



# PRE-EMERGENCY PLANNING

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# Pre-Emergency Planning

What is pre-emergency planning?

- ▣ Planning for the unfortunate event
- ▣ What does it involve?
  - Preparation of a plan
  - Training staff
  - Conducting drills

## **NOTICE IN CASE OF FIRE IF YOU DISCOVER A FIRE**

- 1. Immediately notify your Fire Marshal or his deputy.**
- 2. With the aid of a second person ATTACK the fire with a fire extinguisher or hose reel. DO NOT PLACE YOURSELF IN DANGER THE FIRE MARSHAL AND STAFF APPOINTED WILL: 1. Ensure that the fire brigade is called. FIRE BRIGADE No..... NB: It is imperative that the fire brigade is called as soon as possible. In the absence of the Fire Marshal or deputy, any staff members should make the call.**
- 3. Start the Fire Alarm Procedure.**
- 4. Direct staff and visitors to available exits if necessary. ALL STAFF If you are told to leave the building - go quickly using the main exit. If this route is blocked, go out using the BLUE route into Market Street. Do not use the lift. When you are out of the building assemble in the open area opposite the main entrance in Market Street. DO NOT RE-ENTER THE BUILDING FOR ANY REASON.\* YOUR FIRE MARSHALS ARE:**
- 5. Fire Marshal: Mr Len Sparks (Extension 203)  
Deputy: Mr George Jones Fire Brigade:**





































# Pre-Emergency Planning

Def: NFPA 1620: Standard for Pre-Incident Planning

Written document resulting from the **gathering** of general and detailed **data** to be **used** by **responding personnel** for **determining** the **resources** and **actions** necessary to mitigate **anticipated emergencies** at a **specific facility**.



# Pre-Emergency Planning

IFSTA – International Fire Service Training Association

**Def: Advance planning of fire-fighting operations at a particular location, taking in to account all factors that will influence fire-fighting operations.**

# Pre-Emergency Planning

Fire Chief Alan V Burnacini - Def

**Written analysis of a particular building in terms of size, hazards and build-in protection.**



# Objectives

- ❑ Collect information to be integrated in a detailed Incident command system.
- ❑ Direct attention to features that will affect tactical decisions.
- ❑ To develop a flexible plan of attack.
- ❑ To get operations of to a predicable start.
- ❑ To take the guess work out of the response.
- ❑ Will allow for immediate and predictable actions to provide Incident Commander time to evaluate and develop a comprehensive plan.
- ❑ Plan for the most effective use of resources.
- ❑ Primary planning is a management function that analyses the hazards and applies resources needed based on the probability of occurrence.
- ❑ Identify hazards and response limitations.
- ❑ Must be useful information for responding personnel.
- ❑ Save lives, protect property & reduce losses.

# Fire Risk Assessment

- Should consider:
  - ▣ All risks associated
  - ▣ Risks should be evaluated individually and collectively
  - ▣ Fuel load
  - ▣ Chemical & Physical properties
  - ▣ Special precautions of fuels (oxidizers)
  - ▣ Ignition sources
  - ▣ Means of fire spread
  - ▣ Structural features
  - ▣ Fixed fire protection



# Fire Risk Assessment

- Should consider:
  - ▣ Resources available
  - ▣ Resources required (water, foam, PPE etc.)
  - ▣ Interaction between systems
  - ▣ User responsibilities
  - ▣ Exposures
  - ▣ Environmental considerations
  - ▣ Effects to and from neighbours
  - ▣ Housekeeping
  - ▣ Location and response time of fire department
  - ▣ Staff training
  - ▣ Means of escape
  - ▣ Maintenance & testing





















