	Broader Term
Waste disposal	Broader Term

Chemical plants

Environmental risk	Related Term
Hazards	Related Term

Chemical pollutants

Environmental impact	Related Term
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Chemical spills	
Spills	Broader Term
Dispersing agents	Related Term
Chemical substances	
Chemicals	Use
Chemical tankers	
Chemical carriers	Non-preferred Term
Hazardous materials transportation	Broader Term
Tankers	Broader Term
Chemical warfare	
Warfare	Broader Term
Nuclear warfare	Related Term
Chemical weapons	
Weapons	Broader Term
Chemicals	
Chemical substances	Non-preferred Term
Hazardous materials	Broader Term
Agricultural chemicals	Narrower Term
Petrochemicals	Narrower Term
Chemists	
Pharmacies	Related Term
Children	
People from 3 - 12 years	
Adolescents	Related Term
Churches	
Buildings	Broader Term
Cities	
Towns	Related Term
Urban areas	Related Term
Citizen Band operators	
Radio operators	Broader Term
Citizen participation	
Public participation	Use
Civil defence	
The measures necessary to protect the civilian population of the State from the effects of enemy attack or hostilities and to help it recover from the immediate effects of a disaster or war-like act.	
Civil defense	Non-preferred Term
Bomb reconnaissance	Related Term
Emergency planning	Related Term
Emergency services	Related Term
Civil defense	
Civil defence	Use
Civil disorder	
A riot, violent protest, demonstration or illegal assembly that may affect public safety.	
Riots	Narrower Term
Civil emergencies	
State of insurrection.	
Emergencies	Broader Term
Civil rights	Related Term
Civil engineering	
Engineering	Broader Term
Civil protection	
Emergency management	Use
Civil rights	
Civil emergencies	Related Term
Civil service	
Public service	Use
Civil wars	
Insurrections	Related Term
Classification systems	
Labelling	Related Term
Claustrophobia	
Human behaviour	Broader Term
Clean-up	
Process of restoring a hazardous waste site or spill.	

Climate

Atmosphere	Related Term
Climatology	Related Term
Climatic changes	Narrower Term

Climate impact assessment

Change observed in the climate on a global, regional or sub-regional scale caused by natural processes and/or climatic changes. Changes observed in the climate on a global, regional or sub-regional scale caused by natural processes and/or human activity.

Climate	Broader Term
Desertification	Related Term
Global warming	Related Term
Greenhouse effect	Related Term

Climatic hazards

Natural hazards	Broader Term
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Climatology

Study of effect of factors relating to climate.

Climate	Related Term
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Clothing

Protective clothing	Narrower Term
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Coordination

The bringing together of agencies and elements to ensure effective response and recovery to emergencies. Is primarily concerned with the systematic acquisition and application of resources (agency, personnel and equipment) in accordance with the requirements imposed by the emergency or emergencies.

Command	Related Term
Control	Related Term

Coaches

Buses	Use
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Coal mines

Mines	Broader Term
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Coastal changes

Coasts	Related Term
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Coastal ecology

Ecology	Broader Term
Coastal ecology	Related Term
Coastal erosion	Related Term
Coastal impact	Related Term
Coasts	Related Term

Coastal erosion

Coastal ecology	Related Term
Coastal impact	Related Term

Coastal impact

Coastal ecology	Related Term
Coastal erosion	Related Term

Coastal zone management

Coastal zones	Broader Term
Zones	Broader Term
Coasts	Related Term

Coastal zones

Zones	Broader Term
Coasts	Related Term
Coastal zones management	Narrower Term

Coasts

Coastal changes	Related Term
Coastal ecology	Related Term
Coastal zone management	Related Term
Coastal zones	Related Term

Codes

Signs	Related Term
Building codes	Narrower Term
Colour codes	Narrower Term
Identification codes	Narrower Term
Injury codes	Narrower Term

Cold

Frostbite	Related Term
Hypothermia	Related Term
Shivering	Related Term

Cold storage

Refrigeration plants	Related Term
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Collapse

The physical deformation of a structure to the point where it no longer fulfils its intended purpose.

Building collapse Narrower Term

Collective behaviour

Crowd behaviour Non-preferred Term
Human behaviour Broader Term
Crowds Related Term

Collocation

Ambulance services Related Term
Fire services Related Term
Police services Related Term

Colour codes

Codes Broader Term

Combat agencies

Lead agencies Use

Combustible liquids

Liquids having a flash point and which are not flammable liquids.

Combustible materials Broader Term
Flammable liquids Related Term

Combustible materials

Hazardous materials Broader Term
Flammable materials Related Term
Combustible liquids Narrower Term
Combustible solids Narrower Term

Combustible solids

Combustible materials Broader Term

Combustion

(a) Consumption of fuels by oxidation, giving out heat, and generally flame and/or incandescence. (b) The process of burning.

Spontaneous combustion Narrower Term

Combustion products

Smoke Narrower Term

Command

The direction of members and resources of an organisation in the performance of the organisation's role and tasks.

Coordination Related Term
Command systems Related Term
Control Related Term

Command systems

Systems for managing incidents by setting down the chain of command and allocating tasks etc.

Command Related Term
Incident control systems Related Term

Commander

An officer appointed by an agency, responsible for command of their personnel

Communicable diseases

An infectious condition that can be transmitted from one living person or animal to another through a variety of channels, according to the nature of the disease.

Infectious diseases Non-preferred Term
Diseases Broader Term
Infection Broader Term
Biological agent Related Term
Immunisation Related Term
Notifiable diseases Related Term
HIV Narrower Term
AIDS Narrower Term

Communication

Conflict management Related Term
Conflict resolution Related Term
Counselling Related Term
Gesture Related Term
Group think Related Term
Management Related Term
Communication skills Narrower Term
Non-verbal communication Narrower Term
Risk communication Narrower Term
Translation Narrower Term

Communication centres

Communications	Broader Term
Computer aided dispatch	Related Term
Control centres	Related Term
Emergency operations centres	Narrower Term

Communication skills

Communication	Broader Term
Interpersonal skills	Related Term
Nonverbal communication	Related Term

Communications

Signals	Related Term
Communication centres	Narrower Term
Disaster communications	Narrower Term
Electronic mail	Narrower Term
Emergency communications	Narrower Term
Radio communications	Narrower Term
Telecommunications	Narrower Term

Communications systems

Control centres	Related Term
Police communication systems	Narrower Term

Community

A group with a commonality of association and generally defined by location, shared experience or function.

Community awareness	Related Term
Community education	Related Term
Community health	Related Term
Community preparedness	Related Term
Community safety	Related Term

Community awareness

Adult education	Related Term
Community	Related Term
Community education	Related Term
Education	Related Term
Public education	Related Term
Public participation	Related Term
Public awareness	Broader Term

Community education

Adult education	Related Term
Community	Related Term
Community awareness	Related Term
Community preparedness	Related Term
Disaster education	Related Term
Education	Related Term
Public education	Related Term

Community health

Community	Related Term
Environmental health	Related Term
Community health services	Narrower Term

Community health services

Community health	Broader Term
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Community preparedness

Emergency preparedness	Broader Term
Community	Related Term
Community education	Related Term
Disaster education	Related Term
Public awareness	Related Term

Community recovery

Recovery	Use
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Community recovery committees

Committees which may be convened after an emergency to provide a management forum for the recovery process in respect of an affected area or a specific community.

Recovery	Broader Term
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Community safety

Community	Related Term
Public safety	Related Term

Compensation

Insurance	Related Term
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Competencies

Skills and knowledge required to complete a specific task.

Personnel management	Broader Term
Competency standards	Narrower Term

Competency standards

Standards of performance expressed in 'units of competency' applicable to a 'range of variables' where Unit means a broad component of work. A competency standard is applicable to a range of variables and spells out the range of contexts and conditions to which the performance criteria apply.

Competencies Broader Term

Comprehensive approach

The development of emergency and disaster arrangements to embrace the aspects of prevention, preparedness, response and recovery (PPRR).

All hazards approach Non-preferred Term
Integrated emergency management Related Term

Compressed air

Gases Broader Term

Compression garments

Medical emergencies Related Term

Computer aided design

Computers Broader Term.

Computer aided dispatch

Use of computer-based technology to assist emergency services organisations to dispatch and monitor the provision of services.

Communication centres Related Term
Control centres Related Term
Emergency medical dispatch Related Term
Dispatch Narrower Term

Computer assisted instruction

Teaching Broader Term

Computer communications

Computer networks Related Term

Computer networks

Computer communications Related Term

Computer programs

Computers Broader Term
Geographic information systems Narrower Term
Global positioning systems Narrower Term

Computers

Databases Related Term
Information management Related Term
Computer aided design Narrower Term
Computer programs Narrower Term

Confidentiality

Ethics Related Term
Human rights Related Term
Privacy Related Term

Confined space

Trench rescue Related Term

Confined space rescue

Rescue operations Broader Term
Extrication Related Term
Confined space Related Term

Conflagrations

Large and destructive fires.
Mass fires Broader Term
Fire storms Related Term

Conflict management

Exercise of various approaches to resolution of conflicts.

Communication Related Term
Emergency management Related Term
Conflict resolution Narrower Term

Conflict resolution

Conflict management Broader Term
Communication Related Term
Emergency management Related Term
Industrial relations Related Term

Consent

Informed consent Narrower Term

Conservation

Preservation Related Term

Soil conservation	Narrower Term		
Conservation movement			
Environmental movement	Related Term		
Conservationists	Related Term		
Conservationists			
Environmental movement	Related Term		
Construction			
Building construction	Use		
Construction industry			
Building construction	Related Term		
Container ships			
Ships	Broader Term		
Cargo ships	Related Term		
Contaminated land			
Environmental impact	Related Term		
Contamination			
(a) Invasion of a person or animal by pathogenic germs.			
(b) Presence of an infectious agent on inanimate articles such as clothes, surgical instruments, dressings, water, milk, food.			
Pollution	Related Term		
Contingency planning			
Plans	Broader Term		
Contingency plans	Related Term		
Crisis management plan	Related Term		
Disaster plans	Related Term		
Response planning	Related Term		
Contingency plans			
Plans for specified conditions.			
Plans	Broader Term		
Crisis management plans	Related Term		
Disaster plans	Related Term		
Emergency plans	Related Term		
Incident management plans	Related Term		
Continuing education			
Education	Broader Term		
Adult education	Related Term		
Control			
The overall direction of response and recovery activities in an emergency situation.			
Coordination	Related Term		
Command	Related Term		
Control agencies			
Agencies nominated to control the response activities to a specified type of emergency.			
Support agencies	Narrower Term		
Control areas			
Declared areas in an exotic animal disease emergency in which defined conditions apply to the movement into, out of, and within specified animals or things.			
Zones	Broader Term		
Exclusion Areas	Related Term		
Restricted Areas	Related Term		
Zone management	Related Term		
Control centres			
Communication centres	Related Term		
Communications systems	Related Term		
Computer-aided dispatch	Related Term		
Emergency control centres	Related Term		
Emergency operations centres	Related Term		
Controlled burning			
Man-made and controlled fires for the purposes of hazard reduction or forest regeneration.			
Back burn	Related Term		
Fuel reduction	Related Term		
Prescribed burning	Related Term		
Hazard reduction	Related Term		
Convergence			
The propensity for emergency services personnel and others to be physically drawn to an emergency site.			
Cooperation			
Emergency services cooperation	Narrower Term		

Cooperation, interagency

Interagency cooperation	Non-preferred Term
Emergency services	
Cooperation	Narrower term

Coping strategies

Disaster psychology	Broader Term
Disaster victims	Broader Term

Cordage

Lifelines	Related Term
Rope rescue	Related Term

Coroners

Inquests	Related Term
Coronial enquiries	Related Term

Coronial inquiries

Coroners	Related Term
Inquests	Related Term

Corpses

Bodies	Use
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Corrosion

The gradual deterioration of material by chemical processes such as oxidation or attack by acids.

Corrosive materials

Materials which, by chemical action, will cause severe damage in contact with living tissue, or will damage or even destroy other materials, especially metals (Dangerous Goods Class 8).

Corrosive substances	Non-preferred Term
Hazardous materials	Broader Term
Corrosive materials transport	Narrower Term
Corrosive materials storage	Narrower Term

Corrosive materials storage

Corrosive materials	Broader Term
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Corrosive materials transport

Corrosive materials	Broader Term
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Corrosive substances

Corrosive materials	Use
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Cost benefit analysis

Cost effectiveness	Related Term
Financial management	Related Term

Cost effectiveness

Financial management	Broader Term
Cost benefit analysis	Related Term

Counselling

The provision of psychological support and advice to persons involved in an accident.

Bereavement	Related Term
Communication	Related Term
Crisis intervention	Related Term
Critical incident stress	Related Term
Defusing	Related Term
Emotional support	Related Term
Post traumatic stress	Related Term
Stress, physiology	Related Term

Counter disaster management

Emergency management	Use
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Country areas

Rural areas	Use
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CPR

Cardio-pulmonary resuscitation	Non-preferred Term
Resuscitation	Broader Term

Crashes

Accidents	Use
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Creeks

Rivers	Broader Term
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Crime

Act punishable by law.

Law enforcement	Related Term
Shooting	Related Term
Vandalism	Related Term
Victims of crime	Related Term
Violence	Related Term

Crises			
Times of danger and suspense.			
Disasters	Related Term		
Emergency management	Related Term		
Crisis intervention	Narrower Term		
Crisis intervention			
Crises	Broader Term		
Counselling	Related Term		
Emotional support	Related Term		
Crisis management			
Emergency management	Use		
Crisis management plans			
Emergency plans	Use		
Critical incident stress			
An acute stress reaction caused by exposure to a traumatic event.			
Critical incidents	Broader Term		
Stress, physiology	Broader Term		
Counselling	Related Term		
Critical incident stress management	Related Term		
Post traumatic stress	Related Term		
Traumatic stress	Related Term		
Critical incident stress debriefing			
The process of ensuring the welfare of emergency service and other personnel following a potentially traumatic incident.			
Debriefing	Related Term		
Post traumatic stress debriefing	Related Term		
Psychological debriefing	Related Term		
Trauma counselling	Related Term		
Critical incident stress management			
Critical incident stress	Related Term		
Critical incidents			
Situations faced by emergency workers that cause them to experience unusually strong emotional reactions which have the potential to interfere with their ability to function either at the scene or later.			
Critical incident stress	Narrower Term		
Crops			
Agriculture	Broader Term		
Crowd behaviour			
Collective behaviour	Use		
Crowd control			
Spectator control	Non-preferred Term		
Crowds	Related Term		
Crowd management			
Fear	Related Term		
Human behaviour	Related Term		
Crowds			
Collective behaviour	Related Term		
Crowd control	Related Term		
Crowd behaviour	Related Term		
Demonstrations	Related Term		
Human behaviour	Related Term		
Riots	Related Term		
Crown fires			
Bush fires	Broader Term		
Crush injuries			
Accidents, Wounds and injuries	Broader Term		
Wounds and injuries	Broader Term		
Crush syndrome	Narrower Term		
Crush syndrome			
Shock state after crush injury usually accompanied by kidney injury.			
Crush injuries	Broader Term		
Cryogenic materials			
Hazardous materials	Broader Term		
Customer service			
Business	Related Term		
Management	Related Term		
Cyclone damage			
Damage	Broader Term		
Wind damage	Related Term		

Cyclone forecasts

Forecasting Broader Term

Cyclone tracking
Tropical cyclonesNarrower Term
Narrower Term

Cyclone plans

Plans Broader Term

Cyclone preparedness

Cyclones Broader Term

Preparedness Broader Term

Cyclone surges

Storm surges Use

Cyclone tracking

Cyclones Broader Term

Cyclone warning

A message released by a tropical cyclone warning centre (TCWC) when the existence of a cyclone or a developing disturbance with potential to develop into a cyclone exists and is expected to cause at least gale force winds in the coastal areas within 24 hours.

Cyclone warning systems Narrower Term

Cyclone warning systems

Cyclone warning Broader Term

Warning systems Broader Term

Cyclones

Large scale closed circulation systems in the atmosphere with low barometric pressure and strong winds that rotate counterclockwise in the northern hemisphere and clockwise in the southern hemisphere. The system is referred to as a 'cyclone' in the Indian Ocean and South Pacific, 'hurricane' in the western Atlantic and eastern Pacific and 'typhoon' in the western Pacific.

Natural disasters Broader Term

Weather hazards Broader Term

Barometric pressure Related Term

Hurricanes Related Term

Monsoons Related Term

Tornadoes Related Term

Typhoons Related Term

Cyclone preparedness Narrower Term

D

Dam collapse

Dam failure Related Term

Dam failure warning systems

Dam failure Broader Term
Warning systems Broader Term

Dam failure

The uncontrolled release of the contents of dams through collapse of the dam or some part of it, or the inability of a dam to perform functions such as water supply, prevention of excessive seepage or containment of hazardous substances.

Dams Broader Term
Dam collapse Related Term
Failures Related Term
Dam failure warning systems Narrower Term

Damage assessment

(a) A report on the extent of damage caused by a damaging event.
(b) The act of making such a report.

Damage classification Narrower Term
Impact assessment Narrower Term

Damage classification

Evaluation and recording of damage to structures, facilities or objects according to categories of "severe damage", "moderate damage" and "light damage".

Damage assessment Broader Term

Damage

Harm to an inanimate object which disrupts its intended functional continuity.

Cyclone damage Narrower Term
Earthquake damage Narrower Term
Flood damage Narrower Term
Fire damage Narrower Term
Smoke damage Narrower Term
Storm damage Narrower Term
Water damage Narrower Term
Wind damage Narrower Term

Dams

Barrages Related Term
Flood dams and reservoirs Related Term
Levees Related Term
Reservoirs Related Term
Spillways Related Term
Weirs Related Term
Dam failure Narrower Term

Dangerous goods

Substances which are either specifically listed in the ADG Code or meet the classification criteria of the ADG Code.

Dangerous substances Non-preferred Term
Hazardous materials Broader Term

Dangerous substances

Dangerous goods Use

Databases

Computers Related Term

Dead bodies

Bodies Use

Death

Bereavement Narrower Term

Deaths

Bodies Related Term
Fatalities Related Term
Homicide Related Term
Morbidity rate Related Term
Mortality Related Term
Mortality rate Related Term
Drowning Narrower Term
Suicide Narrower Term

Debriefing

The process of sharing the good and bad points of the response to an incident as a means to improving any future planning and responses.

Critical incident stress
 debriefing Related Term
Defusing Related Term
Post traumatic stress
 debriefing Narrower Term

Psychological debriefing	Narrower Term		
Debris			
Space debris	Narrower Term		
Disaster debris	Narrower Term		
Declaration of disaster			
State of disaster	Related Term		
State of emergency	Related Term		
Decompression chambers			
Chambers in which the pressure can be varied in which persons who have been subjected to abnormal pressure remain while returning gradually to atmospheric pressure.			
Decompression sickness	Related Term		
Decompression sickness			
Atmospheric pressure	Broader Term		
Decompression chambers	Related Term		
Diving	Related Term		
Diving injuries	Related Term		
Decontamination			
The process of reducing and preventing the spread of contamination from persons and equipment used at a dangerous goods incident.			
Disinfection	Related Term		
Defence forces			
Armed forces	Non-preferred Term		
Military services	Non-preferred Term		
Air force	Narrower Term		
Army	Narrower Term		
Navy	Narrower Term		
Defence forces assistance			
Military aid	Non-preferred Term		
Military assistance	Non-preferred Term		
Military bases	Related Term		
Defibrillation			
Defibrillators	Narrower Term		
Defibrillators			
Defibrillation	Broader Term		
Medical equipment	Broader Term		
Deflagration			
The chemical oxidation reaction (burning) of hydrocarbon material in which the reaction front advances into the unreacted material at less than sonic velocity.			
Detonation	Related Term		
Explosions	Related Term		
Deforestation			
The clearing or destruction of a previously forested area.			
Forestry	Related Term		
Defusing			
An informal opportunity for emergency workers to spontaneously interact with their fellow workers after response to an emergency to assist in removing the cause of tension from the event.			
Counselling	Related Term		
Debriefing	Related Term		
Emotional support	Related Term		
Degradation			
Environmental degradation	Narrower Term		
Dehydration			
Removal of water			
Heat	Related Term		
Delegation of authority			
Personnel management	Broader Term		
Authority	Related Term		
Deluge			
Inundation with heavy rain.			
Rain and rainfall	Broader Term		
Storms	Related Term		
Demography			
Statistical studies of conditions of life in communities, eg. births, deaths.			
Population	Related Term		
Sociology	Related Term		
Urbanisation	Related Term		
Census	Narrower Term		
Population density	Narrower Term		
Population statistics	Narrower Term		

Demolition			
Destruction of a building or structure.			
Buildings		Related Term	
Levees		Related Term	
Demonstrations			
Crowds		Related Term	
Desalination			
Salination		Related Term	
Desertification			
The processes by which an already arid area becomes more barren, less capable of retaining vegetation, and progressing towards becoming a desert.			
Climatic changes		Related Term	
Environmental change		Related Term	
Erosion		Related Term	
Despatch			
Dispatch		Use	
Detection systems			
Alarm systems		Related Term	
Detectors			
Response time		Related Term	
Gas detectors		Narrower Term	
Detonation			
An explosion caused by the rapid chemical reaction of a substance at sonic velocity and in association with a shock wave in which the flame front moves in excess of sonic speed.			
Deflagration		Related Term	
Explosions		Related Term	
Explosives		Related Term	
Developing countries			
Aid		Related Term	
Disaster relief		Related Term	
Diagnosis			
Health risk assessment		Related Term	
Patient assessment		Related Term	
Dikes			
Levels		Broader Term	
Directives			
Policy and guidance documents.			
Procedures		Related Term	
Disabled persons			
Handicapped		Related Term	
Intellectually handicapped persons		Related Term	
Physically handicapped		Narrower Term	
Disaster affected persons			
People, groups or organisations that may experience benefit or harm as a result of a hazard, or of the process leading to risk characterisation, or of a decision about risk.			
Affected persons		Non-preferred Term	
Disaster victims		Related Term	
Casualties		Related Term	
Emergency affected persons		Related Term	
Disaster appeals			
Appeals		Broader Term	
Disaster areas			
A geographical part of the State or Territory in which a state of emergency or disaster exists.			
Disaster management		Related Term	
Emergency areas		Related Term	
Exclusion areas		Related Term	
Disaster assessment			
Survey of real or potential disasters to estimate actual or expected damages and to make recommendations for prevention, preparedness and response.			
Assessment centres		Related Term	
Monitoring		Related Term	
Reconnaissance		Related Term	
Disaster assistance			
Disaster relief		Related Term	
Disaster communications			
Communications		Broader Term	

Disaster debris		Mitigation	Broader Term
Debris	Broader Term	Hazard mitigation	Related Term
Disaster education		Disaster planning	
Community education	Related Term	Disaster plans	Related Term
Community preparedness	Related Term	Emergency management	Related Term
Public awareness	Related Term	Disaster plans	
Disaster exercises		Documented schemes of assigned responsibilities, actions and procedures, required in the event of an emergency and may be called emergency plans in some states.	
Exercises	Broader Term	Plans	Broader Term
Disaster insurance		Contingency plans	Related Term
Insurance	Broader Term	Disaster plans	Related Term
Disaster management		Emergency plans	Related Term
The body of policy and administrative decisions and operational activities which pertain to the various stages of a disaster at all levels.		Recovery plans	Related Term
Disaster areas	Related Term	Displans	Narrower Term
Disaster prevention	Related Term	Flood plans	Narrower Term
Emergency management	Related Term	Operational planning	Narrower Term
Incident management	Related Term	Local government disaster plans	Narrower Term
Movement control	Related Term	Disaster preparedness	
Remote areas	Related Term	Disaster management	Broader Term
Disaster mitigation	Narrower Term	Emergency management	Broader Term
Disaster preparedness	Narrower Term	Preparedness	Broader Term
Disaster recovery	Narrower Term	Disaster prevention	
Disaster response	Narrower Term	Regulatory and physical measures to ensure that emergencies are prevented, or their effects mitigated.	
Staging areas	Narrower Term	Disasters	Broader Term
Disaster medicine		Emergency management	Broader Term
The study and collaborative application of various health disciplines to the prevention, preparedness, response and recovery from the health problems arising from disaster.		Disaster management	Related Term
Emergency medicine	Related Term	Mitigation	Related Term
Epidemiology	Related Term	Disaster psychology	
Mass casualty management	Related Term	Psychology	Broader Term
Pre-hospital care	Related Term	Disaster victim psychology	Related Term
Triage, medicine	Related Term	Coping strategies	Narrower Term
Disaster mitigation			
Measures taken in advance of a disaster aimed at decreasing or eliminating its impact on society and environment.			
Disaster reduction	Non-preferred Term		
Disaster management	Broader Term		

Disaster recovery

The coordinated process of supporting disaster affected communities in reconstruction of the physical infrastructure and restoration of emotional, social, economic and physical well-being.

Disaster management	Broader Term
Emergency management	Broader Term
Recovery	Related Term
Disaster response	Related Term
Recovery plans	Related Term
Welfare	Related Term
Disaster recovery services	Narrower Term
Disaster relief	Narrower Term
Recovery management	Narrower Term

Disaster recovery services

Disaster recovery	Broader Term
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Disaster reduction

Disaster mitigation	Use
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Disaster relief

The provision of immediate shelter, life support and human needs of persons affected by, or responding to, an emergency.

Disaster recovery	Broader Term
Relief	Broader Term
Aid	Related Term
Developing countries	Related Term
Disaster assistance	Related Term
Disaster welfare services	Related Term
Nominated agencies	Related Term
Rehabilitation	Related Term

Disaster relief, Animal food supply

Animal food supply	Broader Term
Animals	Related Term

Disaster relief, Financial aspects

Finance	Related Term
Financial planning	Narrower Term
Financial policy	Narrower Term

Disaster research

Disasters	Broader Term
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Disaster response

Actions taken in anticipation of, and immediately after an emergency to ensure that its effects are minimised, and that people affected are given immediate relief and support.

Disaster management	Broader Term
Disaster recovery	Related Term
Emergency response	Related Term
Lead time	Related Term
Response agency	Narrower Term

Disaster victim counselling

Disaster victims	Broader Term
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Disaster victim identification

Procedures used to positively identify deceased victims of multiple-casualty emergencies.

Identification	Non-preferred Term
Victim identification	Non-preferred Term
Disaster victims	Broader Term
Casualty identification	Related Term

Disaster victim legal status

Disaster victims	Broader Term
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Disaster victim medical care

Disaster victims	Broader Term
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Disaster victim psychology

Disaster victims	Broader Term
Psychology	Broader Term
Disaster psychology	Related Term

Disaster victims

Victims	Broader Term
Disaster affected persons	Related Term
Coping strategies	Narrower Term
Disaster victim counselling	Narrower Term
Disaster victim identification	Narrower Term
Disaster victim legal status	Narrower Term
Disaster victim medical care	Narrower Term
Disaster victim psychology	Narrower Term

Disaster vulnerability

Vulnerability	Broader Term
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Disaster warningsWarnings Related Term

Disaster welfare services

Welfare support Broader Term

Disaster relief Related Term

Personal support services Related Term

Disasters

Conditions or situations of significant destruction, disruption and/or distress to a community.

Catastrophes Non-preferred Term

Crises Related Term

Emergencies Related Term

Hazards Related Term

Post disaster mitigation Related Term

Post disaster operations Related Term

State of disaster Related Term

Biological disasters Narrower Term

Disaster prevention Narrower Term

Disaster research Narrower Term

Natural disasters Narrower Term

Oil disasters Narrower Term

Socio-technological disasters Narrower Term

Technological disasters Narrower Term

Discharge

The rate of flow of water measured in terms of volume per unit time.

Floods Related Term

DiscriminationRacism Related Term

Disease control

All policies, precautions and measures taken to prevent the outbreak or spread of communicable diseases.

Diseases Broader Term

Disease notificationNotifiable diseases Related Term

Disease surveillance

Health systems used to monitor, observe and evaluate on a continuing basis the progress of disease with the view to preventing or curing it.

Diseases Related Term

Diseases

Blood Related Term

Disease surveillance Related Term

Endemic diseases Related Term

Enteric diseases Related Term

Epidemics Related Term

Infections Related Term

Infectious diseases Related Term

Plagues Related Term

Bird diseases Narrower Term

Disease control Narrower Term

Communicable diseases Narrower Term

Morbidity Narrower Term

Notifiable diseases Narrower Term

Plant diseases Narrower Term

Zoonoses Narrower Term

Disinfection

Destruction of disease causing organisms.

Decontamination Related Term

Sterilisation Related Term

Dislocation

Separation of persons from home or community.

Evacuation Related Term

Dispatch

(a) The act of ordering attack crews and/or support units to respond to a fire, or from one place to another.

(b) The activation of emergency services and other resources to respond to requests for assistance.

Despatch Non-preferred Term

Computer aided dispatch Broader Term

Mobilisation Related Term

Emergency medical dispatch Narrower Term

Dispersing agents

Chemical formulations containing non-ionic surface active agents that lower the interfacial tension between oil and water and enable the oil film to break up more easily under the natural wave action or mechanical agitation.

Chemical spills	Related Term
Oil spills	Related Term

Dispersion

The process of dilution of a hazardous substance with the surrounding fluid.

Hazardous materials	Related Term
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Displaced persons

Persons who, for different reasons or circumstances, have been compelled to leave their homes. They may or may not reside in their country of origin, but are not legally regarded as refugees.

Evacuees	Related Term
Refugees	Related Term
Refugees health	Related Term

Displans

Disaster plans	Broader Term
Emergency plans	Related Term

Distress signals

Devices intended for signalling, warning or rescue.

Alarm systems	Related Term
Flares	Related Term

Diving

Decompression sickness	Related Term
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Diving injuries

Accidents, wounds and injuries	Broader Term
Wounds and injuries	Broader Term
Decompression sickness	Related Term

Docks

Ports	Related Term
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Domestic animals

Animals	Broader Term
Pets	Related Term

Donation management

Appeals	Related Term
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Dosimeters

Instruments for measuring and registering total accumulated exposure to ionising radiation.

Radiation	Broader Term
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Down bursts

Violent and damaging down-draught reaching the surface, associated with a severe thunderstorm.

Micro bursts	Related Term
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Drainage

Flood control	Related Term
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Drenchers

Water curtains	Related Term
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Drilling platforms

Oil well drilling rigs	Related Term
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Drilling rigs

Drilling platforms	Related Term
Gas wells	Related Term
Offshore drilling rigs	Related Term
Oil wells	Related Term

Drills

Methods of training through the repetitive execution of an action or series of actions.

Emergency drills	Related Term
Exercises	Related Term
Mock disaster training	Related Term
Simulation training	Related Term
Table top exercises	Related Term
Training	Related Term
Evacuation drills	Narrower Term
Fire drills	Narrower Term

Drinking water

Potable water	Non-preferred Term
Water	Broader Term

Drought forecasting

Drought forecasts Related Term

Drought forecasts

Forecasting Broader Term

Drought reliefRelief Broader Term
Droughts Related Term

DroughtsNatural disasters Broader Term
Drought relief Related Term
El Nino Related Term
Famines Related Term

DrowningDeaths Broader Term
Water rescue Related Term

Drug abuse

Drugs Broader Term

DrugsMedications Related Term
Drug abuse Narrower Term

Dust

Small solid particles that settle out under their own weight but that may remain suspended for some time.

Gases Related Term
Vapours Related Term
Dust explosions Narrower Term
Dust fires Narrower Term

Dust explosionsDusts Broader Term
Explosions Broader Term

Dust firesDusts Broader Term
Fires Broader Term

Dust storms

Dust/sand energetically lifted by strong and turbulent winds.

Storms Broader Term

Duty of care

Negligence Related Term

Dwellings

Housing Use

E

E-mail

Electronic mail	Use
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Early warning systems

Warning systems	Broader Term
Flood warning systems	Related Term

Earth

Earth tremors	Related Term
Earthquakes	Related Term
Atmosphere	Narrower Term

Earth tremors

Earthquakes	Broader Term
Earth	Related Term

Earthquake damage

Damage	Broader Term
Earthquakes	Broader Term

Earthquake engineering

Earthquakes	Broader Term
Engineering	Broader Term

Earthquake hazard analysis

Earthquakes	Broader Term
Hazard analysis	Broader Term
Zonation	Related Term

Earthquake hazards

Natural hazards	Broader Term
Tsunamis	Related Term

Earthquake insurance

Earthquakes	Broader Term
Insurance	Broader Term

Earthquake intensity

A measure of ground shaking obtained from the damage done to structures built by humans, changes in the Earth's surface and felt reports.

Earthquake magnitude	Related Term
Earthquakes	Related Term

Earthquake magnitude

A quantity that is characteristic of the total energy released by an earthquake, in contrast to 'intensity' which subjectively describes earthquake effects at a particular place.

Earthquake intensity	Related Term
Earthquakes	Related Term

Earthquake prediction

Earthquakes	Broader Term
Prediction	Broader Term

Earthquake preparedness

Earthquakes	Broader Term
Preparedness	Broader Term

Earthquake resistant design

Architecture	Broader Term
Earthquakes	Broader Term

Earthquake risk

The probability of earthquakes of given magnitude occurring in a region.

Seismic risk	Non-preferred Term
Earthquakes	Broader Term

Earthquake safety

Seismic safety	Non-preferred Term
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Earthquake warning systems

Warning systems	Broader Term
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Earthquakes

The vibrations of the Earth caused by the passage of seismic waves radiating from some source of elastic energy.

Natural disasters	Broader Term
Earth	Related Term
Earthquake intensity	Related Term
Earthquake magnitude	Related Term
Liquefaction	Related Term
Richter scale	Related Term
Seismic zones	Related Term
Seismometers	Related Term
Seismology	Related Term
Tremors	Related Term
Aftershocks	Narrower Term
Earth tremors	Narrower Term

Earthquake damage	Narrower Term
Earthquake engineering	Narrower Term
Earthquake hazard analysis	Narrower Term
Earthquake prediction	Narrower Term
Earthquake resistant design	Narrower Term
Earthquake preparedness	Narrower Term
Earthquake risk	Narrower Term
Epicentre	Narrower Term
Fault, geology	Narrower Term
Insurance, earthquake	Narrower Term

Earthwork excavation

Shafts, Evacuation	Narrower Term
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Ecological risk

Environmental risk	Broader Term
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Ecology

Environmental degradation	Related Term
Coastal ecology	Narrower Term

Ecosystems

Interacting systems of biological communities, both plant and animal and their non-living surroundings.

Environment	Related Term
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Education

Adult education	Related Term
Community awareness	Related Term
Community education	Related Term
Examinations	Related Term
Teaching	Related Term
Training	Related Term
Continuing education	Narrower Term
In-service training	Narrower Term
Occupational training	Narrower Term
Safety education	Narrower Term
Table top exercises	Narrower Term
Training courses	Narrower Term
Training exercises	Narrower Term
Training facilities	Narrower Term
Training needs analysis	Narrower Term
Training programs	Narrower Term

Effluents

(a) Discharges or outflows of water from ground drainage system or subsurface storage facility.

(b) Solid, liquid, or gas wastes which enter the environment as a by-product of man-oriented processes.

Pollution	Related Term
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Egress

A route of travel from any point inside a building or area to a point outside the building or area.

Access	Related Term
Escape routes	Related Term
Evacuation	Related Term
Exits	Related Term

El Niño

An anomalous warming of ocean water resulting from the oscillation of a current in the South Pacific.

Droughts	Related Term
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Elderly persons

Aged	Use
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Electric shock

Shock	Broader Term
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Electrical appliances

Appliances	Broader Term
Electricity	Broader Term

Electrical burns

Electricity	Related Term
Electrocution	Related Term

Electricity

Electrical burns	Related Term
Electrical appliances	Narrower Term
Electricity supply	Narrower Term

Electricity supply

Electricity	Broader Term
Power supply	Broader Term
Blackouts	Narrower Term
Brownouts	Narrower Term
Power failures	Narrower Term

ElectrocutionElectrical burns Related Term

Electronic mailEmail Non-preferred Term
Communications Broader Term
Electronic mail systems Related Term
Internet Related Term

Electronic mail systemsBulletin boards Non-preferred Term
Email systems Non-preferred Term
Electronic mail Related Term

ElevatorsLifts Non-preferred Term

Email systemsElectronic mail systems Use

EmbankmentsLevees Narrower Term

EmblemsInsignia Related Term

Emergencies

Events, actual or imminent, which endanger or threaten to endanger life, property or the environment, and which require a significant and coordinated response.

Disasters Related Term
Emergency drills Related Term
Emergency grants Related Term
Emergency medicine Related Term
Emergency shelters Related Term
Emergency services Related Term
Emergency supplies Related Term
Food aid Related Term
Hazards Related Term
Medical emergencies Related Term
Civil emergencies Narrower Term
Emergency accommodation Narrower Term
Emergency communications Narrower Term
Emergency housing Narrower Term
Emergency power supply Narrower Term
Emergency preparedness Narrower Term
Emergency relief Narrower Term

Emergency vehicles Narrower Term
Emergency response Narrower Term
Environmental emergencies Narrower Term
Explosions Narrower Term

Emergency accommodationEmergencies Broader Term
Billeting Related Term
Emergency housing Related Term
Shelters Related Term
Evacuation centres Related Term
Temporary accommodation Related Term

Emergency affected persons

People, other than emergency management personnel, who experience losses or injury or are affected by an emergency. Usually understood to exclude the dead.

Disaster affected persons Related Term

Emergency areas

An area from which it is necessary to exclude persons due to the size, nature or location of an emergency, so as to ensure public safety, security of evacuated premises, or the safety of, or prevention of obstruction, hindrance or interference to persons engaging in emergency activity.

Disaster areas Related Term
Exclusion areas Related Term

Emergency careEmergency medicine Broader Term

Emergency communicationsCommunications Broader Term
Emergencies Broader Term

Emergency control centresControl centres Related Term

Emergency coordination centresEmergency operations Use
centres

Emergency drillsDrills Related Term
Emergencies Related Term

Emergency grants

The provision of finances to affected persons as dictated by government policy, during emergency relief.

Emergency relief	Broader Term
Emergencies	Related Term
Relief payments	Related Term

Emergency housing

Emergencies	Broader Term
Emergency accommodation	Related Term
Temporary accommodation	Related Term
Temporary housing	Related Term

Emergency lighting

Lighting	Broader Term
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Emergency management

A range of measures to manage risks to communities and the environment.

Civil protection	Non-preferred Term
Counter disaster management	Non-preferred Term
Crisis management	Non-preferred Term
Conflict management	Related Term
Conflict resolution	Related Term
Crises	Related Term
Disaster management	Related Term
Emergency management measures	Related Term
Emergency response	Related Term
Logistics	Related Term
Management	Related Term
Movement control	Related Term
Registration	Related Term
Remote areas	Related Term
Disaster planning	Narrower Term
Disaster preparedness	Narrower Term
Disaster prevention	Narrower Term
Disaster recovery	Narrower Term
Staging areas	Narrower Term

Emergency management competencies

Emergency services volunteers	Related Term
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Emergency management measures

Measures encompassing the assessment, corrective and protective actions taken during the course of an emergency condition.

Emergency measures	Non-preferred Term
Emergency management	Related Term

Emergency management systems

Integrated approach - preparedness, prevention, response.

Emergency management	Broader Term
Emergency management competencies	Narrower Term

Emergency management volunteers

Emergency services volunteers	Use
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Emergency measures

Emergency management measures	Use
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Emergency medical dispatch

Dispatch	Broader Term
Computer aided dispatch	Related Term

Emergency medical personnel

Medical personnel	Broader Term
Emergency medical services	Related Term
Emergency medicine	Related Term
Emergency service personnel	Related Term
Field medical teams	Related Term

Emergency medical services

The aggregate of various resources and personnel necessary to deliver medical care to those with an unpredicted immediate need outside a hospital and continued care once in an established emergency facility.

Emergency services	Broader Term
Medical services	Broader Term
Emergency medical personnel	Related Term
Emergency medicine	Related Term
Ambulance services	Narrower Term

Emergency medical training

Emergency medicine Training	Related Term
Training	Broader Term

Emergency medicine

The study of emergency medical conditions and their management.

Medicine	Broader Term
Advanced life support	Related Term
Basic life support	Related Term
Disaster medicine	Related Term
Emergencies	Related Term
Emergency medical personnel	Related Term
Emergency medical services	Related Term
Emergency medical training	Related Term
Medical emergencies	Related Term
Triage (Medicine)	Related Term
Emergency care	Narrower Term
First aid	Narrower Term

Emergency operations centres

A facility or building from which emergency operations are managed.

Emergency coordination centres	Non-preferred Term
Communication centres	Broader Term
Control centres	Related Term

Emergency operations manual

A document containing specific, step-wise instructions on carrying out emergency operational procedures.

Emergency plans	Related Term
Standard operating procedures	Related Term

Emergency personnel

Ambulance officers	Related Term
Fire fighters	Related Term
Employees	Related Term
Medical personnel	Related Term
Police officers	Related Term
State Emergency Services (SES)	Related Term
Territory Emergency Services	Related Term
Emergency service personnel	Narrower Term

Emergency planning

Civil defence	Related Term
Operational Planning	Narrower Term

Emergency planning zones

Zones designated around nuclear powered warship berths and anchorages for planning purposes to assist in the identification of areas where hazards might arise.

Emergency plans	Broader Term
Zones	Broader Term

Emergency plans

An agreed set of arrangements for preventing, mitigating, preparing for, responding to and recovering from an incident or emergency, involving the definition of responsibilities, the analysis of resources and the definition of command control structures. May be called disaster plans in some states.

Crisis management plans	Non-preferred Term
Plans	Broader Term
Contingency plans	Related Term
Disaster plans	Related Term
Displans	Related Term
Emergency operations manual	Related Term
Mutual aid	Related Term
Emergency planning zone	Narrower Term
Flood plans	Narrower Term
Functional plans	Narrower Term
Inner perimeter	Narrower Term

Emergency power supply

Emergencies	Broader Term
Power supplies	Broader Term
Emergency supplies	Related Term

Emergency preparedness

Arrangements to ensure that, should an emergency occur, all those resources and services which are needed to cope with the effects can be efficiently mobilised and deployed.

Emergencies	Broader Term
Preparedness	Broader Term
Community preparedness	Narrower Term

Emergency procedures

A set of directions detailing what actions should be taken, as well as how, when, by whom and why, for specific emergency events.

Standard operating procedures	Related Term
Emergency recovery teams	
Emergency response	Broader Term
Emergency relief	
The provision of immediate life support and human needs of persons affected by, or responding to an emergency.	
Emergencies	Broader Term
Relief	Broader Term
Material needs	Related Term
Emergency grants	Narrower Term
Emergency relief centres	Narrower Term
Emergency relief centres	
Centres established to provide groups of persons with any or all of the services, of the function areas of Emergency Relief.	
Emergency relief	Broader Term
Evacuation centres	Related Term
Emergency response	
Action taken in anticipation of, during and immediately after an emergency to ensure that its effects are minimised, and that people affected are given immediate relief and support.	
Emergencies	Broader Term
Response	Broader Term
Emergency coordination centre	Related Term
Disaster response	Related Term
Emergency management	Related Term
Functional areas	Related Term
Incident management	Related Term
Lead time	Related Term
Emergency recovery teams	Narrower Term
Emergency response teams	Narrower Term
Recovery management	Narrower Term
Response Agency	Narrower Term
Emergency response teams	
Emergency response	Broader Term

Emergency service personnel	
Emergency personnel	Broader Term
Emergency services	Broader Term
Volunteers	Broader Term
Emergency medical personnel	Related Term
Ambulance officers	Narrower Term
Emergency services volunteers	Narrower Term
Fire fighters	Narrower Term
Paramedics	Narrower Term
Police	Narrower Term
Emergency services	
Agencies responsible for the protection and preservation of life and property from harm resulting from incidents and emergencies.	
Civil defence	Related Term
Emergencies	Related Term
Employees	Related Term
Public relations	Related Term
Ambulance services	Narrower Term
Emergency medical services	Narrower Term
Bush fire services	Narrower Term
Emergency service personnel	Narrower Term
Fire services	Narrower Term
Police services	Narrower Term
Welfare services	Narrower Term
Rescue services	Narrower Term
Emergency services cooperation	
Cooperation	Broader Term
Partnerships	Related Term
Emergency services volunteers	
Emergency management volunteers	Non-preferred Term
Emergency service personnel	Broader Term
Volunteers	Broader Term
Emergency management competencies	Related Term

Emergency shelters

Group shelters provided for affected persons in a community hall or similar. They are part of emergency relief stage and are different from temporary accommodation.