UNAUTHORIZED ENTRY PROHIBITED.  
RESPONSIBLE PERSON: SAFETY OFFICER











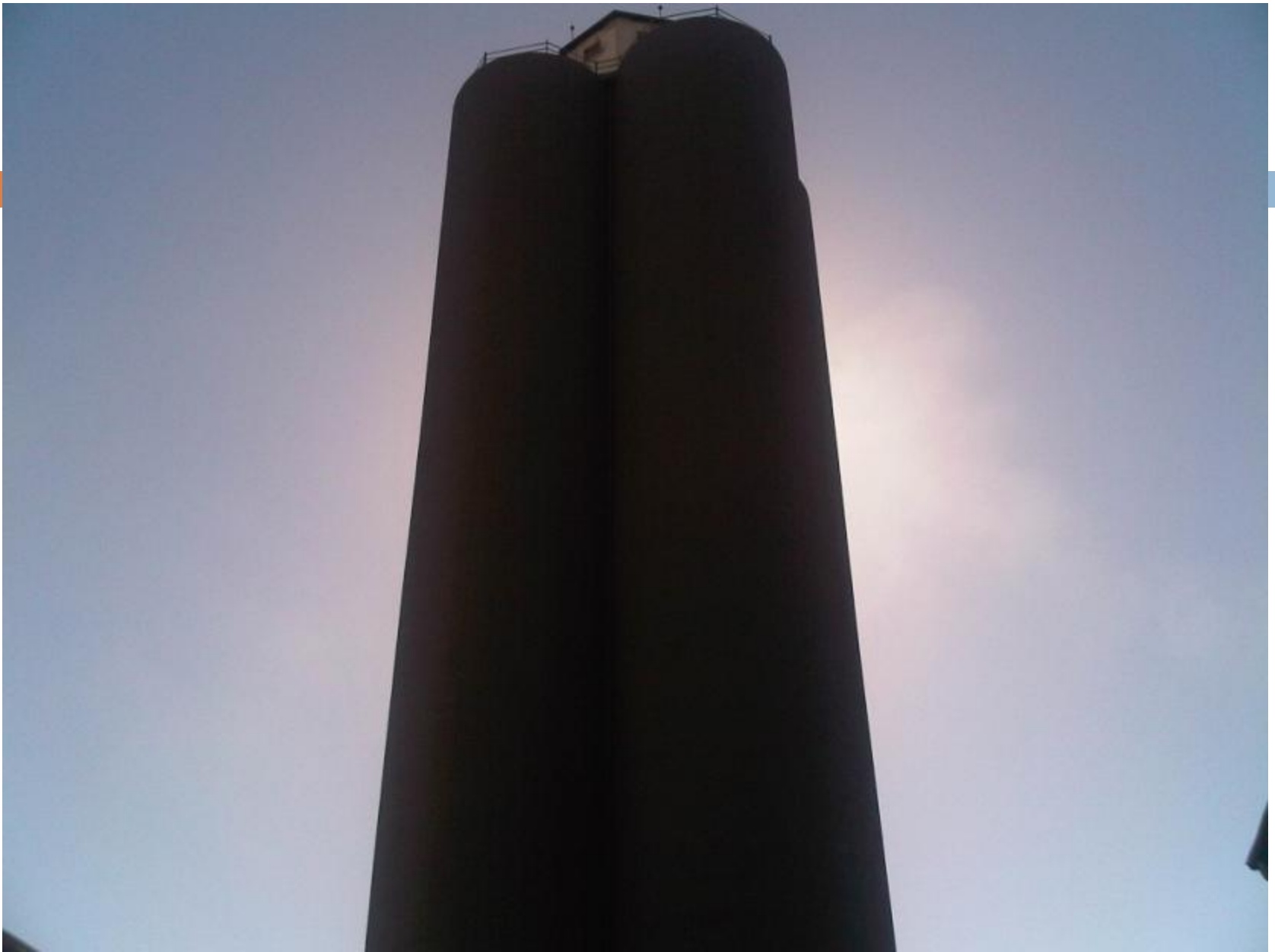






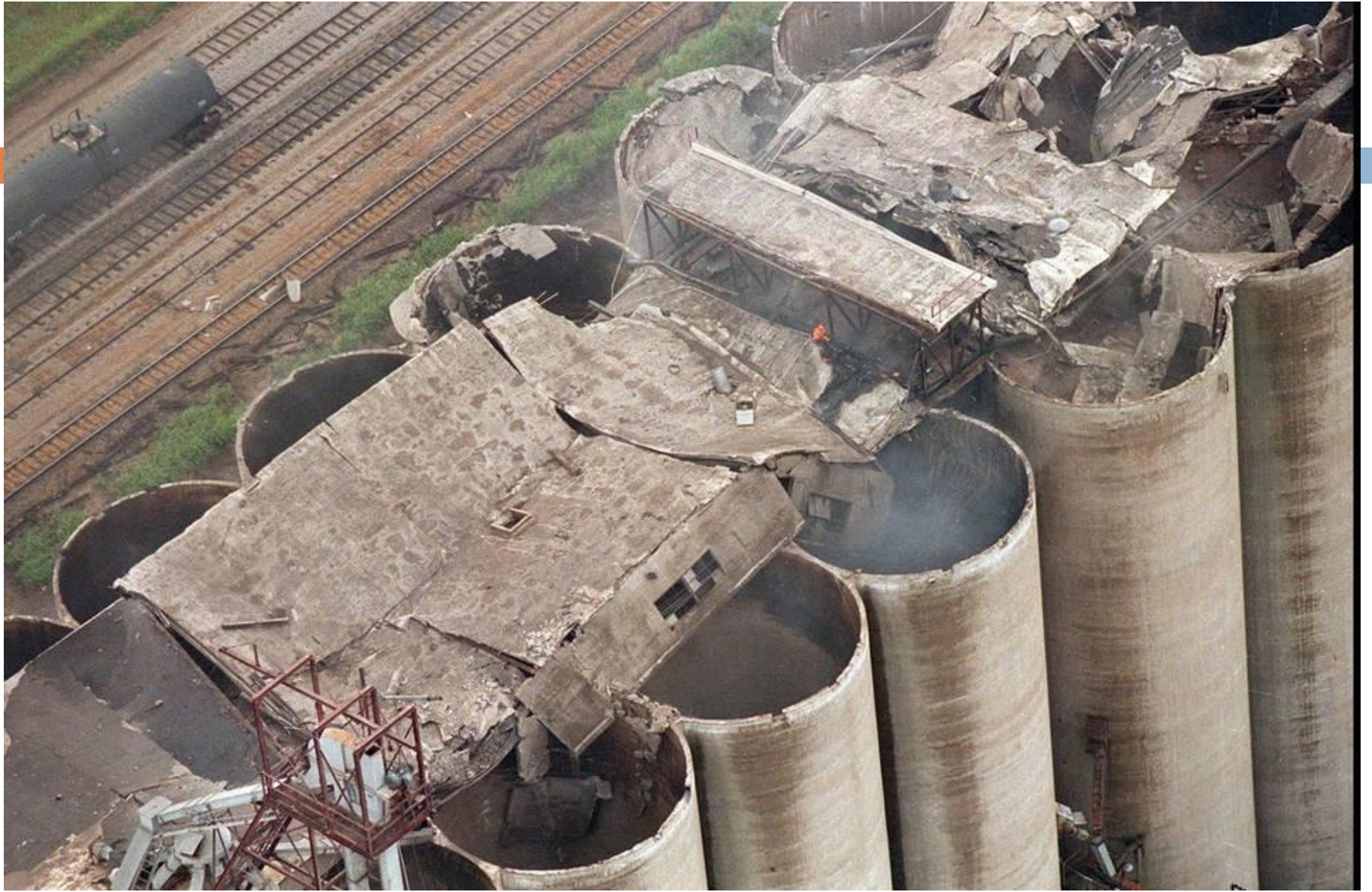
























# Types of Risk Assessments

Ref.	Fire risks identified	Existing preventative measures	Priority	Recommendations	Actions taken
1.	Jack Pod				
1.1	Hose reel 54 is used for washing purposes.	Some dedicated points provided.	M	Prohibit the use of fire hose reels for washing purposes. Provide dedicated washing points. Make the hose up correctly through the run out guide.	
1.2	The current provision of emergency lights could not be assessed at the time of this assessment.	It was reported that there are emergency lights provided, linked to a battery backup and the generator.	M	These to be tested. Tests to include illumination levels and duration of the emergency lights. The lights to provide an illumination level of 0.3lux within 15 seconds.	



# Types of Risk Assessments



Element	Finding	Existing controls	Corrective recommendation	Estimated cost	Priority (H,M,L)	Probability rating	Severity rating without controls	Severity rating with existing controls	Risk Value
Transformer 1									
1.1 Fire	<p>There is a 1 600kVA transformer.</p> <p>The transformer has been placed in a bunded room with a concrete roof.</p> <p>The ventilation system has been provided with a fire damper and the cable openings have been fire stopped.</p> <p>The fire separation is however compromised as there are some unprotected openings and a steel column that supports part of the plant roof.</p> <p>This is currently the only onsite transformer.</p> <p>The transformer is fitted with any fixed fire detection systems. The detection panel in security was</p>	<p>The transformer has been placed in a bunded room with a concrete roof.</p> <p>The ventilation system has been provided with a fire damper and the cable openings have been fire stopped.</p> <p>The transformer is provided with over temperature controls to regulate and control high temperatures.</p> <p>The transformer is provided with "Bucholtz relay", to prevent over pressurization.</p> <p>In addition the transformer is fitted with protective breakers on either side of the transformers. These include over current and inrush protection.</p>	<p>All opening communicating with the substation should have at least a 2 hour fire resistance. This must be extended to include the steel Column within the transformer room.</p> <p>Continue with preventative maintenance and monitoring.</p> <p>Reinstate the fire detection system as soon as possible.</p> <p>Prevent the storage of combustibles in close proximity to the entrance to the room.</p> <p>Ensure that the contingency plan is reviewed at intervals not exceeding once per annum. Ensure the availability of the correct transformer as stated by the plan.</p>	R 10 000	M	5	9	8	40