Shelters	Broader Term
Emergencies	Related Term
Evacuation centres	Related Term
Temporary housing	Related Term

Emergency supplies

The provision of resources in emergencies to response agencies, by other than their internal resource acquisition systems.

Emergencies	Related Term
Emergency power supply	Related Term

Emergency vehicles

Emergencies	Broader Term
Vehicles	Broader Term
Ambulances	Narrower Term
Fire appliances	Narrower Term
Police vehicles	Narrower Term
Rescue appliances	Narrower Term

Emergency warning systems

Alarm systems	Related Term
Flood warnings	Related Term
Natural disaster warning systems	Narrower Term

Emergency workers

Workers	Related Term
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Emotional support

Counselling	Related Term
Crisis intervention	Related Term
Defusing	Related Term
Emotions	Related Term

Emotions

Emotional support	Related Term
Fear	Narrower Term
Grief	Narrower Term

Employees

Emergency personnel	Related Term
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Emergency services	Related Term
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Endemic diseases

The usual presence or prevalence of a disease in a given geographical area.

Diseases	Related Term
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Engineering

Civil engineering	Narrower Term
Earthquake engineering	Narrower Term

Enteric diseases

A general term for a variety of infectious intestinal diseases due to a number of known causes or unknown causes transmitted through various mechanisms.

Diseases	Related Term
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Entry

Access	Use
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Environment

(a) The complex of physical, chemical and biological agents which may impact on a person or the community.

(b) The air, water and earth, sometimes called the biosphere.

Ecosystems	Related Term
Environmental degradation	Narrower Term
Environmental change	Narrower Term
Environmental emergencies	Narrower Term
Environmental health	Narrower Term
Environmental movement	Narrower Term
Environmental risk	Narrower Term

Environmental change

Environment	Broader Term
Desertification	Related Term
Environmental degradation	Narrower Term

Environmental degradation

Unfavourable modification of the ecological state and environment through natural processes and/or human activities.

Environment	Broader Term
Environmental change	Broader Term
Ecology	Related Term

Environmental emergencies

Emergencies	Broader Term
Environment	Broader Term

Environmental health

The science that aims at creating the environmental conditions most conducive to health.

Environment	Broader Term
Health	Broader Term
Public health	Related Term

Environmental health officer

A term used to identify a Health Inspector/Surveyor, Public Health Officer, Sanitary Engineer, Engineer Hygiene officer and Preventative Medicine Officer.

Public health	Related Term
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Environmental impact

Air pollution	Related Term
Chemical pollutants	Related Term
Contaminated land	Related Term
Water pollution	Related Term
Environmental impact assessment	Narrower Term
Environmental impact statements	Related Term

Environmental impact assessment

Environmental impact	Broader Term
Environmental impact statements	Narrower Term

Environmental impact statements

Environmental impact	Broader Term
Environmental impact assessment	Related Term

Environmental impact studies

Studies undertaken in order to assess the effect on a specified environment of the introduction of any new factor which may upset the ecological balance.

Environmental risk	Related Term
Environmental risk assessment	Related Term

Environmental movement

Green movement	Non-preferred Term
Environment	Broader Term
Conservation movement	Related Term
Conservationists	Related Term

Environmental pollution

Pollution	Broader Term
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Environmental risk

Risks to natural ecosystems or to the beauty or amenity of the natural world.

Environment	Broader Term
Risk	Broader Term
Chemical plants	Related Term
Environmental impact studies	Related Term
Environmentally-sensitive Areas	Related Term
Ecological risk	Narrower Term
Environmental risk assessment	Narrower Term

Environmental risk assessment

Environmental impact studies	Related Term
Environmental risk	Related Term

Environmentally-sensitive areas

Environmental risk	Related Term
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Epicentre

A point on the Earth's surface directly above the focus of an earthquake.

Earthquakes	Broader Term
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Epidemics

Unusual increases in the number of cases of an infectious disease which already exists in an endemic state in the region or population concerned.

Diseases	Related Term
Epidemiology	Related Term
Infestation	Related Term
Plagues	Related Term

Epidemiology

The medical discipline that studies the influence of such factors as the life style, biological constitution and other personal or

social determinants on the incidence and distribution of disease.

Disaster medicine	Related Term
Epidemics	Related Term

Equipment

Machinery	Related Term
Extrication equipment	Narrower Term
Rescue equipment	Narrower Term

Erosion

Loosening or dissolving and removal of rock or soil as a result of water, ice or wind action.

Desertification	Related Term
Soil erosion	Narrower Term

Escape behaviour

Human behaviour	Related Term
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Escape routes

Access	Related Term
Egress	Related Term
Evacuation	Related Term
Exits	Related Term

Ethics

Confidentiality	Related Term
Human rights	Related Term

Evacuation

The planned relocation of persons from dangerous or potentially dangerous areas to safer areas and eventual return.

Access	Related Term
Dislocation	Related Term
Egress	Related Term
Escape routes	Related Term
Relocation	Related Term
Resettlement	Related Term
Exits	Related Term
Aeromedical evacuation	Narrower Term
Aircraft evacuation	Narrower Term
Building evacuation	Narrower Term
Bush fire evacuation	Narrower Term
Evacuation systems	Narrower Term
Mass evacuation	Narrower Term

Evacuation areas

Areas surrounding an emergency incident in which personnel and/or residents may be subject to ready removal in case of necessity.

Assembly areas	Related Term
Fire refuge areas	Related Term
Shelters	Related Term

Evacuation centres

Centres that provide affected people with basic human needs including accommodation, food and water.

Emergency relief centres	Related Term
Emergency accommodation	Related Term
Emergency shelters	Related Term
Reception centres	Related Term

Evacuation drills

Drills	Broader Term
Evacuation of civilians	Related Term
Fire Drills	Related Term

Evacuation of civilians

Evacuation drills	Related Term
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Evacuation plans

Evacuation procedures	Related Term
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Evacuation procedures

Evacuation plans	Related Term
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Evacuation systems

Evacuation	Broader Term
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Evacuees

Displaced persons	Related Term
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Event tree

The diagram produced by an incident sequence analysis.

Fault tree	Related Term
Frequency	Related Term

Events

Incidents or situations which occur in a particular place during a particular interval of time.

Incidents	Related Term
Olympic Games	Related Term
Special events	Narrower Term

Evidence

Evidence, expert	Narrower Term
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Evidence, expert

Evidence	Broader Term
Witnesses	Related Term

Examinations

Tests	Non-preferred Term
Education	Related Term
Inspections	Related Term
Testing	Related Term

Exclusion areas

Areas surrounding a particular site wherein all but authorised personnel may be prohibited.

Control areas	Related Term
Disaster areas	Related Term
Emergency areas	Related Term
Restricted areas	Related Term

Exercise

Realistically planned simulations of an incident, designed and coordinated in such a manner that the response of the emergency organisation and other personnel closely approximates the response to the actual incident.

Drills	Related Term
Fire drills	Related Term
Mock disaster training	Related Term
Simulation methods	Related Term
Disaster exercises	Narrower Term
Table top exercises	Narrower Term
Training exercises	Narrower Term

Exits

Egress	Related Term
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Exotic animal diseases

Diseases affecting animals, which may include man, which do not presently occur in Australia.

Animal diseases	Broader Term
Animals	Related Term
Quarantine	Related Term
Vectors	Related Term
Zoonoses	Related Term

Expert evidence

Expert witnesses	Non-preferred Term
Witness	Related Term
Evidence	Broader Term

Expert witnesses

Expert evidence	Use
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Explosion overpressure

Overpressure	Use
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Explosions

Sudden release of large amounts of energy in a destructive manner at a velocity of a few metres per second.

Emergencies	Broader Term
Deflagration	Related Term
Detonation	Related Term
Explosives	Related Term
Ignition	Related Term
Aircraft explosions	Narrower Term
BLEVE	Narrower Term
Dust explosions	Narrower Term
Gas explosions	Narrower Term
Nuclear explosions	Narrower Term

Explosives

Substances, whether or not contained in a device specially prepared, which are manufactured with a view to producing a practical effect by explosion or a pyrotechnic effect, or any other substance which, by reason of the nature of its explosive properties is to be treated as such.

Hazardous materials	Broader Term
Blasts	Related Term
Bombs	Related Term
Detonation	Related Term
Explosions	Related Term

Explosives transportation	Narrower Term
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Explosives transportation

Explosives	Broader Term
Hazardous materials transportation	Related Term

Exposure hazard

The risk of fire spreading from a building, structure or other property to a nearby building or structure, or other part of the same building or structure, by radiated heat across the intervening space.

Exposure, Medical radiographic	Broader Term
Radiant heat	Related Term

Exposure, Medical radiographic

(a) The circumstances of being exposed to radiation

(b) Defined dosimetric quantity now no longer used for radiation protection purposes.

Exposure hazard	Narrower Term
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Extinguishants

Halon	Narrower Term
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Extinguishing systems

Response time	Related Term
Fire sprinklers	Narrower Term

Extrication

Confined space rescue	Related Term
Immobilisation	Related Term
Motor vehicle rescue	Related Term
Rescue operations	Related Term
Extrication equipment	Narrower Term

Extrication equipment

Equipment	Broader Term
Extrication	Broader Term

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Facilities management

Buildings	Broader Term
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Factories

Buildings	Broader Term
Industrial buildings	Related Term
Arms factories	Narrower Term

Factors

Risk factors	Narrower Term
Structural factors	Narrower Term
Time factors	Narrower Term

Fail safe

A failure mode where hazardous or otherwise harmful effects are minimal.

Failures	Broader Term
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Failure rate

The frequency with which a component, equipment or system fails.

Failures	Broader Term
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Failures

Conditions of a component, equipment or system, in which the design intention is not met.

Bridge failures	Related Term
Building failures	Related Term
Dam failures	Related Term
Fail safe	Narrower Term
Failure rate	Narrower Term
Systems failure	Narrower Term

Fallout shelters

Radioactive, fallout	Broader Term
Shelters	Broader Term

Famines

Catastrophic food shortages, affecting large numbers of people due to climatic environmental and socio-economic reasons.

Droughts	Related Term
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Farming

Agriculture	Use
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Farms

Agricultural industry	Broader Term
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Fatalities

Casualties	Related Term
Deaths	Related Term
Investigations	Related Term
Victims	Related Term

Fatigue

Stress, Physiology	Related Term
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Fault, Geology

A fracture or zone of fractures in rock along which the two sides have been displaced relative to each other parallel to the fracture.

Earthquakes	Broader Term
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Fault tree

The logic diagram used in fault tree analysis, that traces an undesirable event back to its cause or causes.

Event tree	Related Term
Frequency	Related Term
Fault tree analysis	Narrower Term

Fault tree analysis

A systems engineering method for representing the logical combinations of various system states and possible causes which can contribute to a specified event (called the 'top event').

Fault tree	Broader Term
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Fauna

Animals	Use
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Fear

Emotions	Broader Term
Human behaviour	Broader Term
Crowd management	Related Term
Panic	Related Term

Fee for service

Finance	Broader Term
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FerriesShips Broader Term

Field medical teams

Teams of experienced doctors and nurses, usually sent from a hospital, to provide on-site assessment and emergency treatment of casualties prior to transfer. One member of each team is appointed Medical Team Leader.

Emergency medical personnel Related Term

Finance

Funding Non-preferred Term

Disaster relief - financial aspects Related Term

Fund Raising Related Term

Management Related Term

Fee for service Narrower Term

Financial institutions Narrower Term

Fire levies Narrower Term

Financial management Narrower Term

Financial planning Narrower Term

Financial policy Narrower Term

Financial institutions

Banks and Banking Non-preferred Term

Finance Broader Term

Financial management

Finance Broader Term

Cost benefit analysis Related Term

Cost effectiveness Narrower Term

Financial planning

Disaster relief, financial aspects Broader Term

Finance Broader Term

Financial policy

Disaster relief - financial aspects Broader Term

Finance Broader Term

FireFlames Related Term

Fire alarms

Components and apparatus for giving an audible, visible, or other perceptible alarm of fire, and which may also initiate other action.

Fire detectors Non-preferred Term

Alarm systems Broader Term

Fires Related Term

Fire appliances

A generic term used to describe any fire fighting vehicle or specialist vehicle used by fire services to combat fires or other emergencies.

Fire engines Non-preferred Term

Appliances Broader Term

Emergency vehicles Broader Term

Fire boats Related Term

Rescue appliances Related Term

Aerial appliances Narrower Term

Airport fire appliances Narrower Term

Fire bansFire restrictions Broader Term

Fire boats

Powered vessels equipped for fighting fires.

Boats and boating Broader Term

Fire appliances Related Term

Fire breaks

Any natural or constructed discontinuity in a fuel bed used to congregate, stop and control the spread of a wildfire, or to provide a fireline from which to suppress a fire.

Fires Broader Term

Fire brigadesFire services Use

Fire codesBuilding codes Use

Fire controlBack burn Narrower Term

Fire cover

The standard of response to a fire in a particular area. "Standards of Fire Cover".

Response Related Term

Fire damage

Damage	Broader Term
Fires	Related Term
Bush fire damage	Narrower Term
Smoke damage	Narrower Term

Fire danger period

Fire hazards	Related Term
Fire weather	Related Term

Fire departments

Fire services	Use
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Fire detectors

Fire alarms	Use
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Fire drills

Practice drills for fire fighters and occupants of a site to accustom them to their duties in case of a fire.

Drills	Broader Term
Evacuation drills	Related Term
Exercises	Related Term
Training	Related Term

Fire engines

Fire appliances	Use
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Fire fighters

People whose activity or employment is to extinguish fires; members of fire services.

Emergency service personnel	Broader Term
Emergency personnel	Related Term
Bush fire fighters	Narrower Term

Fire fighting

Fire fighting operations	Use
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Fire fighting operations

Fire fighting	Non-preferred Term
Fire fighting techniques	Non-preferred Term
Fires	Broader Term
Foam	Related Term
Infrared cameras	Related Term
Urban fire detection	Related Term

Fire fighting techniques

Fire fighting operations	Use
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Fire hazards

Any fuel which if ignited, may be difficult to extinguish.

Hazards	Broader Term
Fires	Related Term
Fire risk	Related Term
Fire danger periods	Related Term
Fire load	Narrower Term

Fire incident reporting systems

Incident reporting systems	Use
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Fire insurance

Fires	Broader Term
Insurance	Broader Term

Fire investigation

Arson	Related Term
Fires	Related Term

Fire levies

Finance	Broader Term
Fire services	Related Term

Fire load

The total amount of combustible material expressed in heat units.

Fire hazards	Broader Term
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Fire prevention

All pre-fire activities designed to reduce fuel quantities, remove known hazards, and prepare properties for the possibility of fires occurring so that the fire development and spread is minimised and property damage is mitigated.

Fire protection	Related Term
Fires	Related Term

Fire protection

Provisions made to detect, suppress or limit the spread of fires and particularly design features of buildings aimed at limiting the spread of fire from the area of origin.

Fires	Broader Term
Fire prevention	Related Term
Legislation	Related Term
Liability	Related Term
Standards	Related Term

Fire refuge areas

Areas which people may seek shelter from the danger of fire.

Fire shelters	Non-preferred Term
Refuge fire shelters	Non-preferred Term
Assembly areas	Related Term
Evacuation areas	Related Term

Fire reporting systems

Accident reporting systems	Use
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Fire restrictions

Fire bans	Narrower Term
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Fire risk

(a) A building, structure or object considered especially likely to catch fire, or one which would be especially unsafe in a fire.

(b) The risk of loss by fire.

(c) The obligation of an insurer to cover the loss caused.

Fire hazards	Related Term
Fuel load	Narrower Term

Fire services

Fire brigades	Non-preferred Term
Fire departments	Non-preferred Term
Emergency services	Broader Term
Collocation	Related Term
Fire levies	Related Term
Airport fire services	Narrower Term

Fire shelters

Fire refuge areas	Use
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Fire sprinklers

Extinguishing system	Broader Term
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Fire stations

Buildings	Broader Term
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Fire storms

Large, rapidly-developing fires covering a large area, characterised by an air system of great power and velocity.

Fires	Broader Term
Storms	Broader Term
Conflagrations	Related Term

Fire towers

Lookouts in the bush for detecting bush fires.

Buildings	Broader Term
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Fire wardens

Wardens	Use
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Fire weather

Fire danger period	Related Term
Weather	Related Term

Fireballs

Balls of flaming gas.

Fires	Broader Term
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Fires

Natural disasters	Broader Term
Accelerants	Related Term
Fire alarms	Related Term
Fire damage	Related Term
Fire hazards	Related Term
Fire investigation	Related Term
Aircraft fires	Narrower Term
Arson	Narrower Term
Bush fires	Narrower Term
Cargo ship fires	Narrower Term
Dust fires	Narrower Term
Fire balls	Narrower Term
Fire breaks	Narrower Term
Fire fighting operations	Narrower Term
Fire insurance	Narrower Term
Fire protection	Narrower Term
Fire storms	Narrower Term
Forest fires	Narrower Term
Grass fires	Narrower Term
Interface fires	Narrower Term
Liquefied petroleum gas fires	Narrower Term
Metal fires	Narrower Term
Spot fires	Narrower Term
Tanker ship fires	Narrower Term
Wildfires	Narrower Term

Fireworks

Pyrotechnics	Non-preferred Term
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First aid

Immediate and temporary care given on site to the victims of an accident or sudden illness in order to avert complications, lessen suffering and sustain the person until competent services or a physician can be obtained.

Emergency medicine	Broader Term
Accidents, wounds and injuries	Related Term
Advanced life support	Related Term
Basic life support	Related Term
Triage, medicine	Related Term
Wound and injuries	Related Term

First aid post

Casualty clearing stations	Related Term
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Flames

Fire	Related Term
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Flammable gases

Hazardous materials	Related Term
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Flammable liquids

Liquids which are capable of being ignited and burning in air and which meet the criteria of the ADG Code.

Combustible liquids	Related Term
Flammable materials storage	Related Term
Hazardous materials	Related Term
Liquid fuels	Related Term

Flammable materials

Flammable solids	Non-preferred Term
Flammable substances	Non-preferred Term
Inflammable materials	Non-preferred Term
Combustible materials	Related Term
Hazardous materials	Related Term
Petrochemicals	Related Term

Flammable materials storage

Hazardous materials	Broader Term
Flammable liquids	Related Term
Hazardous materials storage	Related Term

Flammable materials transport

Hazardous materials transportation	Broader Term
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Flammable solids

Flammable materials	Use
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Flammable substances

Flammable materials	Use
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Flares

Distress signals	Related Term
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Flash floods

Floods of short duration with a relatively high peak discharge with no advance warning.

Floods	Broader Term
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Flood boats

Vessels used for rescue, evacuation and resupply purposes.

Boats and boating	Related Term
Flood rescue	Related Term

Flood bulletins

Flood warnings	Broader Term
Flood height	Related Term
Flood levels	Related Term
Flood stage	Related Term

Flood control

The management of water resources through construction of dams, reservoirs, embankments, etc. to avoid floods.

Drainage	Related Term
Flood hydrograph	Related Term
Flood mitigation	Related Term
Floods	Related Term
Levees	Related Term

Flood damage

The tangible and intangible costs of flooding.

Damage	Broader Term
Flood levels	Related Term
Flood loss	Related Term
Floods	Related Term
Water damage	Related Term

Flood dams and reservoirs

Reservoirs	Broader Term
Bunds	Related Term
Dams	Related Term

Floods	Related Term		
Flood forecasts			
Prediction of the stage, discharge, beginning and duration of a flood, especially of the peak discharge at a specific point on a stream resulting from precipitation and/or snow melt.			
Flood forecasts	Related Term		
Flood predictions	Related Term		
Flood warnings	Related Term		
Floods	Related Term		
Forecasting	Related Term		
Flood frequency analysis			
Floods	Related Term		
Flood frequency curve			
A graphical representation of the relationship between peak flood discharge and exceedance probability.			
Floods	Related Term		
Flood frequency distribution			
Floods	Related Term		
Flood gauge			
Flood levels	Related Term		
Flood height			
Flood bulletins	Related Term		
Flood levels	Related Term		
Flood stage	Related Term		
Floods	Related Term		
Flood hydrograph			
A graphical representation of the flood discharge with respect to time for a particular point on a stream or river.			
Flood control	Related Term		
Hydrograph	Related Term		
Flood insurance			
Insurance	Broader Term		
Flood loss	Related Term		
Floods	Related Term		
Flood levels			
Flood bulletins	Related Term		
Flood damage	Related Term		
Flood gauge	Related Term		
Flood height	Related Term		
Flood stage	Related Term		
Flood loss			
Flood damage	Related Term		
Flood insurance	Related Term		
Flood mitigation			
Flood control	Related Term		
Flood plans	Related Term		
Floodplain management	Related Term		
Floodplain zoning	Related Term		
Floods	Related Term		
Mitigation	Broader Term		
Flood plans			
Plans	Broader Term		
Disaster plans	Related Term		
Emergency plans	Related Term		
Flood mitigation	Related Term		
Flood predictions			
Prediction	Broader Term		
Flood forecasts	Related Term		
Flood proofing			
A combination of measures incorporated in the design, construction and alteration of individual buildings or structures subject to flooding, to reduce or eliminate flood damages.			
Buildings	Related Term		
Flood reports			
Floods	Broader Term		
Flood rescue			
Rescue operations	Broader Term		
Flood boats	Related Term		

Flood stage

That stage, on a fixed river gauge, at which the overflow of the natural banks of a stream begins to cause damage in any portion of the reach for which the gauge is used as an index.

Flood bulletins	Related Term
Flood height	Related Term
Flood levels	Related Term
Floods	Related Term

Flood warning systems

Warning systems	Broader Term
Early warning systems	Related Term
Floods	Related Term

Flood warnings

Statements by the Bureau of Meteorology including all or part of the following terms for particular catchments:

- (a) A summary of the current meteorological situation and expected developments
 (b) A summary of the rainfall which has occurred or is expected
 (c) River heights at key locations
 (d) The class of flooding that is expected; and/or
 (e) River heights.

Warning systems	Broader Term
Warnings	Broader Term
Emergency warning systems	Related Term
Flood forecasts	Related Term
Floods	Related Term
Flood bulletins	Narrower Term
Preliminary flood warning	Narrower Term

Floodgates

Floods	Related Term
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Floodplain management

Techniques available to reduce flood damage and disruption

Floodplains	Broader Term
Flood mitigation	Related Term
Floods	Related Term

Floodplain zoning

A plan that defines the main zones of a potential flood area.

Floodplains	Broader Term
Flood mitigation	Related Term

Floodplains

The land which may be covered by water when the river overflows its banks during floods.

Floods	Related Term
Floodplain management	Narrower Term
Floodplain zoning	Narrower Term

Floods

The overflowing by water of the normal confines of a stream or other body of water, or the accumulation of water by drainage over areas which are not normally submerged.

Natural disasters	Broader Term
Discharge	Related Term
Flood control	Related Term
Flood damage	Related Term
Flood dams and reservoirs	Related Term
Flood forecasts	Related Term
Flood frequency analysis	Related Term
Flood frequency curve	Related Term
Flood frequency distribution	Related Term
Flood height	Related Term
Flood mitigation	Related Term
Flood insurance	Related Term
Flood stage	Related Term
Flood warning systems	Related Term
Flood warnings	Related Term
Floodgates	Related Term
Floodplain management	Related Term
Floodplains	Related Term
Hydrology	Related Term
Runoff	Related Term
Flood reports	Narrower Term
Flash floods	Narrower Term

Foam

(a) A stable aggregation of small bubbles, whose properties are such that the foam may be used as a flame-smothering blanket, or to prevent the entry of air, or to suppress vapour

(b) A fire extinguishing medium consisting of a mass of stable bubbles formed in a liquid by chemical or other mechanical means.

Fire fighting operations Related Term

Fog

Weather hazards Broader Term

FOI

Freedom of Information Use

Food

Food adulteration and inspection Related Term

Food contamination Related Term

Food hazards Related Term

Food poisoning Related Term

Food shortages Related Term

Food supplies Related Term

Food adulteration and inspection

Food Inspection Non-preferred Term

Food Related Term

Food contamination Related Term

Food surveillance Related Term

Food aid

Assistance rendered on an organised basis, either free or on concessional terms, to provide food to a population group, community or country suffering from food shortage or insufficient development.

Food relief Non-preferred Term

Emergencies Related Term

Food supplies Related Term

Nutrition Related Term

Relief Related Term

Food contamination

Food Related Term

Food adulteration and inspection Related Term

Food hazards

Food Related Term

Food inspection

Food adulteration and inspection Use

Food poisoning

Poisoning Broader Term

Food Related Term

Food relief

Food aid Use

Food shortages

Food Related Term

Food supplies Related Term

Food supplies

Food Related Term

Food aid Related Term

Food shortages Related Term

Food surveillance

Food adulteration and inspection Related Term

Forecasting

Statements or statistical estimates of the occurrence of a future event.

Flood forecasts Related Term

Prediction Related Term

Cyclone forecasts Narrower Term

Drought forecasts Narrower Term

Long-range weather forecasting Narrower Term

Tsunami warning systems Narrower Term

Weather forecasts Narrower Term

Foreign aid

International relief Narrower Term

Forensic dentistry

Forensic odontology Non-preferred Term

Forensic medicine

Autopsy Narrower Term

Forensic odontology		
Forensic dentistry	Use	
Forensic sciences		
Autopsies	Narrower Term	
Forest fires		
Fires burning mainly in forest or woodland.		
Bush fires	Broader Term	
Fires	Broader Term	
Forest management		
Forests	Broader Term	
Forestry		
Deforestation	Related Term	
Trees	Related Term	
Forests		
Wilderness areas	Related Term	
Rainforest management	Narrower Term	
Rainforests	Narrower Term	
Freedom of Information		
FOI	Non-preferred Term	
Management	Related Term	
Freeways		
Motorways	Non-preferred Term	
Roads	Broader Term	
Highways	Related Term	
Frequency		
A measure of likelihood expressed as the number of occurrences of an event in a given time.		
Event tree	Related Term	
Fault tree	Related Term	
Related Term	Related Term	
Frequency analysis		
Probability analysis	Use	
Frost		
Weather hazards	Broader Term	
Frostbite	Narrower Term	
Frostbite		
Frost	Broader Term	
Fuel depots		
Service stations	Related Term	
Fuel load		
The amount of fuel available to burn (depends on the type of vegetation, how much of it there is, its 'fineness' and its moisture content).		
Fire risk	Broader Term	
Fuel reduction		
The process of removing a fire hazard to reduce its chance of ignition, such as controlled burning.		
Controlled burning	Related Term	
Fuels	Related Term	
Prescribed burning	Related Term	
Hazard reduction	Related Term	
Fuel storage		
Fuel storage tanks	Related Term	
Fuel storage tanks		
Fuel storage	Related Term	
Fuels	Related Term	
Storage tanks	Related Term	
Fuel transport		
Transportation	Broader Term	
Fuels	Related Term	
Fuels		
Fuel reduction	Related Term	
Fuel storage	Related Term	
Fuel storage tanks	Related Term	
Fuel transport	Related Term	
Refuelling	Related Term	
Liquid fuels	Narrower Term	
Solar energy	Narrower Term	
Full protective clothing		
Protective clothing	Use	

Fumes

(a) Any smoke-like or vaporous exhalations from matter or substances

(b) Airborne solid particles formed when the material from a volatilised solid condenses in cool air.

Gases	Related Term
Vapours	Related Term

Functional areas

The categorisation of services required for emergency relief for the purposes of allocating responsibility to nominated agencies. These are catering, community organisations, emergency accommodation, emergency grants, counselling and temporary accommodation, material needs, registration.

Emergency response	Related Term
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Functional plans

Documents describing roles/responsibilities and arrangements for the performance of a key response or recovery function. They are in support of the main plan.

Emergency plans	Broader Term
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Fund raising

Funding	Related Term
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Funding

Finance	Use
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Fungicides

Pesticides	Related Term
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Fusion

Hydrogen bombs	Related Term
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G

Gales

Winds with a speed between 34 and 40 knots.

Winds	Broader Term
Storms	Related Term

Gaols

Prisons	Use
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Gas, Natural

Natural gas	Use
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Gas detectors

A detector which responds to, and will give warning of, a predetermined concentration of a particular gas.

Detectors	Broader Term
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Gas explosions

Explosions	Broader Term
Liquefied petroleum gas explosions	Narrower Term

Gas industry

Industries	Broader Term
Chemical industry	Related Term
Offshore gas industry	Related Term

Gas pipelines

Pipelines	Broader Term
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Gas wells

Offshore structures	Related Term
Oil well drilling rigs	Related Term

Gases

(a) Substances consisting of atoms and molecules which are sufficiently mobile for it to occupy the whole space in which it is contained.

(b) Formless fluids that expand to occupy the space or enclosure in which they are confined.

(c) Molecular dispersion of material in air.

Dust	Related Term
Fumes	Related Term
Smoke	Related Term
Vapours	Related Term
Compressed air	Narrower Term
Liquefied petroleum gas	Narrower Term
Natural gas	Narrower Term

Geographic Information Systems

Computerised databases for the capture, storage, analysis and display of locationally-defined information.

Computer programs	Broader Term
Information systems	Broader Term
Aerial photography	Related Term
Mapping	Related Term
Photography	Related Term
Remote sensing	Related Term

Geological hazards

Natural hazards	Broader Term
Avalanches	Narrower Term
Landslides	Narrower Term
Mud flows	Narrower Term

Gesture

Nonverbal communication	Related Term
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Glaciers

Rivers	Related Term
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Global Positioning System

Microprocessors which can receive signals and use this information to locate themselves at any point on the surface of the planet.

Computer programs	Broader Term
Automatic vehicle location	Related Term
Satellites	Related Term

Global temperature changes

Global warming	Related Term
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Global warming

Climatic changes	Related Term
Global temperature changes	Related Term
Greenhouse effect, Atmospheric	Related Term
Ozone depletion	Related Term
Sea level rise	Related Term

Government agencies

(a) Any body corporate or un-incorporate constituted by or under any Act for a public purpose; and

(b) Any member or officer of such a body

(c) Any persons in the service of the Crown upon whom any function, power, duty or responsibility is conferred by or under the Act.

Organisations	Broader Term
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Grandstands

Sports grounds	Related Term
Stadiums	Related Term

Grass fires

A fire in predominantly grass vegetation.

Fires	Broader Term
Wildfires	Broader Term
Bush fires	Related Term
Grasslands	Related Term
Ground cover fires	Related Term

Grasslands

Grass fires	Related Term
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Green movement

Environmental movement	Use
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Greenhouse effect, Atmospheric

The increase in temperature in a greenhouse caused by the radiant heat from the sun passing through the glass, while heat within the greenhouse is trapped there by the glass.

Climatic changes	Related Term
Global warming	Related Term
Solar radiation	Related Term

Grid reference

A group of numbers that describes a point on a map using a given map grid system.

Map reading	Broader Term
Maps	Broader Term

Grief

Emotions	Broader Term
Bereavement	Related Term

Grief counselling

Bereavement	Related Term
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Grievance procedures

Industrial relations	Related Term
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Ground cover fires

Grass fires	Related Term
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Ground water

Water present below the soil surface and occupying voids in the porous subsoil.

Pollution management	Related Term
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Group risk

Societal risk	Related Term
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Group think

Communication	Related Term
Management	Related Term

Gusts

Sudden, brief increase of the wind speed over its mean value.

Winds	Related Term
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H

Hail storms

Storms	Broader Term
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Halon

An abbreviation for halogenated hydrocarbon and an acknowledged term used to describe an inert gaseous extinguishing agent.

Extinguishants	Broader Term
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Ham radio

Ham radio network	Related Term
Ham radio operators	Narrower Term

Ham radio network

The international amateur radio network, frequently a valuable contribution by the community to disaster response.

Ham radio	Related Term
Ham radio operators	Related Term

Ham radio operators

Ham radio	Broader Term
Radio operators	Broader Term
Ham radio network	Related Term

Handicapped

Handicapped persons	Non-preferred Term
Disabled person	Related Term

Handicapped persons

Handicapped	Use
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Harbours

Ports	Use
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Harmful substances

Hazardous materials	Use
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Hazard analysis

That part of the overall planning process which identifies and describes hazards and their effects upon the community.

Hazards	Broader Term
Hazard identification	Related Term

Earthquake hazard analysis	Narrower Term
Hazard and operability study	
Hazards	Broader Term
Hazard assessment	
Hazards	Broader Term
Vulnerability assessment	Related Term
Hazard audits	
Detailed and comprehensive reviews of all operational and organisational safety systems and practises.	
Safety audits	Non-preferred Term
Risk analysis	Related Term
Hazard characteristics	
Parts of the hazard analysis process in which the hazards relevant to a given locality or are described.	
Hazards	Broader Term
Hazard identification	
The process of recognising that a hazard exists and defining its characteristics.	
Hazards	Broader Term
Hazard analysis	Related Term
Hazard management	
Management strategies to reduce the impact of hazards on the community.	
Hazards	Broader Term
Incident management	Related Term
Hazard mapping	
The process of establishing geographically where and to what extent particular phenomena are likely to pose a threat to people, property, infrastructure, and economic activities.	
Mapping	Related Term
Hazard mitigation	
Measures taken to reduce the impact of hazards on a community.	
Hazards	Broader Term
Disaster mitigation	Related Term
Hazard perception	
Hazards	Broader Term

Hazard reduction	
Controlled burning	Related Term
Fuel reduction	Related Term
Prescribed burning	Related Term
Hazard zone	
An area over which the risks from hazardous activities are significant.	
Hazards	Broader Term
Hazardous materials	
Substances or materials which have been determined by an appropriate authority to be capable of posing an unreasonable risk to health, safety and property.	
Harmful substances	Non-preferred Term
Hazardous substances	Non-preferred Term
Dispersion	Related Term
Flammable gases	Related Term
Flammable liquids	Related Term
Flammable materials	Related Term
Hazardous materials storage	Related Term
Infectious materials	Related Term
Land mines	Related Term
Noxious substance	Related Term
Ammunition	Narrower Term
Biological hazards	Narrower Term
Carcinogens	Narrower Term
Chemical hazards	Narrower Term
Chemicals	Narrower Term
Combustible materials	Narrower Term
Corrosive materials	Narrower Term
Cryogenic materials	Narrower Term
Dangerous goods	Narrower Term
Explosives	Narrower Term
Flammable materials storage	Narrower Term
Poisons	Narrower Term
Radioactive materials	Narrower Term
Radioactive wastes	Narrower Term
Toxic materials	Narrower Term
Hazardous materials spills	
Hazardous substances	
spills	Non-preferred Term
Spills	Broader Term

Hazardous materials standards

Hazardous substance standards	Non-preferred Term
Standards	Broader Term

Hazardous materials storage

Hazardous substances storage	Non-preferred Term
Storage	Broader Term
Flammable materials	Related Term
Hazardous materials	Related Term
Ammunition dumps	Narrower Term
Liquefied petroleum gas storage	Narrower Term

Hazardous materials transportation

Explosives transportation	Related Term
Chemical carriers (tankers)	Narrower Term
Flammable materials transport	Narrower Term
Liquefied petroleum gas transportation	Narrower Term
Radioactive materials transportation	Narrower Term

Hazardous substances

Hazardous materials	Use
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Hazardous substances spills

Hazardous materials spills	Use
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Hazardous substances standards

Hazardous materials standards	Use
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Hazardous substances storage

Hazardous materials storage	Use
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Hazardous waste sites

Hazardous wastes	Related Term
Incineration	Related Term
Hazardous wastes sites location	Narrower Term

Hazardous waste sites location

Hazardous wastes sites	Broader Term
Hazardous wastes	Related Term

Hazardous waste transportation

Hazardous wastes	Related Term
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Hazardous wastes

Waste materials or mixtures of waste which require special handling and disposal because of their potential to damage health and the environment.

Toxic wastes	Non-preferred Term
Hazardous waste sites	Related Term
Hazardous waste sites location	Related Term
Hazardous waste transportation	Related Term
Medical wastes	Related Term
Hazardous wastes sites leaching	Narrower Term

Hazardous wastes sites leaching

Hazardous wastes	Broader Term
Hazardous wastes sites	Broader Term

Hazards

Situations with a potential for harm to life, health or property, damage to the environment or some combination of these.

Chemical plants	Related Term
Disasters	Related Term
Emergencies	Related Term
Asbestos hazards	Narrower Term
Biological hazards	Narrower Term
Chemical hazards	Narrower Term
Fire hazards	Narrower Term
Hazard analysis	Narrower Term
Hazard and operability study	Narrower Term
Hazard assessment	Narrower Term
Hazard identification	Narrower Term
Hazard characteristics	Narrower Term
Hazard management	Narrower Term
Hazard mitigation	Narrower Term
Hazard perception	Narrower Term
Hazard zone	Narrower Term
Health hazards	Narrower Term
Major hazards	Narrower Term
Secondary hazards	Narrower Term
Technological hazards	Narrower Term
Threats, Psychology	Narrower Term

Health

The state of complete physical, mental and social well being, and not merely the absence of disease or infirmity.

Environmental health	Narrower Term
Hygiene	Narrower Term
Mental health	Narrower Term
Public health	Narrower Term

Health care

Medical care	Related Term
Nursing	Related Term
Health care facilities	Narrower Term

Health care facilities

Hospitals, nursing homes or other facilities which provide health care services to in-patients, out-patients or day patients.

Health care	Broader Term
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Health hazards

Hazards	Broader Term
Industrial hazards	Related Term
Industrial hygiene	Related Term

Health personnel

Medical personnel	Use
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Health risk assessment

Diagnosis	Related Term
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Health services

Medical care	Related Term
Hospital services	Narrower Term
Public health services	Narrower Term

Heat

Dehydration	Related Term
Heatwaves	Narrower Term
Radiant heat	Narrower Term

Heat stress

Stress, physiology	Broader Term
Body temperature	Related Term
Heatstroke	Related Term

Heat waves

Long lasting periods with extremely high surface temperatures.

Heat	Broader Term
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Heatstroke

Heat stress	Related Term
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Heavy vehicle safety

Road safety	Broader Term
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Helicopters

Aircraft	Broader Term
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Heliports

Airports	Broader Term
Airport terminals	Related Term

Herbicides

Pesticides	Broader Term
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High rise buildings

Buildings	Broader Term
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Highways

Roads	Broader Term
Freeways	Related Term

Hijacking

Hostages	Related Term
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HIV

Human immunodeficiency syndrome	Non-preferred Term
Communicable diseases	Broader Term
AIDS	Related Term

HIV infections

AIDS	Related Term
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Homicide

Deaths	Related Term
Mass murder	Related Term

Hospital emergency departments

Hospitals	Broader Term
Medical services	Related Term

Hospital emergency services

Medical services Related Term

Hospital services

Health services Broader Term

Hospitals

Buildings Broader Term

Operating theatres Related Term

Hospital emergency
departments Narrower Term

Hostage negotiations

Hostages Broader Term

Hostages

Hijacking Related Term

Sieges Related Term

Hostage negotiations Narrower Term

Hot air balloons

Balloons Broader Term

Hotels

Motels Non-preferred Term

Housing

Dwellings Non-preferred Term

Human behaviour

Psychology Broader Term

Crowd management Related Term

Crowds Related Term

Escape behaviour Related Term

Psychiatric emergencies Related Term

Psychiatry Related Term

Stress, physiology Related Term

Claustrophobia Narrower Term

Collective behaviour Narrower Term

Fear Narrower Term

Panic Narrower Term

Human immunodeficiency syndromeHuman immunodeficiency
virus Use

Human immunodeficiency virus

HIV Use

Human resources

Management Related Term

Personnel Narrower Term

Human resources management

Manpower Non-preferred Term

Human rights

Confidentiality Related Term

Ethics Related Term

Hurricane plans

Plans Broader Term

Hurricanes

A term used in the United States and the Atlantic region covering (a) Violent tropical cyclonic storm (b) Storm of the most intense severity.

Natural disasters Broader Term

Weather hazards Broader Term

Cyclones Related Term

Monsoons Related Term

Tornadoes Related Term

Typhoons Related Term

Hydro-electric power stations

Power stations Broader Term

Hydrogen bombs

Bombs Broader Term

Fusion Related Term

Hydrography

A graph showing the seasonal change in the level, flow or velocity of water in a channel, reservoir or the like.

Flood hydrograph Related Term

Hydrological survey

Hydrology Broader Term

Hydrology

The study of the rainfall-runoff process as it relates to the development of flooding and the derivation of hydrographics at different locations in a river system for given floods.

Floods	Related Term
Hydrology	Related Term
Water table	Related Term
Hydrological survey	Narrower Term

Hygiene

Health	Broader Term
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Hyperbaric chambers

Atmospheric pressure	Related Term
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Hypothermia

Having a body temperature below normal.

Body temperature	Related Term
Cold	Related Term

Hysteria

Panic	Use
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I

Ice storm

Intense formation of ice on objects by the freezing, on impact, of rain or drizzle.

Storms	Broader Term
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Identification

Disaster victim identification	Use
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Identification codes

Codes	Broader Term
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Ignition

Setting fire to or being set fire to.

Explosions	Related Term
Spontaneous ignition	Narrower Term

Immobilisation

Cervical collars	Related Term
Extrication	Related Term
Physical restraints	Related Term
Spinal cord injuries	Related Term
Spineboards	Related Term

Immunisation

Rendering a person or animal immune to certain infections by the process of injecting either antigen or a serum containing specific antibodies.

Communicable diseases	Related Term
Vaccination	Related Term

Immunological deficiency syndrome

AIDS	Related Term
HIV	Related Term

Impact assessment

Damage assessment	Broader Term
Impact assessment studies	Narrower Term

Impact assessment studies

Impact assessment	Broader Term
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In-service training

Education	Broader Term
Training	Broader Term

Incendiary devices

Arson Related Term

Incident command system

Incident control systems Use

Incident control point

The control point established by the Control Agency in proximity to the emergency and used by the incident controller for forward command/control functions.

Incident control systems Broader Term

Incidents Broader Term

Incident control systems

A command structure to systematically and logically manage suppression of emergency incidents, including wildfires, from small, simple incidents to large, difficult or multiple situations.

Incident command system Non-preferred Term

Incidents Broader Term

Command systems Related Term

Incident management systems Related Term

Operating systems Related Term

Incident control point Narrower Term

Incident controller

The individual responsible for the management of all incident operations.

Incident management Broader Term

Incident management

The process of controlling the incident and coordinating resources.

Incidents Broader Term

Disaster management Related Term

Emergency response Related Term

Hazard management Related Term

Incident response Related Term

Unified command Related Term

Incident controller Narrower Term

Incident sequence analysis Narrower Term

Incident management plans

Contingency plans Related Term

Australian incident management system Narrower Term

Incident management systems

Incident control systems Related Term

Incident reports Related Term

Incident reporting systems

Fire incident reporting systems Non-preferred Term

Incidents Broader Term

Incident reports

Incidents Broader Term

Incident management systems Related Term

Incident response

Incident management Related Term

Incident sequence analysis

The tracing of a primary event forwards in order to define its consequences.

Incident management Broader Term

Incidents

Events, accidentally or deliberately caused, which require a response from one or more of the statutory emergency response agencies.

Risk Broader Term

Event Related Term

Incident control point Narrower Term

Incident control systems Narrower Term

Incident management Narrower Term

Incident reports Narrower Term

Incident reporting systems Narrower Term

Incineration

Hazardous waste sites Related Term

Individual risk

The frequency at which an individual may be expected to sustain a given level of harm from the realisation of specified hazards.

Risk Broader Term

Risk criteria Related Term

Societal risk Related Term

Individual risk criteria Narrower Term

Individual risk criteria

Criteria which can be used to determine the acceptability of a given individual risk level at a given site.

Individual risk	Broader Term
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Industrial accidents

Accidents	Broader Term
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Industrial hygiene	Related Term
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Industrial safety	Related Term
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Industrial buildings

Buildings	Broader Term
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Factories	Related Term
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Mills	Narrower Term
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Industrial hazards

Health hazards	Related Term
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Industrial health

Occupational health and safety	Related Term
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Industrial hygiene

Industrial accidents	Related Term
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Health hazards	Related Term
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Industrial safety	Related Term
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Occupational diseases	Related Term
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Occupational stress	Related Term
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Rehabilitation	Related Term
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Industrial relations

Conflict resolution	Related Term
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Grievance procedures	Related Term
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Personnel management	Related Term
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Labour contracts	Narrower Term
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Labour relations	Narrower Term
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Unions	Narrower Term
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Industrial safety

Industrial accidents	Related Term
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Industrial hygiene	Related Term
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Occupational health and safety	Related Term
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Industries

Chemical industry	Narrower Term
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Gas industry	Narrower Term
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Liquefied petroleum gas Industry	Narrower Term
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Petroleum industry	Narrower Term
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Petrochemical industry	Narrower Term
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Infants

People from 0 - 2 years

Infected areas

Defined areas in which an exotic animal disease exists, is believed to exist, or in which the infective agent of an exotic disease exists or is believed to exist.

Restricted areas	Related Term
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Infection

Diseases	Related Term
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Infection control	Related Term
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Infection prevention	Related Term
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Plagues	Related Term
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Communicable diseases	Narrower Term
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Infection control

Infection	Broader Term
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Infection prevention

Infection	Broader Term
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Infectious diseases

Communicable diseases	Use
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Infectious materials

(a) Materials containing disease-producing organisms (b) Materials containing hazardous substances.

Infectious substances	Non-preferred Term
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Hazardous materials	Related Term
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Infectious substances

Infectious materials	Use
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Infestation

A pervasive influx and development of insects or parasites affecting humans, animals, crops or material.

Epidemics	Related Term
Plague	Related Term

Inflammable materials

Flammable materials	Use
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Information management

Management	Broader Term
Computers	Related Term
Information security	Related Term
Information systems	Related Term
Records management	Related Term
Technology	Related Term
Information networks	Narrower Term

Information networks

Information management	Broader Term
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Information security

Security	Broader Term
Information management	Related Term

Information services

Libraries	Related Term
Resource centres	Related Term

Information systems

Information management	Related Term
Information technology	Related Term
Internet	Related Term
Management information systems	Narrower Term
Geographic information systems	Narrower Term

Information technology

Information systems	Related Term
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Informed consent

Consent	Broader Term
Search and rescue operations	Broader Term

Infrared cameras

Fire fighting operations	Related Term
Thermal imaging	Related Term

Injured persons

Casualties	Broader Term
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Injuries

Harm of any kind done or sustained

Wounds and injuries	Broader Term
First aid	Related Term
Injury prevention	Related Term
Wounds	Related Term
Accidents, Wounds and injury	Narrower Term
Blast injuries	Narrower Term
Burns	Narrower Term
Crush injuries	Narrower Term
Diving injuries	Narrower Term
Spinal cord injuries	Narrower Term

Injury codes

Codes	Broader Term
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Injury prevention

Accidents, Wounds and injury	Related Term
Wounds and injury	Related Term

Inner perimeter

That area which is secured to allow effective command, communication and coordination control, and to allow for safe operations while dealing with an emergency, including the immediate ingress and egress needs of emergency response personnel and vehicles.

Emergency plans	Broader Term
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Inquests

Coroners	Related Term
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Inquiry

The process of taking inquiries from people concerned about the safety and whereabouts of friends/relatives suspected of being affected by an emergency.

National Registration and Inquiry System	Narrower Term
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Investigation reports

Investigations Broader Term

Investigations

Processes conducted for the purpose of accident prevention, which includes gathering and analysis of information, the drawing of conclusions, including the determination of cause(s) and, when appropriate, the making of safety recommendations.

Fatalities Related Term
Investigation reports Narrower Term

Involuntary risk

A risk imposed on people by a controlling body without their consent.

Risk Broader Term

Ionising radiation

Radiation (including alpha particles) capable of causing ionisation of the matter through which it passes and hence damage to living tissue.

Non ionising radiation Related Term
Nuclear radiation Narrower Term

J

Jails

Prisons Use

Jetties

Piers Broader Term

L

Labelling

Classification systems	Related Term
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Laboratories

Buildings	Broader Term
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Labour contracts

Industrial relations	Broader Term
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Labour relations

Industrial relations	Broader Term
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Lakes

Reservoirs	Related Term
Rivers	Related Term

Land

Land degradation	Narrower Term
Land management	Narrower Term
Land searches	Narrower Term
Land use	Narrower Term

Land degradation

Progressive deterioration of land quality or land forms resulting from natural phenomena or human activity.

Soil degradation	Non-preferred Term
Land	Broader Term
Land use	Broader Term

Land management

Agriculture	Related Term
Land use	Related Term
Land	Broader Term

Land mines

Hazardous materials	Related Term
Mines, military explosives	Related Term

Land searches

Land	Broader Term
Land use	Related Term
Search operations	Related Term

Land slips

Landslides	Broader Term
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Land use

Land	Broader Term
Land management	Related Term
Land searches	Related Term
Land degradation	Narrower Term
Land use classification	Narrower Term
Land use zoning	Narrower Term

Land use classification

Land use	Broader Term
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Land use zoning

Land use	Broader Term
Zones	Related Term
Zoning	Narrower Term

Landfill

Waste disposal sites	Related Term
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Landslides

The general term given to movement of material downslope in a mass.

Geological hazards	Broader Term
Natural disasters	Broader Term
Avalanches	Related Term
Soil creep	Related Term
Subsidence,	
Earth movements	Related Term
Land slips	Narrower Term
Landslides hazard analysis	Narrower Term
Landslides stabilisation	Narrower Term
Rockfalls	Narrower Term

Landslides hazard analysis

Landslides	Broader Term
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Landslides stabilisation

Landslides	Broader Term
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Law enforcement

Crime	Related Term
Police services	Related Term

Lead agencies

The agencies identified as primarily responsible for responding to a particular emergency.

Combat agencies Non-preferred Term

Lead time

The period which elapses between the time and date of determining that an item is required until it is actually required by the user or the item for events to occur before an activity can be taken.

Disaster response Related Term

Emergency response Related Term

Leadership

Management Related Term

Personnel Related Term

Leakage

Spills Related Term

Legal responsibility

Liability Use

Legislation

Critical statutes in emergency management area.

Building codes Related Term

Fire protection Related Term

Regulations Related Term

Levees

Water retaining earthwork used to confine streamflow within a specified area along the stream or to prevent flooding due to waves or tides.

Embankments Broader Term

Booms Related Term

Bunds Related Term

Dams Related Term

Demolition Related Term

Flood control Related Term

Dikes Narrower Term

Level crossings

Railways Related Term

Liability

Legal responsibility Non-preferred Term

Building codes Related Term

Fire protection Related Term

Insurance Related Term

Malpractice Related Term

Professional liability Narrower Term

Liability insurance

Insurance Use

Libraries

Information services Related Term

Licences

Licenses to manufacture, import, export, convey, keep or sell dangerous goods, as the context may require.

Life boats

Ships Related Term

Life support systems

Advanced life support Narrower Term

Advanced trauma life support Narrower Term

Lifelines

(a) The public facilities and systems that provide basic life support services such as water, energy, sanitation, communications and transportation. (b) systems or networks which provide for the movement of people, goods, services, and information upon which the health, safety, comfort and economic activity of the community depend.

Cordage Related Term

Public utilities Related Term

Rope rescue Related Term

Lifts

Elevators Use

Lighting

Emergency lighting Narrower Term

Lightning

Weather hazards Broader Term

Lightning injuries Related Term

Thunderstorms Related Term

Lightning strikes	Narrower Term		
Lightning injuries			
Lightning	Related Term		
Lightning strikes			
Lightning	Broader Term		
Liquefaction			
Process of soil and sand behaving like a dense fluid rather than a wet soil mass during an earthquake.			
Earthquakes	Related Term		
Liquefied natural gas			
Liquefied natural gas is natural gas and other gaseous hydrocarbons that have been cooled under high pressure and converted into liquid form, shrinking considerably in volume, so they can be more easily transported by ship.			
LNG	Non-preferred Term		
Natural gas	Broader Term		
Liquefied petroleum gas			
A material composed predominantly of any one or more of the following hydrocarbons: propane, propylene, butanes or butylenes.			
LPG	Non-preferred Term		
Gases	Broader Term		
Liquefied petroleum gas explosions			
Gas explosions	Broader Term		
BLEVE	Related Term		
Liquefied petroleum gas fires			
Fires	Broader Term		
BLEVE	Related Term		
Liquefied petroleum gas industry			
Industries	Broader Term		
Liquefied petroleum gas storage	Narrower Term		
Liquefied petroleum gas storage			
Hazardous materials storage	Broader Term		
Liquefied petroleum gas industry	Broader Term		
Liquefied petroleum gas tanks			
Tanks	Broader Term		
Liquefied petroleum gas transportation			
Hazardous materials transportation	Broader Term		
Liquid fuels			
Fuels	Broader Term		
Flammable liquids	Related Term		
Litigation			
Insurance	Related Term		
LNG			
Liquefied Natural Gas	Use		
Local government			
Local government disaster plans	Narrower Term		
Local government disaster plans			
Disaster plans	Broader Term		
Local government	Broader Term		
Logistics			
A range of operational activities concerned with supply, handling, transportation, distribution of materials. Also applicable to the transportation of people.			
Emergency management	Related Term		
Long range weather forecasts			
Forecasting	Broader Term		
Loss			
Any negative consequence, financial or otherwise.			
Loss assessment	Narrower Term		
Loss assessment			
Loss	Broader Term		
Loss assessor			
Insurance	Related Term		

LPG

Liquefied petroleum gas Use

M**Machinery**

Equipment Related Term

Major hazards

Hazardous activities with a potential for causing more than a few fatalities at once, especially among people who are not employees of the plant.

Hazards Broader Term

Malls

Shopping centres Broader Term

Malpractice

Liability Related Term

Negligence Related Term

Management

Benchmarking Related Term

Best practice Related Term

Business Related Term

Communication Related Term

Customer services Related Term

Emergency management Related Term

Finance Related Term

Freedom of Information Related Term

Group think Related Term

Human resources Related Term

Organisations Related Term

Personnel Related Term

Planning Related Term

Interpersonal skills Related Term

Leadership Related Term

Personnel management Related Term

Quality assurance Related Term

Quality control Related Term

Service evaluation Related Term

Information management Narrower Term

Monitoring Narrower Term

Public relations Narrower Term

Records management Narrower Term

Strategic management Narrower Term

Time management Narrower Term

Management information systemsInformation systems Broader Term

ManpowerHuman resources management Use

Map readingMaps Related Term
Grid reference Narrower Term

MappingGeographic information systems Related Term
Hazard mapping Related Term
Vulnerability mapping Related Term

MapsGrid reference Narrower Term
Map reading Related Term

MarinasPorts Broader Term

Marine accidentsAccidents Broader Term

Marine pollutionPollution Broader Term

Marine rescueRescue operations Broader Term

Maritime disastersSpills Related Term
Shipwrecks Narrower Term

MarketingServices, Marketing Narrower Term

Mass casualtiesCasualties Broader Term
Mass casualty estimates Related Term
Mass casualty movements Related Term
Medical emergencies Related Term
Mass casualty management Narrower Term

Mass casualty estimatesMass casualties Related Term

Mass casualty managementMass casualties Broader Term
Disaster medicine Related Term

Mass casualty movementsMass casualties Related Term

Mass evacuationEvacuation Broader Term

Mass firesConflagrations Narrower Term

Mass mediaMedia Use

Mass murderMassacres Non-preferred Term
Murder Broader Term
Homicide Related Term

MassacresMass murder Use

Material needsThe provision of clothing, bedding and personal requisites to emergency affected persons.

Emergency relief Related Term

MediaMass media Non-preferred Term
Public relations Related Term
Press Narrower Term
Television Narrower Term

Medical assistanceMedicine Related Term

Medical care

Examination and/or treatment of victims by a medical practitioner or other qualified person such as a paramedic.

Health care	Related Term
Health services	Related Term
Medical records	Related Term
Medical services	Related Term
Medicine	Related Term
Patient care	Related Term
Intensive care	Narrower Term

Medical emergencies

Events in which trained personnel are required to respond effectively to a medical crisis beyond the accepted routine of the health care facility.

Compression garments	Related Term
Emergencies	Related Term
Emergency medicine	Related Term
Mass casualties	Related Term
Medical reports	Related Term

Medical equipment

Cervical collars	Narrower Term
Defibrillators	Narrower Term

Medical ethics

Medicine	Related Term
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Medical personnel

Health personnel	Non-preferred Term
Emergency personnel	Related Term
Medicine	Related Term
Emergency medical personnel	Narrower Term

Medical policy

Medicine	Related Term
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Medical records

Medical care	Related Term
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Medical reports

Medical emergencies	Related Term
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Medical services

Hospital emergency departments	Related Term
Hospital emergency service	Related Term
Medical care	Related Term
Emergency medical services	Narrower Term

Medical supplies

Medicine	Related Term
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Medical terminology

Medical transport

Aeromedical evacuation	Related Term
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Medical wastes

Medicine	Broader Term
Wastes	Broader Term
Hazardous wastes	Related Term

Medications

Drugs	Related Term
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Medicine

Medical assistance	Related Term
Medical care	Related Term
Medical ethics	Related Term
Medical personnel	Related Term
Medical policy	Related Term
Medical supplies	Related Term
Medical wastes	Related Term
Triage, Medicine	Related Term
Emergency medicine	Narrower Term
Operating theatres	Narrower Term

Mental health

Mental illness	Non-preferred Term
Health	Broader Term
Mental health services	Narrower Term

Mental health services

Mental health	Broader Term
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Mental illness

Mental health	Use
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Metal fires			
Fires		Broader Term	
Meteorological hazards			
Meteorology		Related Term	
Meteorological satellites			
Satellites		Broader Term	
Weather		Related Term	
Meteorological services			
Meteorology		Related Term	
Meteorology			
Atmosphere		Related Term	
Balloons		Related Term	
Meteorological hazards		Related Term	
Meteorological services		Related Term	
Air inversion		Narrower Term	
Micro bursts			
In a mature thunderstorm, falling rain and hail drag the surrounding air down, causing a strong down-draught which accelerates as the air cools due to evaporation of rain drops. It spreads out upon reaching the ground producing a cool gusty wind which can be strong enough to cause significant damage.			
Down bursts		Related Term	
Migration			
Uncontrolled movement of hazardous waste through the environment.			
Population		Related Term	
Military aid			
Defence forces assistance		Use	
Military assistance			
Defence forces assistance		Use	
Military bases			
Defence forces assistance		Related Term	
Military services			
Defence forces		Use	
Millibars			
Pressure		Related Term	
Mills			
Industrial buildings		Broader Term	
Mine rescue work			
Rescue operations		Broader Term	
Mines		Related Term	
Mine shafts			
Shafts, Evacuation		Broader Term	
Mines			
Mine rescue work		Related Term	
Coal mines		Narrower Term	
Mines, Military explosives			
Land mines		Related Term	
Mitigation			
Measures taken in advance of a disaster aimed at decreasing or eliminating its impact on society and environment.			
Disaster prevention		Related Term	
Disaster mitigation		Narrower Term	
Flood mitigation		Narrower Term	
Risk mitigation		Narrower Term	
Mobile communication systems			
Mobile telephones		Narrower Term	
Mobile intensive care units			
Ambulance officers		Related Term	
Ambulance services		Related Term	
Mobile telephones			
Cellular phones		Non-preferred Term	
Cellular telephone systems		Non-preferred Term	
Mobile communication systems		Broader Term	
Telecommunication		Broader Term	
Mobilisation			
Action		Related Term	
Activation		Related Term	
Dispatch		Related Term	

Mock disaster training

Drills	Related Term
Exercises	Related Term
Simulation training	Related Term

Mortality rate

Narrower Term

Monitoring

Observation, measurement and valuation of the progress of a process or phenomenon with a view to taking corrective measures.

Management	Broader Term
Disaster assessment	Related Term

Monsoons

Seasonally heavy rains and wind the direction of which varies from one season to another, particularly in the Indian Ocean and south Asian areas.

Storms	Broader Term
Cyclones	Related Term
Hurricanes	Related Term
Typhoons	Related Term

Mopping Up

Making a fire safe after it has been controlled, by extinguishing or removing burning material along or near the fireline.

Salvage	Related Term
Salvage operations	Related Term

Morbidity

The number of sick persons or of diseases in a given period among a given population.

Diseases	Broader Term
Morbidity rate	Narrower Term

Morbidity rate

For a given disease, the ratio of individuals having that disease to the total number of the population.

Morbidity	Broader Term
Deaths	Related Term

Morgues

Mortuaries	Use
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Mortality

The number, magnitude or frequency of deaths over a period of time amount the total sick and well population of an area.

Deaths	Related Term
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Mortality rate

The ratio of the number of deaths in a given population to the total number of that population.

Mortality	Broader Term
Deaths	Related Term

Mortuaries

Morgues	Non-preferred Term
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Motels

Hotels	Use
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Motor cycles

Motor vehicles	Broader Term
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Motor vehicle accidents

Road accidents	Use
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Motor vehicle driving

Motor vehicles	Related Term
Ambulance driving	Narrower Term

Motor vehicle rescue

Motor vehicles	Broader Term
Rescue operations	Broader Term
Extrication	Related Term
Road accident rescue	Related Term
Vehicle rescue	Related Term

Motor vehicles

Road transportation	Broader Term
Vehicles	Broader Term
Motor vehicle driving	Related Term
Buses	Narrower Term
Cars	Narrower Term
Motor cycles	Narrower Term
Motor vehicle rescue	Narrower Term
Trucks	Narrower Term

Motorways

Freeways	Use
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Mountaineering

Mountaineering	Broader Term
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Mountaineering search and rescue operations

Mountaineering	Broader Term
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Movement control

Restrictions placed on movement of animals, people and things to prevent dissemination of disease.

Disaster management	Related Term
Emergency management	Related Term

Mudflows

The down slope transfer of fine earth material mixed with water.

Geological hazards	Broader Term
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Mudslides

Natural disasters	Related Term
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Murder

Mass murder	Narrower Term
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Mutual aid

Emergency plans	Related Term
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N

National parks

Parks Broader Term

National Registration and Inquiry System

Inquiry Broader Term
Natural disasters Broader Term

Natural disasters

Those emergencies defined by the Commonwealth for the purpose of the Natural Disaster Relief Arrangements: bush fires, cyclones, earthquakes, floods and storms including hail.

Disasters	Broader Term
Mudslides	Related Term
Avalanches	Narrower Term
Cyclones	Narrower Term
Earthquakes	Narrower Term
Fires	Narrower Term
Floods	Narrower Term
Hurricanes	Narrower Term
Landslides	Narrower Term
Natural disaster warning systems	Narrower Term
Natural disasters information systems	Narrower Term
Storms	Narrower Term
Tsunamis	Narrower Term
Typhoons	Narrower Term
Volcanoes	Narrower Term

Natural disasters information systems

Natural disasters Broader Term

Natural gas

Gaseous hydrocarbons from underground deposits, the production of which may be associated with the production of crude petroleum.

Gas, natural	Non-preferred Term
Gases	Broader Term
Liquefied natural gas	Narrower Term

Natural hazards

Geologic, meteorological, or biological hazards.

Avalanche hazards	Narrower Term
Climatic hazards	Narrower Term
Earthquake hazards	Narrower Term
Geological hazards	Narrower Term
Oceanographic hazards	Narrower Term
Weather hazards	Narrower Term

Navy

Defence forces Broader Term

Negligence

Failure to do a job or duty; an act or state of neglectfulness.

Duty of care	Related Term
Malpractice	Related Term

Negligible risks

Risks that are so small that there is no cause for concern about them, and no reason to take action to reduce them.

Risk	Broader Term
Insurance	Related Term

Noise

Noise control	Related Term
Noise pollution	Narrower Term

Noise control

Noise pollution	Broader Term
Noise	Related Term

Noise pollution

Noise	Broader Term
Noise pollution	Broader Term

Nominated agencies

Agencies or organisations responsible for a functional area during emergency relief.

Disaster relief	Related Term
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Non-government agencies

Non-government organisations	Use
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Non-government organisations

Non-profit making organisations operating at the local, national, or international levels. Distinct from a governmental organisation, having no statutory ties with a national government.

Non-government agencies	Non-preferred Term
Voluntary agencies	Non-preferred Term
Relief agencies	Related Term
Salvation Army	Related Term
St John Ambulance Australia	Related Term
Red Cross	Narrower Term

Non-ionising radiation

Radiation	Broader Term
Ionising radiation	Related Term
Ultraviolet radiation	Narrower Term

Non-profit organisations

Welfare services	Related Term
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Non-verbal communication

Communication	Broader Term
Communication skills	Related Term
Gesture	Related Term

Notifiable diseases

Diseases	Broader Term
Communicable diseases	Related Term
Disease notification	Related Term

Noxious substance

Hazardous materials	Related Term
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Nuclear accidents

Accidental release of radiation occurring in civil nuclear facilities, exceeding the internationally established safety levels.

Accidents	Broader Term
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Nuclear bomb shelters

Nuclear bombs	Broader Term
Bomb shelters	Related Term

Nuclear bombs

Nuclear weapons	Broader Term
Nuclear bomb shelters	Narrower Term

Nuclear energy

Nuclear power	Non-preferred Term
Nuclear engineering	Narrower Term
Nuclear facilities	Narrower Term
Nuclear industry	Narrower Term

Nuclear engineering

Nuclear energy	Broader Term
Nuclear reactors	Narrower Term

Nuclear explosions

Explosions	Broader Term
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Nuclear facilities

Nuclear energy	Broader Term
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Nuclear fuels

Radioactive materials	Broader Term
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Nuclear hazards

All hazards existing from the use of, and exposure to, radioactive substances.

Nuclear energy	Broader Term
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Nuclear power

Nuclear energy	Use
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Nuclear power plants

Nuclear power stations	Non-preferred Term
Power stations	Related Term
Nuclear power plants location	Narrower Term
Nuclear power plants waste disposal	Narrower Term

Nuclear power plants location

Nuclear power plants	Broader Term
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Nuclear power plants waste disposal

Nuclear power plants	Broader Term
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Nuclear power stations

Nuclear power plants	Use
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Nuclear powered ships

Nuclear ships	Non-preferred Term
Ionising radiation	Broader Term
Radiation	Broader Term

Radioactive materials	Related Term		
Nuclear reactors			
Nuclear engineering	Broader Term		
Nuclear ships			
Nuclear powered ships	Use		
Nuclear warfare			
Warfare	Broader Term		
Biological warfare	Related Term		
Chemical warfare	Related Term		
Nuclear weapons			
Atomic bomb	Non-preferred Term		
Bombs	Broader Term		
Nuclear bombs	Narrower Term		
Nursing			
Health care	Related Term		
Nutrition			
Food aid	Related Term		
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Occupational diseases			
Industrial hygiene	Related Term		
Occupational stress	Related Term		
Occupational health and safety			
Industrial safety	Broader Term		
Industrial health	Related Term		
Occupational stress			
Stress, physiology	Broader Term		
Industrial hygiene			
Occupational diseases	Related Term		
Occupational training			
Education	Broader Term		
Oceanographic hazards			
Natural hazards	Broader Term		
Office buildings			
Buildings	Broader Term		
Offshore drilling rigs			
Offshore structures	Broader Term		
Oil and gas platforms	Related Term		
Oil rigs	Related Term		
Oil well drilling rigs	Related Term		
Offshore gas industry			
Gas industry	Related Term		
Offshore structures			
Gas wells	Related Term		
Oil wells	Related Term		
Offshore drilling rigs	Narrower Term		
Oil and gas platforms			
Offshore drilling rigs	Related Term		
Oil disasters			
Disasters	Broader Term		
Oil pollution	Related Term		

Oil fires			Operating procedures		
Tanker fires		Related Term	Documents containing specific, step-wise instructions on carrying out operational procedures.		
Oil pollution			Standard operating procedures		Related Term
Pollution		Broader Term			
Oil disasters		Related Term			
Oil refineries			Operating systems		
Petroleum refineries		Use	Incident control systems		Related Term
Oil rigs			Operating theatres		
Offshore drilling rigs		Related Term	Medicine		Broader Term
			Hospitals		Related Term
Oil spills			Operational planning		
Incidents involving the accidental or intentional release of oil into the marine environment, or the slick produced by such an incident.			Disaster plans		Broader Term
Dispersing agents		Related Term	Emergency planning		Broader Term
Pollution		Related Term			
Oil storage			Organisational behaviour		
Oil tanks		Narrower Term	Organisations		Broader Term
Oil tankers			Organisational change		
Tankers		Use	Organisations		Broader Term
			Re-engineering		Related Term
Oil tanks			Organisations		
Oil storage		Broader Term	Agencies		Non-preferred Term
Tanks		Broader Term	Management		Related Term
Oil well drilling rigs			Recovery Agency		Related Term
Drilling platforms		Related Term	Government agencies		Narrower Term
Gas wells		Related Term	Institutions		Narrower Term
Offshore drilling rigs		Related Term	Organisational behaviour		Narrower Term
Oil wells		Related Term	Organisational change		Narrower Term
			Statutory authorities		Narrower Term
Oil wells			Voluntary organisations		Narrower Term
Offshore structures		Related Term			
Oil well drilling rigs		Related Term	Overpressure		
			The pressure resulting from the blast or shock wave of an explosion.		
Olympic Games			Explosion overpressure		Non-preferred Term
Olympics		Use			
Olympics			Ozone depletion		
Olympic Games		Non-preferred Term	Global warming		Related Term
Events		Related Term			
Special events		Related Term			

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Panic

Hysteria	Non-preferred Term
Fear	Related Term
Human behaviour	Related Term
Riots	Related Term

Paramedics

Emergency personnel with advanced life support skills.	
Ambulance officers	Related Term
Emergency service personnel	Related Term

Parks

National parks	Narrower Term
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Partnerships

Emergency services cooperation	Related Term
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Passenger ships

Ships	Broader Term
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Patient assessment

Diagnosis	Related Term
Triage, medicine	Related Term

Patient care

Medical care	Related Term
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Patient transport

Ambulances	Related Term
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Peer support

Peers	Related Term
Personnel	Related Term

Peers

Peer support	Related Term
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Perceived risk

The level of risk that is thought to exist by an individual or group of individuals.	
Insurance	Broader Term

Performance appraisal

Personnel management	Broader Term
Performance assessment	Related Term

Performance assessment

Personnel management	Broader Term
Performance appraisal	Related Term
Performance indicators	Related Term
Performance measures	Related Term

Performance indicators

Personnel management	Broader Term
Performance assessment	Related Term

Performance standards

Personnel management	Broader Term
Standards	Broader Term
Service evaluation	Related Term

Personal support services

The process of assisting the diverse, immediate as well as long term personal needs of people affected by an emergency.

Welfare support	Broader Term
Disaster welfare services	Related Term

Personnel

Human resources	Broader Term
Leadership	Related Term
Management	Related Term
Peer support	Related Term
Recruitment	Related Term
Stress management	Related Term
Personnel management	Narrower Term
Personnel services	Narrower Term

Personnel Management

Management	Broader term
Industrial relations	Related Term
Competencies	Narrower Term
Delegation of authority	Narrower Term
Performance appraisal	Narrower Term
Performance assessment	Narrower Term
Performance indicators	Narrower Term
Performance measures	Narrower Term
Personnel standards	Narrower Term
Supervision	Narrower Term

Personnel services			
Personnel		Broader Term	
Personnel management		Broader Term	
Pest control			
Vermin		Related Term	
Pesticides		Narrower Term	
Pesticides			
A chemical or mixture of chemicals used to destroy, prevent or control any living organism considered to be a pest.			
Agricultural chemicals		Broader Term	
Pest control		Broader Term	
Biological warfare		Related Term	
Fungicides		Related Term	
Herbicides		Narrower Term	
Insecticides		Narrower Term	
Petrochemical industry			
Chemical industry		Broader Term	
Industries		Broader Term	
Petrochemicals			
Chemicals made from petroleum.			
Chemicals		Broader Term	
Petroleum products		Broader Term	
Flammable materials		Related Term	
Petroleum		Related Term	
Petrol stations			
Service stations		Use	
Petroleum			
Any naturally occurring hydrocarbon or mixture of hydrocarbons in a gaseous or liquid state.			
Petrochemicals		Related Term	
Petroleum industry			
Chemical industry		Broader Term	
Industries		Broader Term	
Petroleum pipelines			
Pipelines		Broader Term	
Petroleum products			
Petrochemicals		Narrower Term	
Petroleum refineries			
Oil refineries		Non-preferred Term	
Refineries		Related Term	
Pets			
Domestic animals		Related Term	
Pharmaceutical services			
Pharmacies		Broader Term	
Pharmacies			
Chemists		Related Term	
Pharmaceutical services		Narrower Term	
Photography			
Aerial photography		Related Term	
Geographic information systems		Related Term	
Physical restraints			
Immobilisation		Related Term	
Physically handicapped			
Disabled persons		Broader Term	
Physiological stress			
Stress, physiology		Broader Term	
Piers			
Wharves		Related Term	
Jetties		Narrower Term	
Pipelines			
Gas pipelines		Narrower Term	
Petroleum pipelines		Narrower Term	
Plague			
Diseases		Related Term	
Epidemics		Related Term	
Infections		Related Term	
Infestation		Related Term	
Planning			
Management		Related Term	
Business planning		Narrower Term	
Strategic planning		Narrower Term	
Urban planning		Narrower Term	

Plans

Formal records of agreed emergency management roles, responsibilities, strategies, systems and arrangements.

Contingency plans	
Cyclone plans	Narrower Term
Disaster plans	Narrower Term
Emergency plans	Narrower Term
Flood plans	Narrower Term
Hurricane plans	Narrower Term
Recovery plans	Narrower Term
Response plans	Narrower Term
Strategic plans	Narrower Term

Plant diseases

Diseases	Broader Term
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Plants

Algae	Narrower Term
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Plumes

(a) Columns of non-combustible products emitted from a fire (smoke)

(b) Vapour cloud formations having shape and buoyancy

(c) The airborne radioactive materials released from a nuclear power plant and carried by the prevailing winds which may effect radiologically those downwind areas over which it passes.

Poisoning

Food poisoning	Narrower Term
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Poisonous substances

Poisons	Use
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Poisons

Substances that, when introduced in sufficient quantity into an animal organism by ingestion, inhalation or absorption, destroys or threatens to destroy life or injures health.

Poisonous substances	Non-preferred Term
Hazardous materials	Broader Term
Toxic gases	Related Term
Toxic liquids	Related Term
Toxic	Related Term
Toxicology	Related Term

Poisons information centres	Narrower Term
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Poisons Information Centres

Poisons	Broader Term
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Police

Emergency service personnel	Broader Term
Police communication systems	Related Term
Police powers	Related Term
Police regulations	Related Term
Police services	Related Term
Police vehicles	Related Term
Police officers	Narrower Term

Police communication systems

Communications systems	Broader Term
Police	Related Term

Police officers

Police	Broader Term
Emergency personnel	Related Term

Police powers

Police	Related Term
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Police regulations

Police	Related Term
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Police services

Emergency services	Broader Term
Collocation	Related Term
Law enforcement	Related Term
Police	Related Term

Police stations

Buildings	Broader Term
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Police vehicles

Emergency vehicles	Broader Term
Police	Related Term

Pollution

Degradation of one or more elements or aspects in the environment by noxious industrial, chemical or biological wastes, from debris or man-made products and from mismanagement of natural and environmental resources.

Contamination	Related Term
Effluents	Related Term
Oil spills	Related Term
Air pollution	Narrower Term
Atmospheric pollution	Narrower Term
Environmental pollution	Narrower Term
Marine pollution	Narrower Term
Oil pollution	Narrower Term
Soil pollution	Narrower Term
Water pollution	Narrower Term

Pollution management

Ground water	Related Term
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Population

Demography	Related Term
Migration	Related Term

Population at risk

A well defined population whose lives, property and livelihoods are threatened by given hazards.

Population density

Demographics	Broader Term
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Population statistics

Demographics	Broader Term
Census	Related Term

Ports

Harbours	Non-preferred Term
Docks	Related Term
Wharves	Related Term
Marinas	Narrower Term

Post disaster mitigation

Disasters	Related Term
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Post disaster operations

Disasters	Related Term
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Post mortems

Autopsies	Use
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Post traumatic stress

Symptoms or reactions following an abnormal event.

Stress, physiology	Broader Term
Counselling	Related Term
Critical incident stress	Related Term
Post-traumatic stress debriefing	Related Term
Psychological debriefing	Related Term
Psychological response to danger	Related Term
Trauma	Related Term
Traumatic stress	Related Term
Post-traumatic stress disorder	Narrower Term

Post traumatic stress debriefing

Debriefing	Broader Term
Critical incident stress debriefing	Related Term
Post traumatic stress	Related Term
Psychological debriefing	Related Term

Post traumatic stress disorder

An anxiety disorder, beyond the normal response to stress, caused by exposure to a highly traumatic event that has been excessively demanding.

Post-traumatic stress	Broader Term
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Potable water

Drinking Water	Use
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Power failures

Electricity supply	Broader Term
Blackouts	Related Term
Brownouts	Related Term

Power stations

Nuclear power plants	Related Term
Hydro-electric power stations	Narrower Term

Power supplies

Electricity supply	Narrower Term
Emergency power supplies	Narrower Term

Prediction

A statement of the expected time, place and magnitude of a future event.

Forecasting	Related Term
Bush fire prediction	Narrower Term
Earthquake prediction	Narrower Term
Flood predictions	Narrower Term

Pre-hospital care

Disaster medicine	Related Term
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Preliminary flood warning

A warning issued by the Bureau of Meteorology when flood producing rains are occurring or are expected over particular river catchments.

Flood warnings	Broader Term
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Preparedness

Activities designed to minimise loss of life and damage, to organise the temporary removal of people and property from a threatened location and facilitate timely and effective rescue, relief and rehabilitation.

Cyclone preparedness	Narrower Term
Disaster preparedness	Narrower Term
Earthquake preparedness	Narrower Term
Emergency preparedness	Narrower Term

Prescribed burning

The deliberate and controlled burning of vegetation growing close to, or on the ground to minimise the fuel supply for future bush or forest fires.

Controlled burning	Related Term
Fuel reduction	Related Term
Hazard reduction	Related Term

Preservation

Conservation	Related Term
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Press

Media	Broader Term
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Pressure

Millibars	Related Term
Atmospheric pressure	Narrower Term

Pressure burst

BLEVE	Use
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Prisoners

Prisons	Related Term
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Prisons

Gaols	Non-preferred Term
Jails	Non-preferred Term
Buildings	Broader Term
Prisoners	Related Term

Privacy

Confidentiality	Related Term
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Probabilities

Frequency	Related Term
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Probability

The likelihood of a specific outcome, measured by the ratio of specific outcomes to the total number of possible outcomes.

Probability analysis	Narrower Term
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Probability analysis

The derivation of both the likelihood of incidents occurring and the likelihood of particular outcomes (or effects) should these events occur.

Frequency analysis	Non-preferred Term
Probability	Broader Term

Procedures

Pre-planned detailed directions for dealing with specific occurrences.

Directives	Related Term
Protocol	Related Term
Recovery procedures	Narrower Term
Standard operating procedures	Narrower Term
Standby	Narrower Term

Professional liability

Liability	Broader Term
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Protective clothing

Equipment designed to protect the wearer from heat and/or dangerous goods contacting the skin or eyes.

Full protective clothing	Non-preferred Term
Clothing	Broader Term
Protective equipment	Related Term

Protective equipment

Protective clothing	Related Term
Breathing apparatus	Narrower Term

Protocol

Procedures	Related Term
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Psychiatric emergencies

Human behaviour	Related Term
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Psychiatry

Human behaviour	Related Term
Psychotherapy	Related Term

Psychological assessment

Psychology	Related Term
Psychological services	Related Term

Psychological debriefing

Critical incident stress	
debriefing	Related Term
Post-traumatic stress	Related Term
Post-traumatic stress	
debriefing	Related Term
Psychological services	Related Term
Traumatic stress	Related Term
Debriefing	Broader Term

Psychological impact

Psychology	Related Term
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Psychological response to danger

Post-traumatic stress	Related Term
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Psychological services

The specific forms of assistance, ranging from initial support through to longer term clinical treatment, provided by trained personnel within this framework.

Psychological assessment	Related Term
Psychological debriefing	Related Term
Psychological stress	Related Term

Psychological stress

Psychological services	Related Term
Traumatic stress	Related Term

Psychology

Psychological assessment	Related Term
Psychological impact	Related Term
Psychotherapy	Related Term
Disaster psychology	Narrower Term
Disaster victim psychology	Narrower Term
Human behaviour	Narrower Term

Psychotherapy

Psychiatry	Related Term
Psychology	Related Term

Public awareness

The process of informing the public as to the nature of the hazard and actions needed to save lives and property prior to and in the event of disaster.

Community preparedness	Related Term
Disaster education	Related Term
Public education	Related Term
Community awareness	Narrower Term

Public education

Safety education	Broader Term
Community awareness	Related Term
Community education	Related Term
Public awareness	Related Term

Public health

The discipline in health sciences that, at the level of the community or the public, aims at promoting prevention of disease, sanitary living, laws, practices and healthier environment.

Health	Broader Term
Environmental health	Related Term
Environmental health officer	Related Term
Quarantine	Related Term
Sanitation	Related Term
Public health services	Narrower Term

Public health services

Health services	Broader Term
Public health	Broader Term

Public participation

Citizen participation	Non-preferred Term
Community awareness	Related Term

Public relations

Management	Broader Term
Business	Related Term
Emergency services	Related Term
Media	Related Term

Public safety

Community safety	Related Term
Safety education	Related Term

Public service

Career government service and the laws governing it.

Civil service	Non-preferred Term
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Public shelters

Shelters	Broader Term
Air raid shelters	Related Term

Public utilities

Lifelines	Related Term
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Public welfare

Welfare services	Related Term
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Pyromania

Arson	Related Term
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Pyrotechnics

Fireworks	Use
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Q

Quality assurance

Management	Related Term
Quality control	Related Term

Quality control

Management	Related Term
Quality assurance	Related Term

Quarantine

Legal restrictions imposed on a place or trace of land by the serving of a notice and limiting access or egress of specified animals, persons or things.

Exotic animal diseases	Related Term
Public health	Related Term
Zoonoses	Related Term

R

Racism

Discrimination	Related Term
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Radiant heat

Heat	Broader Term
Exposure hazard	Related Term

Radiation

Electromagnetic waves or quanta, and atomic or sub-atomic particles, propagated through spaces or through a material medium.

Radiation injuries	Related Term
Radiation standards	Related Term
Radioactivity	Related Term
Atmospheric radiation	Narrower Term
Dosimeters	Narrower Term
Non-ionising radiation	Narrower Term
Nuclear radiation	Narrower Term
Radiation decontamination	Narrower Term
Radioactive fallout	Narrower Term
Radioactive hazards	Narrower Term
Radioisotope	Narrower Term
Solar radiation	Narrower Term
Thermal radiation	Narrower Term

Radiation decontamination

Radiation	Broader Term
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Radiation hazards

Technological hazards	Broader Term
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Radiation injuries

Radiation	Related Term
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Radiation standards

Radiation	Related Term
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Radio communications

Communications	Broader Term
Call signs	Related Term
Radio frequencies	Related Term
Radio frequency allocation	Related Term
Radio operators	Related Term
Radios	Related Term
Satellite communications	Related Term
Telecommunications	Related Term

Radio equipment

Radio communications	Related Term
Radios	Related Term

Radio frequency

Radio communications	Related Term
Radios	Related Term

Radio frequency allocation

Radio communications	Related Term
Radios	Related Term

Radio operators

Radio communications	Related Term
Radios	Related Term
Citizen Band operators	Narrower Term
Ham radio operators	Narrower Term

Radioactive hazards

Radiation	Broader Term
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Radioactive materials

Materials which spontaneously emit ionizing radiation.

Radioactive substances	Non-preferred Term
Hazardous materials	Broader Term
Nuclear radiation	Related Term
Nuclear fuels	Narrower Term
Radioactive materials transportation	Narrower Term
Radioactive pollution	Narrower Term

Radioactive materials transportation

Hazardous materials transportation	Broader Term
Radioactive materials	Broader Term

Radioactive pollution

Radioactive materials	Broader Term
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Radioactive substances

Radioactive materials	Use
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Radioactive waste disposal

Waste disposal sites	Broader Term
Radioactive wastes	Related Term

Radioactive wastes

Conventional materials that have been contaminated with radiation.

Hazardous materials	Broader Term
Wastes	Broader Term
Radioactive waste disposal	Related Term
Radioactive waste sites	Related Term

Radioactive fallout

The descent of airborne particles of dust, soot, or, more particularly, of radioactive materials resulting from a nuclear explosion.

Fallout shelters	Narrower Term
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Radioactivity

The property of certain radionuclides of spontaneously emitting particles or gamma radiation or of emitting x-radiation following orbital electron capture or of undergoing spontaneous fission.

Radiation	Related Term
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Radioisotope

An isotope which is radioactive.

Radiation	Broader Term
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Radios

Radio equipment	Broader Term
Radio communications	Related Term
Radio frequency	Related Term
Radio frequency allocation	Related Term
Radio operators	Related Term

Rail tankers

Tankers	Broader Term
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Rail transportation

Transportation	Broader Term
Railways	Related Term

Railroad accidents

Accidents	Broader Term
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Railroads

Railways	Use
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Railway terminals

Railways	Broader Term
Volcanic ash	Broader Term

Railway tunnels

Railways	Broader Term
Tunnels	Broader Term

Railways

Railroads	Non-preferred Term
Level crossings	Related Term
Rail transportation	Related Term
Trains	Related Term
Railway terminals	Narrower Term
Railway tunnels	Narrower Term
Underground railways	Narrower Term

Rain and Rainfall

Weather hazards	Broader Term
Acid rain	Narrower Term
Deluges	Narrower Term

Rainforests

Forests	Broader Term
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Reception centres

Centres established for the immediate receipt of evacuees and as such will be the initial source for the delivery of welfare services to those evacuees.

Evacuation centres	Related Term
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Reconnaissance

Disaster assessment	Related Term
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Reconstruction

Actions taken to re-establish a community after a period of rehabilitation subsequent to a disaster. Actions would include construction of permanent housing, full restoration of all services, and complete resumption of the pre-disaster state.

Rehabilitation	Related Term
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Records management

Management	Broader Term
Information management	Related Term

Recovery

(a) The coordinated process of supporting emergency affected communities in reconstruction of the physical infrastructure and restoration of emotional, social, economic and physical well being.

(b) In oil spills, the entire process of the physical removal of spilled oil from land, water or shoreline environment.

Community recovery	Non-preferred Term
Disaster recovery	Related Term
Community recovery committees	Narrower Term
Recovery plans	Narrower Term

Recovery Agency

An agency having a role or responsibility under Emergency Recovery Plans or in the recovery arrangements.

Organisations	Related Term
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Recovery management

Disaster recovery	Broader Term
Emergency response	Broader Term
State Recovery Coordinator	Narrower Term

Recovery plans

Plans	Broader Term
Recovery	Broader Term
Disaster plans	Related Term
Disaster recovery	Related Term

Recovery procedures

Procedures taken after the emergency to restore the affected area and people as nearly as possible to a functional state.

Procedures	Broader Term
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Recruitment

Personnel	Related Term
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Red Cross

The worldwide organisation active in humanitarian work.

Non-government organisations	Broader Term
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Relief agencies	Broader Term		
Re-engineering			
Management strategies to improve effectiveness of operations and processes.			
Organisational change	Related Term		
Refineries			
Petroleum refineries	Related Term		
Refinery fires	Related Term		
Sugar refineries	Narrower Term		
Refinery fires			
Refineries	Related Term		
Refrigeration			
Refrigeration plants	Narrower Term		
Refrigeration plants			
Refrigeration	Broader Term		
Refrigeration systems	Broader Term		
Cold storage	Related Term		
Refrigeration systems			
Refrigeration plants	Narrower Term		
Refuelling			
Fuels	Related Term		
Aircraft refuelling	Narrower Term		
Refuge fire shelters			
Fire refuge areas	Use		
Refugees			
Persons having a well-founded fear of persecution for reasons of race, religion, nationality, membership of a particular social group or public opinion. Includes the mass exodus of peoples for reasons of conflict and natural disasters.			
Displaced persons	Related Term		
Refugees health	Related Term		
Refugees political	Related Term		
Refugees health			
Displaced persons	Related Term		
Refugees	Related Term		
Refugees, Political			
Refugees	Related Term		
Refuse			
Wastes	Use		
Refuse disposal			
Waste disposal	Use		
Registration			
The process of recording details of all people affected by an emergency or disaster whether they are evacuated or remain in the affected area.			
Emergency management	Related Term		
National Registration and Inquiry System	Narrower Term		
Regulations			
Legislation	Broader Term		
Safety regulations	Narrower Term		
Rehabilitation			
The operations and decisions after a disaster, with the view to restoring to the stricken country, communities, families and individuals the former living conditions, whilst at the same time encouraging and facilitating the necessary adjustments to the changes caused by the disaster.			
Disaster relief	Related Term		
Industrial hygiene	Related Term		
Reconstruction	Related Term		
Relief			
The provision of immediate shelter, life support and human needs of persons affected by, or responding to, an emergency.			
Appeals	Related Term		
Food aid	Related Term		
Relief agencies	Related Term		
Relief operations	Related Term		
Relief payments	Related Term		
Disaster relief	Narrower Term		
Drought relief	Narrower Term		
Emergency relief	Narrower Term		
War relief	Narrower Term		

Relief agencies

Relief organisations	Non-preferred Term
Non-government organisation	Related Term
Relief	Related Term
St John Ambulance Australia	Related Term
Voluntary organisations	Related Term
Red Cross	Narrower Term

Relief operations

Relief	Related Term
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Relief organisations

Relief agencies	Use
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Relief payments

Aid	Related Term
Emergency grants	Related Term
Relief	Related Term

Relocation

Movement of persons and/or organisations to an alternate area

Evacuation	Related Term
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Remote areas

Areas where because of distance, time or circumstance, the medical resources required to adequately manage the event are delayed to the potential detriment of the casualties.

Disaster management	Related Term
Emergency management	Related Term

Remote sensing

The observation and/or study of an area, object or phenomenon from an aerial distance, frequently using data collected by satellite.

Geographic Information Systems	Related Term
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Rescue aircraft

Use of aircraft in sea rescue.

Aircraft	Broader Term
Rescue operations	Related Term
Air sea rescue	Narrower Term

Rescue appliances

Emergency vehicles	Broader Term
Fire appliances	Related Term
Rescue operations	Related Term

Rescue equipment

Equipment	Broader Term
Rescue operations	Related Term
Airbags, rescue equipment	Narrower Term

Rescue operations

The organisation of the safe removal of persons or animals from actual or threatened danger or physical harm.

Rescue work	Non-preferred Term
Rescues	Non-preferred Term
Rescue	Broader Term
Extrication	Related Term
Rescue aircraft	Related Term
Rescue appliances	Related Term
Rescue equipment	Related Term
Rescue teams	Related Term
Search and rescue operations	Related Term
Search operations	Related Term
Urban search and rescue	Related Term
Air sea rescue	Narrower Term
Aircraft rescue	Narrower Term
Avalanche rescue	Narrower Term
Cave rescue	Narrower Term
Confined space rescue	Narrower Term
Flood rescue	Narrower Term
Marine rescue	Narrower Term
Mine rescue work	Narrower Term
Motor vehicle rescue	Narrower Term
Sea rescue	Narrower Term
Trench rescue	Narrower Term
Urban heavy rescue	Narrower Term
Water rescue	Narrower Term

Rescue services

Emergency services	Broader Term
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Rescue teams

Rescue operations	Related Term
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Rescue work

Rescue operations	Use
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Rescues

Rescue operations	Use
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Reservoirs

Artificial lakes, ponds or basins for storage, regulation and control of water, silt, debris or other liquid or liquid-borne materials.

Bunds	Related Term
Dams	Related Term
Spillways	Related Term
Lakes	Related Term
Weirs	Related Term
Flood dams	Narrower Term
Spillage control	Narrower Term

Resettlement

Actions necessary for the permanent settlement of persons dislocated or otherwise affected by a disaster to an area different from their last place of habitation.

Evacuation	Related Term
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Residential buildings

Buildings	Broader Term
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Residual risk

The remaining level of risk after risk treatment measures have been taken.

Risk	Broader Term
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Resource centres

Information services	Related Term
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Resources

All personnel and equipment available, or potentially available, for incident tasks.

Respiration

Breathing apparatus	Related Term
Respirators	Related Term

Respirators

Breathing apparatus	Related Term
Respiration	Related Term

Response

Actions taken in anticipation of, during, and immediately after an emergency to ensure that its effects are minimised, and that people affected are given immediate relief and support.

Fire cover	Related Term
Response time	Related Term
Emergency response	Narrower Term

Response Agency

An agency having a role or responsibility under State Emergency Response Plans or the response arrangements.

Disaster response	Broader Term
Emergency response	Broader Term

Response planning

Contingency planning	Related Term
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Response plans

Plans	Broader Term
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Response time

Alarm systems	Related Term
Detectors	Related Term
Extinguishing systems	Related Term
Response	Related Term

Restricted areas

Declared areas in which defined rigorous conditions apply to the movement in, out of, and within, of specified animals, persons and things.

Control areas	Related Term
Exclusion areas	Related Term
Infected areas	Related Term

Resuscitation

Reviving one who is seriously injured or apparently dead.

Resuscitation orders	Related Term
Cardio-pulmonary resuscitation	Narrower Term

Resuscitation orders

Resuscitation	Related Term
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Revolutions

Insurgencies	Use
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Richter scale	
An open-ended logarithmic scale used to express the magnitude or total energy of a seismic disturbance (or earthquake). A measure of the amplitude of earthquake waves at their point of origin, giving an indication of how much energy has been released.	
Earthquakes	Related Term
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Riot control	
Riots	Related Term
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Riots	
Civil disorder	Broader Term
Crowds	Related Term
Panic	Related Term
Riot control	Related Term
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Risk	
A concept used to describe the likelihood of a consequence arising from a set of circumstances.	
Risk analysis	Related Term
Risk communication	Related Term
Risk criteria	Related Term
Risk identification	Related Term
Risk factors	Related Term
Risk level	Related Term
Risk perception	Related Term
Acceptable risk	Narrower Term
Environmental risk	Narrower Term
Incidents	Narrower Term
Individual risk	Narrower Term
Involuntary risk	Narrower Term
Negligible risk	Narrower Term
Residual risk	Narrower Term
Risk assessment	Narrower Term
Risk treatment	Narrower Term
Risk management	Narrower Term
Societal risk	Narrower Term
Technological risk	Narrower Term
Tolerable risk	Narrower Term

Risk analysis

A systematic use of available information to determine how often specific events may occur and the magnitude of their likely consequences.

Hazard audits	Related Term
Risk	Related Term
Risk assessment	Related Term

Risk assessment

The process used to determine risk management priorities by evaluating and comparing the level of risk against predetermined standards, target risk levels or other criteria.

Risk	Broader Term
Risk analysis	Related Term

Risk communication

Interactive processes involving the exchange of information and opinion about risk among individuals, groups, and institutions.

Communication	Broader Term
Risk	Related Term
Risk perception	Related Term

Risk criteria

Standards by which the results of risk assessment can be assessed.

Individual risk	Related Term
Risk	Related Term

Risk factors

Factors	Broader Term
Risk	Related Term

Risk identification

Risk	Related Term
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Risk level

The degree of quantitative risk.

Risk	Related Term
Risk management	Related Term

Risk management

The systematic application of management, procedures and practices to the tasks of identifying, analysing, evaluating, treating and monitoring risk.

Risk	Broader Term
Insurance	Related Term
Risk level	Related Term

Risk minimisation

Insurance	Broader Term
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Risk mitigation

Mitigation	Broader Term
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Risk perception

Risk	Related Term
Risk communication	Related Term
Risk reduction	Related Term

Risk reduction

A selective application of appropriate techniques and management principles to reduce either likelihood of an occurrence or its consequences, or both.

Risk perception	Related Term
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Risk treatment

Selection and implementation of appropriate intervention strategies for dealing with risk.

Risk	Broader Term
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Rivers

Glaciers	Related Term
Lakes	Related Term
Creeks	Narrower Term
Streams	Narrower Term

Road accident rescue

The freeing and extrication of trapped people from motor vehicles.

Motor vehicle rescue	Related Term
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Road accidents

Motor vehicle accidents	Non-preferred
Term Accidents	Broader Term
Bus accidents	Related Term

Road safety

Roads	Related Term
Heavy vehicle safety	Narrower Term

Road tankers

Tankers	Broader Term
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Road transport

Road transportation	Use
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Road transportation

Transportation	Broader Term
Motor vehicles	Related Term
Roads	Related Term
Trucks	Narrower Term

Road tunnels

Roads	Broader Term
Tunnels	Broader Term

Roads

Road safety	Related Term
Road transportation	Related Term
Freeways	Narrower Term
Highways	Narrower Term
Road tunnels	Narrower Term

Rock falls

Free-falling or precipitous movement of a newly detached segment of bedrock of any size from a cliff or other very steep slope.

Landslides	Broader Term
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Rope rescue

Cordage	Related Term
Lifelines	Related Term

Royal Flying Doctor Service

Aeromedical services	Related Term
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Runoff

That part of precipitation which flows towards a river on the ground surface (surface runoff) or within the soil (subsurface runoff or interflow).

Floods	Related Term
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Rural areas

Country areas

Non-preferred Term

S**Sabotage**

Terrorism

Related Term

Safe areas

Shelters

Related Term

Safety audits

Hazard audits

Use

Safety education

Education

Broader Term

Public safety

Related Term

Public education

Narrower Term

Safety equipment

Airbags, safety equipment

Narrower Term

Safety regulations

Regulations

Broader Term

Sailing

Boats and boating

Related Term

Salination

Desalination

Related Term

Salvage

Mopping up

Related Term

Salvage operations

The clean-up of debris after an incident including salvage.

Mopping up

Related Term

Salvation Army

Non-government organisations Related Term

Sand storms

Storms

Broader Term

Sanitation

The application of measures and techniques aimed at ensuring and improving general hygiene to the community.

Public health

Related Term

Satellite communication systems

Satellites Broader Term

Satellite communications

Radio communications Related Term

SatellitesGlobal positioning system Related Term
Meteorological satellites Narrower Term

Schools

Buildings Broader Term

Sea level

Sea level rise Related Term

Sea level riseGlobal warming Related Term
Sea level Related Term

Sea rescue

Rescue operations Broader Term

Sea surges

Rises in sea level that results in the inundation of areas along the coastlines caused by movement of ocean and sea current, winds and major storms.

Storm surges Related Term

Sea transportationTransportation Broader Term
Ships Related Term

Search and rescue

The process of locating and recovering disaster victims and the application of first aid and basic medical assistance as may be required.

Urban search and rescue Related Term
Search and rescue operations Narrower Term

Search and rescue operations

Operations related to the location and recovery of disaster victims.

Search and rescue Broader Term
Rescue operations Related Term
Rescue operations Related Term
Search operations Related Term
Urban heavy rescue Related Term
Air sea rescue Narrower Term
Informed consent Narrower Term
Urban search and rescue Narrower Term

Search operationsSearches Broader Term
Land searches Related Term
Rescue operations Related Term
Search and rescue operations Related Term

Searches

Search operations Narrower Term

Secondary hazards

Hazards occurring as a result of another hazard or disaster.

Hazards Broader Term

SecurityInformation security Narrower Term
Internal security Narrower Term
National security Narrower Term

Security systems

Alarm systems Related Term

Seismic risk

Earthquake risk Use

Seismic safety

Earthquake safety Use

Seismic zones

A region within which there is an obvious grouping of earthquake epicentres

Earthquakes Related Term

Seismology

The study of earthquakes, seismic sources and wave propagation through the earth.

Earthquakes Related Term

Service evaluation

Business Related Term

Management Related Term

Performance standards Related Term

Service stations

Petrol stations Non-preferred Term

Buildings Broader Term

Fuel depots Related Term

Services, Marketing

Marketing of safety, fire safety, road safety programs and services.

Marketing Broader Term

Severe storms

Storms Broader Term

Sewage

Sewage disposal Related Term

Wastes

Sewage disposal

Sewage Related Term

Shafts, Evacuation

Earthwork excavation Broader Term

Ventilation Related Term

Mine shafts Narrower Term

Shelters

Physical protection requirements of disaster victims who no longer have access to normal habitation facilities.

Emergency accommodation Related Term

Evacuation areas Related Term

Safe areas Related Term

Temporary accommodation Related Term

Bomb shelters Narrower Term

Emergency shelters Narrower Term

Fallout shelters Narrower Term

Public shelters Narrower Term

Ships

Life boats Related Term

Sea transportation Related Term

Boats and boating Narrower Term

Cargo ships Narrower Term

Container ships Narrower Term

Ferries Narrower Term

Passenger ships Narrower Term

Tanker ships Narrower Term

Tankers Narrower Term

Warships Narrower Term

Shipwrecks

Maritime disasters Broader Term

Shock

Electric shocks Narrower Term

Toxic shock Narrower Term

Traumatic shock Narrower Term

Shock waves

Blast wave Use

Shootings

Crime Related Term

Shopping centres

Malls Narrower Term

Sieges

Hostages Related Term

Signals

Communications Related Term

Sirens Related Term

Signs and signboards

Codes Related Term

Simulation methods

Exercises Related Term

Simulation training

Drills Related Term

Mock disaster training Related Term

Sirens

Signals Related Term

Vehicle warning systems	Related Term		
Small business			
Business continuity	Related Term		
Business planning	Related Term		
Business recovery	Related Term		
Smoke			
Carbon or soot particles or tarry droplets less than 0.1 micrometre in size, and suspended in air, which result from the incomplete combustion of carbonaceous materials such as coal or oil.			
Combustion products	Broader Term		
Gases	Related Term		
Vapours	Related Term		
Smoke damage			
Damage	Broader Term		
Fire damage	Broader Term		
Snow storms			
Storms	Broader Term		
Blizzards	Narrower Term		
Social change			
Sociology	Broader Term		
Societal risk			
The risk of a number of fatalities occurring. The societal risk concept is based on the premise that society is more concerned with incidents which kill a larger number of people than incidents which kill fewer numbers.			
Risk	Broader Term		
Group risk	Related Term		
Individual risk	Related Term		
Sociology			
Socio-economic	characterisation	of	population.
Demography	Related Term		
Social change	Narrower Term		
Socio-technological disasters			
Disasters arising from the interaction between people and technology.			
Disasters	Broader Term		
Technological disasters	Related Term		
Soil conservation			
Conservation	Broader Term		
Soil contamination			
Soil pollution	Use		
Soil creep			
Landslides	Related Term		
Soil degradation			
Land degradation	Use		
Soil erosion			
Erosion	Broader Term		
Soil pollution			
Soil contamination	Non-preferred Term		
Pollution	Broader Term		
Atmospheric pollution	Related Term		
Water pollution	Related Term		
Solar energy			
Fuels	Broader Term		
Solar radiation			
Radiation	Broader Term		
Greenhouse effect, atmospheric	Related Term		
Space debris			
Debris	Broader Term		
Special events			
Events	Broader Term		
Olympic Games	Related Term		
Spectator control			
Crowd control	Use		
Spillage control			
Reservoirs	Broader Term		
Booms	Related Term		
Bunds	Related Term		
Spills			
Leakage	Related Term		
Maritime disasters	Related Term		
Chemical spills	Narrower Term		

Hazardous materials spills	Narrower Term	Relief agencies	Related Term
Spillways		Stadiums	
Weirs, conduits, tunnels, channels or other structures designed to permit discharges from the reservoir when water levels rise above the crest controlling flow down or into the spillway structure.		Grandstands	Related Term
Dams	Related Term	Sports grounds	Related Term
Reservoirs	Related Term	Staging areas	
Spinal cord injuries		A prearranged, strategically placed area where support response personnel, vehicles and other equipment can be held in readiness for use during an emergency.	
Accidents, Wounds and injuries	Broader Term	Disaster management	Broader Term
Wounds and injuries	Broader Term	Emergency management	Broader Term
Immobilisation	Related Term	Standard operating procedures	
Spineboards		A set of directions detailing what actions should be taken, as well as how, when, by whom and why, for specific events or tasks.	
Backboards	Non-preferred Term	Standing operating procedures	Non-preferred Term
Cervical collars	Related Term	Procedures	Broader Term
Immobilisation	Related Term	Emergency operations manual	Related Term
Spontaneous combustion		Emergency procedures	Related Term
(a) The process of increase in temperature of a material to a point of ignition without drawing heat from its surroundings		Standards	
(b) A biological or chemical reaction which produces heating to point of ignition resulting in combustion.		Building codes	Related Term
Combustion	Broader Term	Fire protection	Related Term
Spontaneous ignition		Hazardous materials standards	Narrower Term
Ignition	Broader Term	Performance standards	Narrower Term
Sports grounds		Standby	
Grandstands	Related Term	That period normally following alert when deployment of resources is imminent.	
Stadiums	Related Term	Procedures	Broader Term
Spot fires		Standing operating procedures	
Isolated fires started ahead of the main fire by sparks, embers or other ignited material, sometimes to a distance of several kilometres.		Standard operating procedures	Use
Fires	Broader Term	State Emergency Service (SES)	
St John Ambulance Australia		Emergency personnel	Related Term
A national charitable organisation dedicated to the relief of persons in sickness, distress, suffering or danger.		Territory Emergency Services	Related Term
Non-government organisations	Related Term	State of alert	
		A condition that may be declared when an occurrence or an impending occurrence is	

likely to cause loss of life or injury to persons.

Alerts Broader Term

State of disaster

A condition that may be declared under a State Emergency Services Act by the Governor or the Premier when, on the recommendation of the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, it appears that a disaster has occurred.

Declaration of disaster Related Term

Disasters Related Term

State of emergency

Declaration of disaster Related Term

State Recovery Coordinator

Recovery management Broader Term

Statutory authorities

Organisations Broader Term

Sterilisation

Disinfection Related Term

Stockpiling

Storage Broader Term

Storage

Hazardous materials storage Narrower Term

Stockpiling Narrower Term

Water storage Narrower Term

Storage tanks

Fuel storage tanks Related Term

Underground storage tanks Narrower Term

Storm damage

Damage Broader Term

Storms Related Term

Storm surges

A sudden rise of sea as a result of high winds and low atmospheric pressure; sometimes called a storm tide, storm wave, or tidal wave. Generally affects only coastal areas but may intrude some distance inland.

Cyclone surges Non-preferred Term

Storm tide

Non-preferred Term

Storms

Broader Term

Sea surges

Related Term

Tsunamis

Related Term

Storm tide

Storm surges

Use

Storm warnings

Any forecast of severe weather conditions.

Warning systems

Broader Term

Warnings

Broader Term

Storms

Atmospheric disturbances involving perturbations of the prevailing pressure and wind fields, on scales ranging from tornadoes (1 km across) to extra-tropical cyclones (2000-3000 km across).

Natural disasters

Broader Term

Deluges

Related Term

Gales

Related Term

Storm damage

Related Term

Dust storms

Narrower Term

Fire storms

Narrower Term

Hail storms

Narrower Term

Ice storms

Narrower Term

Monsoons

Narrower Term

Sand storms

Narrower Term

Severe storms

Narrower Term

Snow storms

Narrower Term

Storm surges

Narrower Term

Thunderstorms

Narrower Term

Weather hazards

Narrower Term

Windstorms

Narrower Term

Strategic management

Management

Broader Term

Strategic planning

Planning

Broader Term

Strategic plans

Plans

Broader Term

Streams

Rivers

Broader Term

Stress, physiology

Counselling	Related Term
Fatigue	Related Term
Human behaviour	Related Term
Stress management	Related Term
Trauma	Related Term
Heat stress	Narrower Term
Critical incident stress	Narrower Term
Occupational stress	Narrower Term
Physiological stress	Narrower Term
Post traumatic stress	Narrower Term

Stress management

Personnel	Related Term
Stress (physiology)	Related Term
Trauma management	Related Term

Structural design

Building construction	Narrower Term
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Structural engineering

Building construction	Narrower Term
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Structural factors

Factors	Broader Term
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Structural failures

Bridge failures	Related Term
Building collapse	Related Term
Building failures	Narrower Term

Structures

Buildings	Use
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Subsidence

Collapse of a considerable area of land surface, due to the removal of liquid or solid underlying or removal of soluble material by means of water.

Landslides	Related Term
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Subways

Underground railways	Related Term
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Sugar refineries

Refineries	Broader Term
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Suicide

Deaths	Broader Term
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Supervision

Personnel management	Broader Term
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Support agencies

Agencies which provide essential services, personnel, or material to support to assist a control agency or affected persons.

Control agencies Broader Term

Survival

Survival period Related Term

Survival rate Related Term

Survival skills Related Term

Survival techniques Related Term

Survival period

Survival Related Term

Survival rate

Survival Related Term

Survival skills

Survival Related Term

Survival techniques

Survival Related Term

Survivors

Victims Related Term

Systems failures

Failures Broader Term

T

Table top exercises

An umbrella term for some types of indoor discussion.

Education Broader Term

Drills Related Term

Exercises Broader Term

Tanker fires

Oil fires Related Term

Tanker ship fires

Fires Broader Term

Tanker ships Related Term

Tanker ships

Ships Broader Term

Tankers Broader Term

Cargo ships Related Term

Tanker ship fires Related Term

Tankers

Oil tankers Non-preferred
Term

Ships Broader Term

Chemical carriers (tankers) Narrower Term

Rail tankers Narrower Term

Road tankers Narrower Term

Tanker ships Narrower Term

Tanks

Water tanks Related Term

Liquefied petroleum gas
tanks Narrower Term

Oil tanks Narrower Term

Teaching

Education Related Term

Computer assisted
instruction Narrower Term

Technological disasters

Disasters arising from other than natural causes and include biological, chemical, nuclear, transport and terrorist instigated disasters.

Disasters	Broader Term
Technology	Broader Term
Socio-technological disasters	Related Term

Technological hazards

A hazard of a technological origin, as opposed to a hazard of a natural origin.

Hazards	Broader Term
Technology	Broader Term
Chemical hazards	Related Term
Radiation hazards	Related Term

Technological risk

Risk	Broader Term
Technology	Broader Term

Technology

Information management	Related Term
Technological disasters	Narrower Term
Technological hazards	Narrower Term
Technological risk	Narrower Term

Teenagers

Adolescents	Use
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Telecommunications

Communications	Broader Term
Radio communications	Related Term
Telecommunication systems	Narrower Term
Mobile telephones	Narrower Term
Telephone systems	Narrower Term

Telecommunication systems

Telecommunications	Broader Term
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Telephone systems

Telecommunications	Broader Term
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Television

Media	Broader Term
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Temperature

Body temperature	Narrower Term
Temperature measurement	Narrower Term

Temperature measurement

Temperature	Broader Term
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Temporary accommodation

Accommodation provided over an extended period of days, weeks or months, for individuals or families affected by an emergency.

Billeting	Related Term
Emergency accommodation	Related Term
Emergency housing	Related Term
Temporary housing	Related Term
Shelters	Related Term

Temporary housing

Emergency housing	Related Term
Emergency shelters	Related Term
Temporary accommodation	Related Term

Tephra

Volcanic ash	Use
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Terminals, Transportation

Airport terminals	Narrower Term
Railway terminals	Narrower Term

Terminology

Medical terminology	Narrower Term
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Terrorism

The calculated use of violence or the threat of violence to attain goals that are political, religious or ideological in nature.

Bombings	Related Term
Sabotage	Related Term

Testing

Examinations	Related Term
Tests	Related Term

Tests

Examination	Use
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Therapeutics

Treatment	Broader Term
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Thermal burns			Tourism		
Burns and scalds		Broader Term	Tourists		Narrower Term
Thermal imaging			Tourists		
Infrared cameras		Related Term	Tourism		Broader Term
Thermal radiation			Toxic chemicals		
Radiation		Broader Term	Toxic materials		Use
Threat, Psychological			Toxic effect		
Hazards		Broader Term	The property of an agent to produce damage to an organism.		
Thunderstorms			Toxic shock		Related Term
Sudden electrical discharges manifested by a flash of light (lightning) and a sharp or rumbling sound (thunder).			Toxic gases		
Storms		Broader Term	Toxic materials		Broader Term
Lightning		Related Term	Poisons		Related Term
Tidal waves			Toxic liquids		
Tsunamis		Use	Toxic materials		Broader Term
Time factors			Poisons		Related Term
Factors		Broader Term	Toxic materials		
Time management			Materials or substances which are liable to cause death or serious injury to health if swallowed, inhaled or by skin contact or by direct infection through organisms.		
Management		Broader Term	Toxic chemicals		Non-preferred Term
Tolerable risks			Toxic substances		Non-preferred Term
Risks which the exposed people are expected to bear without undue concern, once all reasonable practicable reduction measures have been adopted.			Hazardous materials		Broader Term
Tornadoes			Poisons		Related Term
Violently rotating storms of small diameter; the most violent weather phenomenon. It is produced in a very severe thunder storm and appears as a funnel cloud extending from the base of a cumulonimbus to the ground.			Toxicity		Related Term
Twisters		Non-preferred Term	Toxic gases		Narrower Term
Weather hazards		Broader Term	Toxic liquids		Narrower Term
Cyclones		Related Term	Toxic shock		
Hurricanes		Related Term	Shock		Broader Term
Torres Strait Islanders			Toxic effect		Related Term
Aborigines		Related Term	Toxic shock syndrome		Narrower Term
			Toxic shock syndrome		
			Toxic shock		Broader Term
			Toxic substances		
			Toxic materials		Use
			Toxic wastes		
			Hazardous wastes		Use

Toxicity

The degree of being poisonous; the capability of a poisonous compound to produce deleterious effects on organisms such as alteration to behavioural patterns or biological productivity or death.

Toxic materials Related Term

Toxicology

(a) The science of poisons, harmful chemical substances, organic toxins, and of their detection, effects, elimination and antidotes

(b) The study of chemical substances which exert deleterious effects on living organisms, their chemistry in relation to their mode of action, antidotes, and physiological effects.

Poisons Related Term

Traffic

Transportation Broader Term

Training

Drills Related Term
 Education Related Term
 Fire drills Related Term
 Training facilities Related Term
 Training programs Related Term
 Ambulance services training Narrower Term
 Emergency medical training Narrower Term
 In-service training Narrower Term
 Training courses Narrower Term
 Training exercises Narrower Term
 Training needs analysis Narrower Term

Training courses

Education Broader Term
 Training Broader Term

Training exercises

Education Broader Term
 Exercises Broader Term

Training facilities

Education Broader Term
 Training Related Term
 Universities and colleges Related Term

Training needs analysis

Education Broader Term
 Training Broader Term

Training programs

Training Broader Term
 Education Broader Term

Trains

Railways Related Term

Trams

Transportation Broader Term

Translation

Communicating Broader Term

Transportation

Air transportation Narrower Term
 Ambulance transport Narrower Term
 Fuel transport Narrower Term
 Rail transportation Narrower Term
 Road transportation Narrower Term
 Sea transportation Narrower Term
 Traffic Narrower Term
 Trams Narrower Term

Trauma

Injury of any nature.

Post traumatic stress Related Term
 Stress, Physiology Related Term
 Traumatic stress Narrower Term

Trauma counselling

Critical incident stress
 debriefing Related Term

Trauma management

Stress management Related Term

Traumatic shock

Shock Broader Term

Traumatic stress

Trauma Broader Term
 Critical incident stress Related Term
 Post traumatic stress Related Term
 Psychological debriefing Related Term

Psychological stress

Related Term

Treatment

Therapeutics	Narrower Term
Treatment priority	Narrower Term
Treatment refusal	Narrower Term
Treatment withdrawal	Narrower Term
Waste treatment	Narrower Term

Treatment priority

Treatment	Broader Term
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Treatment refusal

Treatment	Broader Term
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Treatment withdrawal

Treatment	Broader Term
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Trees

Forestry	Related Term
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Tremor

A shaking movement of the ground associated with earthquakes or explosions.

Earthquakes	Related Term
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Trench rescue

Rescue operations	Broader Term
Trenches	Broader Term
Confined space	Related Term

Trenches

Trench rescue	Related Term
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Triage, Medicine

The process by which casualties are sorted, prioritised and distributed according to their need for first aid, resuscitation, emergency transportation and definitive care.

Casualty clearing stations	Related Term
Disaster medicine	Related Term
Emergency medicine	Related Term
First aid	Related Term
Medicine	Related Term
Patient assessment	Related Term

Tropical cyclones

Cyclones	Broader Terms
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Trucks

Motor vehicles	Broader Term
Road transportation	Broader Term

Tsunami Intensity Scale

An intensity scale providing descriptions of six levels of tsunami intensity.

Tsunamis	Related Term
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Tsunami warning systems

Forecasting	Broader Term
Tsunamis	Related Term

Tsunamis

A water wave generated by a sudden change in the sea bed resulting from an earthquake, volcanic eruption or landslide.

Tidal waves	Non-preferred Term
Natural disasters	Broader Term
Earthquake hazards	Related Term
Storm surges	Related Term
Tsunami Intensity Scale	Related Term
Tsunami warning systems	Related Term

Tunnelling

Blasts	Related Term
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Tunnels

Railway tunnels	Narrower Term
Road tunnels	Narrower Term

Twisters

Tornadoes	Use
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Typhoons

The name given to a tropical cyclone with maximum sustained winds of 64 knots or more near the centre in the western North Pacific.

Weather hazards	Broader Term
Cyclones	Related Term
Hurricanes	Related Term
Monsoons	Related Term
Natural disasters	Related Term

U

Ultraviolet radiation

Non-ionising radiation	Broader Term
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Underground railways

Railways	Broader Term
Subways	Related Term

Underground storage tanks

Storage tanks	Broader Term
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Unified Command System

A method for all agencies or individuals who have jurisdictional responsibility, or in some cases who have functional responsibilities at the incident, to contribute determination of overall objectives for the incident and selection of strategies to achieve the objectives.

Incident management	Related Term
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Unions

Industrial relations	Broader Term
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Universities

Training facilities	Related Term
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Urban areas

Cities and towns	Related Term
Urban planning	Related Term
Urban interface	Narrower Term

Urban fire detection

Fire fighting operations	Related Term
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Urban heavy rescue

Rescue operations	Broader Term
Search and rescue operations	Related Term

Urban interface

Urban rural interface	Non-preferred Term
Urban areas	Broader Term

Urban planning

Planning	Broader Term
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Urban areas Related Term

Urban rural interface

Urban interface Use

Urban search and rescue

An integrated multi-agency response, which is beyond the capability of normal rescue arrangements, to locate, provide initial medical care, and remove entrapped persons from damaged structures and other environments in a safe and expeditious manner.

Search and rescue operations Broader Term
 Rescue operations Related Term
 Search and rescue Related Term

Urbanisation

Demography Related Term

V

Vaccination

Method of preventing certain infectious diseases by conferring active immunity in a person through the introduction, by injection/ingestion/application, of certain preparations called vaccines which reinforce the resistance of the body.

Immunisation Related Term

Vandalism

Crime Related Term

Vapours

Gaseous form of a substance which is normally in the solid or liquid state at room temperature and pressure.

Dusts Related Term
 Fumes Related Term
 Gases Related Term
 Smoke Related Term

Vector control

(a) Control of insects capable of transmitting disease

(b) Measures taken to decrease the number of disease carrying organisms (vectors) and to diminish the risk of their spreading infectious disease.

Vectors Broader Term

Vectors

An insect or other organism transmitting exotic animal disease agents.

Exotic animal diseases Related Term
 Vector control Narrower Term

Vehicle rescue

Motor vehicle rescue Related Term
 Vehicles Related Term

Vehicle warning systems

Vehicles Broader Term
 Warning systems Broader Term
 Sirens Related Term

Vehicles

Vehicle rescue	Related Term
Automatic vehicle location	Narrower Term
Emergency vehicles	Narrower Term
Motor vehicles	Narrower Term
Vehicle warning systems	Narrower Term

Ventilation

Buildings	Related Term
Shafts, evacuation	Related Term

Vermin

Rodents capable of transmitting disease.

Pest control	Related Term
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Veterinary medicine

Animal diseases	Related Term
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Viaducts

Bridges	Use
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Victim identification

Disaster victim identification	Use
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Victims

Persons adversely affected by an incident.

Fatalities	Related Term
Survivors	Related Term
Casualties	Narrower Term
Disaster victims	Narrower Term
Victims of crime	Narrower Term

Victims of crime

Victims	Broader Term
Crime	Related Term

Violence

Crime	Related Term
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Volcanic ash

Fragmented rock and ash ejected by a volcanic eruption.

Tephra	Non-preferred Term
Volcanoes	Related Term
Railway terminals	Narrower Term

Volcanic eruptions

Warning systems	Broader Term
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Volcanic hazard assessment

Volcanoes	Broader Term
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Volcanoes

An opening in the crust that has allowed magma to reach the surface.

Natural disasters	Broader Term
Volcanic ash	Related Term
Volcanic hazard assessment	Narrower Term

Voluntary agencies

Non-government organisation	Use
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Voluntary organisations

Organisations	Broader Term
Associations	Related Term
Relief agencies	Related Term
Welfare services	Related Term
Welfare support	Related Term

Volunteer recruitment

Volunteers	Broader Term
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Volunteer retention

Volunteers	Broader Term
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Volunteers

Emergency service personnel	Narrower Term
Emergency services volunteers	Narrower Term
Volunteer recruitment	Narrower Term
Volunteer retention	Narrower Term
Volunteers legal status	Narrower Term

Volunteers legal status

Volunteers	Broader Term
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Vulcanology

The scientific study of volcanoes.

Vulnerability

The degree of susceptibility of the environment to a hazard.

Disaster vulnerability	Narrower Term
Vulnerability analysis	Narrower Term
Vulnerability assessment	Narrower Term
Vulnerability reduction	Narrower Term

Vulnerability analysis

Assessment of elements in the community that are subject to damage should a hazardous materials release occur.

Vulnerability	Broader Term
Vulnerability assessment	Related Term

Vulnerability assessment

Vulnerability	Broader Term
Hazard assessment	Related Term
Vulnerability analysis	Related Term

Vulnerability mapping

Mapping	Related Term
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Vulnerability reduction

Vulnerability	Broader Term
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W

War relief

Relief	Broader Term
Wars	Related Term

War victims

Wars	Related Term
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Wardens

A person who, during an emergency, assumes control over a building and its occupants and is the prime contact with the appropriate emergency service.

Fire wardens	Non-preferred Term
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Warfare

Invasions	Related Term
Aerial bombing	Narrower Term
Biological warfare	Narrower Term
Chemical warfare	Narrower Term
Nuclear warfare	Narrower Term

Warning systems

Alarm systems	Narrower Term
Cyclone warning systems	Narrower Term
Dam failure warning systems	Narrower Term
Early warning systems	Narrower Term
Earthquake warning systems	Narrower Term
Flood warning systems	Narrower Term
Flood warnings	Narrower Term
Storm warnings	Narrower Term
Vehicle warning systems	Narrower Term
Volcanic eruptions	Narrower Term

Warnings

Dissemination of messages signalling imminent hazard which may include advice on protective measures.

Alarms	Related Term
Alerts	Related Term
Disaster Warnings	Related Term
Flood Warnings	Narrower Term
Storm warnings	Narrower Term

Wars

War relief	Related Term
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War victims	Related Term
Warships	
Ships	Broader Term
Waste disposal	
Refuse disposal	Non-preferred Term
Wastes	Broader Term
Waste management	Related Term
Waste products	Related Term
Chemical industry waste disposal	Narrower Term
Radioactive waste disposal	Narrower Term
Waste disposal sites	
Wastes	Broader Term
Landfill	Related Term
Radioactive waste sites	Narrower Term
Waste management	
The total process of waste collection, from its point of generation through to its transportation, treatment, and final acceptable disposal.	
Wastes	Broader Term
Waste disposal	Related Term
Waste treatment	Related Term
Waste products	
Waste disposal	Related Term
Waste treatment	
Treatment	Broader Term
Waste management	Related Term
Waste water	
Water	Related Term
Wastes	
Refuse	Non-preferred Term
Sewage	Related Term
Biological hazardous wastes	Narrower Term
Medical wastes	Narrower Term
Radioactive wastes	Narrower Term
Toxic wastes	Narrower Term
Waste disposal	Narrower Term
Waste disposal sites	Narrower Term
Waste management	Narrower Term

Water	
Waste water	Related Term
Water bombing	Related Term
Water conservation	Related Term
Water curtains	Related Term
Water damage	Related Term
Water pollution	Related Term
Water quality	Related Term
Water rescue	Related Term
Water storage	Related Term
Water supply	Related Term
Drinking water	Narrower Term
Water bombing	
Dropping of large quantities of water from the air to assist in fire control.	
Bombing, water	Non-preferred Term
Aerial bombing	Related Term
Aerial fire fighting	Related Term
Water	Related Term
Water conservation	
Water	Related Term
Water curtains	
Drenchers	Related Term
Water	Related Term
Water damage	
Flood damage	Related Term
Water	Related Term
Damage	Broader Term
Water pollution	
Pollution	Broader Term
Environmental impact	Related Term
Soil pollution	Related Term
Water	Related Term
Water quality	
Algae	Related Term
Water	Related Term
Water rescue	
Rescue operations	Broader Term
Drowning	Related Term
Water	Related Term

Water storage

Storage	Broader Term
Water	Related Term

Water supply

Water	Related Term
Wells	Related Term

Water table

In an aquifer (a layer of rock which holds water or allows water to percolate through it), the upper limit of the portion of ground saturated with water.

Hydrology	Related Term
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Water tanks

Containers capable of storing a large volume of water.

Tanks	Related Term
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Watershed

All land within the confines of a drainage divide.

Weapons

Chemical weapons	Narrower Term
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Weather

Fire weather	Related Term
Meteorological satellites	Related Term
Weather alerts	Related Term
Weather control	Related Term
Weather hazards	Related Term
Weather satellites	Related Term

Weather alerts

A warning broadcast on radio or television of an approaching storm or gale, or of an impending cold change.

Alerts	Broader Term
Weather	Related Term

Weather control

Weather	Related Term
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Weather forecasting

Forecasts	Broader Term
Weather forecasting	Related Term
Long range weather forecasts	Narrower Term

Weather hazards

Natural hazards	Broader Term
Weather	Related Term
Cyclones	Narrower Term
Fog	Narrower Term
Frost	Narrower Term
Hurricanes	Narrower Term
Lightning	Narrower Term
Rain and rainfall	Narrower Term
Storms	Narrower Term
Tornadoes	Narrower Term
Typhoons	Narrower Term

Weather satellites

Weather	Broader Term
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Weirs

Barrages	Related Term
Dams	Related Term
Reservoirs	Related Term

Welfare

The provision of immediate and continuing care of emergency affected persons who may be threatened, distressed, disadvantaged, homeless or evacuated; and, the maintenance of health, well-being and prosperity of such persons with all available community resources until their rehabilitation is achieved.

Disaster recovery	Related Term
Welfare services	Related Term
Welfare support	Related Term

Welfare services

Emergency services	Broader Term
Non-profit organisations	Related Term
Public welfare	Related Term
Voluntary organisations	Related Term
Welfare	Related Term

Welfare support

Voluntary organisations	Related Term
Welfare	Related Term
Disaster welfare services	Narrower Term
Personal support services	Narrower Term

Wells			
Water supply	Related Term		
Wetland management			
Wetlands	Broader Term		
Wetlands			
Wetland management	Narrower Term		
Wharves			
Piers	Related Term		
Ports	Related Term		
Wildfire control			
Wildfires	Broader Term		
Wildfire fighters			
Bush fire fighters	Use		
Wildfires			
Unplanned fire in vegetation.			
Fires	Broader Term		
Bush fires	Related Term		
Grass fires	Narrower Term		
Wildfire control	Narrower Term		
Wildlife			
Animals	Use		
Wind damage			
Damage	Broader Term		
Cyclone damage	Related Term		
Winds	Related Term		
Wind force			
A number on a Beaufort scale corresponding to the effects produced by winds within a range of speeds.			
Beaufort scale	Related Term		
Winds	Related Term		
Wind pressure			
The total force exerted upon a surface by wind.			
Winds	Related Term		
Windbreaks			
A barrier used to decrease the wind spread.			
Wind storms	Related Term		
Winds			
Gusts	Related Term		
Wind damage	Related Term		
Wind force	Related Term		
Wind pressure	Related Term		
Windbreaks	Related Term		
Windstorms	Related Term		
Gales	Narrower Term		
Windstorms			
Storms	Broader Term		
Winds	Related Term		
Witnesses			
Evidence, expert	Related Term		
Workers			
Emergency workers	Related Term		
Wounds and injuries			
Harm of any kind done or sustained.			
Injuries	Broader term		
First aid	Related Term		
Injury prevention	Related Term		
Accidents, wounds and injuries	Narrower Term		
Blast injuries	Narrower Term		
Burns and scalds	Narrower Term		
Crush injuries	Narrower Term		
Diving injuries	Narrower Term		
Spinal cord injuries	Narrower Term		

Z

Zonation

The division of an area, country, or region into zones according to its disaster incidence rate or intensity

Earthquake hazard analysis Related Term

Zone management

Zones Broader Term
Control area Related Term

Zones

The geographical area comprising two or more regions.

Land use zoning Related Term
Coastal zone management Narrower Term
Control areas Narrower Term
Emergency planning zones Narrower Term
Zone management Narrower Term

Zoning

Land use zoning Broader Term

Zoonoses

Diseases transferred from animals to humans.

Diseases Broader Term
Animal diseases Related Term
Exotic animal diseases Related Term
Quarantine Related Term

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