Consequence Types						
Financial Loss	Health and Safety	Natural Environment	Social / Cultural	Community / Govt.	Legal	Severity Score
			Heritage	Reputation / Media		
More than R 100 M	Multiple fatalities, permanent occupational disability, or disease.	Very significant impact on highly value species, habitat or eco system.	Irreparable damage to highly valued items of great cultural significance or complete breakdown of social order.	Prolonged international condemnation.	Potential jail terms for executives and or very high fines for company. Prolonged, multiple litigation.	10
R 50 M - R 100 M	Single fatality, occupational injury, or disease.	Significant impact on highly valued species, habitat, or ecosystem.	Irreparable damage to highly valued items of cultural significance or breakdown of social order.	International multi-NGO and media condemnation.	Very significant fines and prosecutions.	9
R 1 M - R10 M	Injury: Medical treatment and/or hospitalisation and more than 14 days lost.	Long-term environmental impairment of ecosystem function.	Widespread social impacts. Irreparable damage to highly valued items.	Moderate public or media outcry (international coverage).	Significant prosecution and fines.	7
R500 000 - R 1 M	Injury: Medical treatment and/or hospitalisation and less than 14 days lost.	Serious medium term environmental effects.	Significant damage to significantly valuable items.	Significant adverse national media / public / NGO attention.	Very serious litigation, including class actions.	6
R 100 000 - R 500 000	Injury: Medical treatment and less than 14 days lost.	Medium term environmental effects.	On-going serious social issues. Significant damage to structures / items of cultural significance.	Adverse national media / public / NGO attention.	Major breach of regulation. Major litigation with prosecution and/or moderate fine possible.	5
R 50 000 - R 100 000	Injury: Medical treatment with no days lost.	Moderate effects affecting ecosystem function.	Ongoing social issues. Permanent damage to items of cultural significance.	National media / public / NGO attention. Criticism by NGOs.	Serious breach of regulation with investigation or report to authority.	4
R 10 000 - R 50 000	No or only minor personal injury; First aid needed but no days lost.	Short-term effects but not affecting ecosystem function.	Moderate medium-term social impacts on local population. Partly repairable.	Attention from media and /or heightened concern by local community.	Moderate breach of regulation with investigation or report to authority.	3
Up to R 10 000	No or Minor Personal Injury: no treatment required.	Minor effects on biological or physical environment.	Minor medium-term social impacts on local population. Mostly repairable.	Minor, adverse local public or media attention and complaints.	Minor legal issues, non-compliances, and breaches of regulation	2
<R 1 000	No medical treatment required.	Limited damage to minimal area of low significance.	Low-level repairable damage to commonplace structures.	Public concern restricted to local complaints.	Low-level legal issue.	1



# Risk Assessments

What should a Risk Assessment achieve?

- Ensure that all hazards are identified
- Ensure that action plans are developed to reduce the risk
- Ensure that plans are developed to manage the risk
- Evaluate existing action plans
- Ensure that action plans are developed or updated
- Improve staff awareness
- Make it a safer site



# When should RA be conducted?













# Information to be Included

- Address/location
- Available water for fire fighting
- Fixed fire detection and suppression systems
- User responsibilities when the system/s are activated
- Predicted behavior
- Strategy
- Problems/special requirements
- Hazards to personnel
- Site plan



# Information to be Included

- ❑ Floor plan
- ❑ Utilities
- ❑ Location of shut-off valves
- ❑ Environmental factors
- ❑ Exposures
- ❑ Resources available
- ❑ Resources required
- ❑ Number of staff
- ❑ Fire department contact details
- ❑ Specialist contact details

# Steps to develop a Plan

- ❑ Collecting information
- ❑ Analyzing information
- ❑ Developing a plan
- ❑ Considering all factors, “what if”?
- ❑ Testing and review
- ❑ Communication/Drills

# Additional Considerations

- ❑ Must be readily available
- ❑ Regular drills and reviews
- ❑ Comprehensive but easy to follow
- ❑ Salvage and recovery plan
- ❑ Post loss assessment
- ❑ Business contingency plan (BCP)





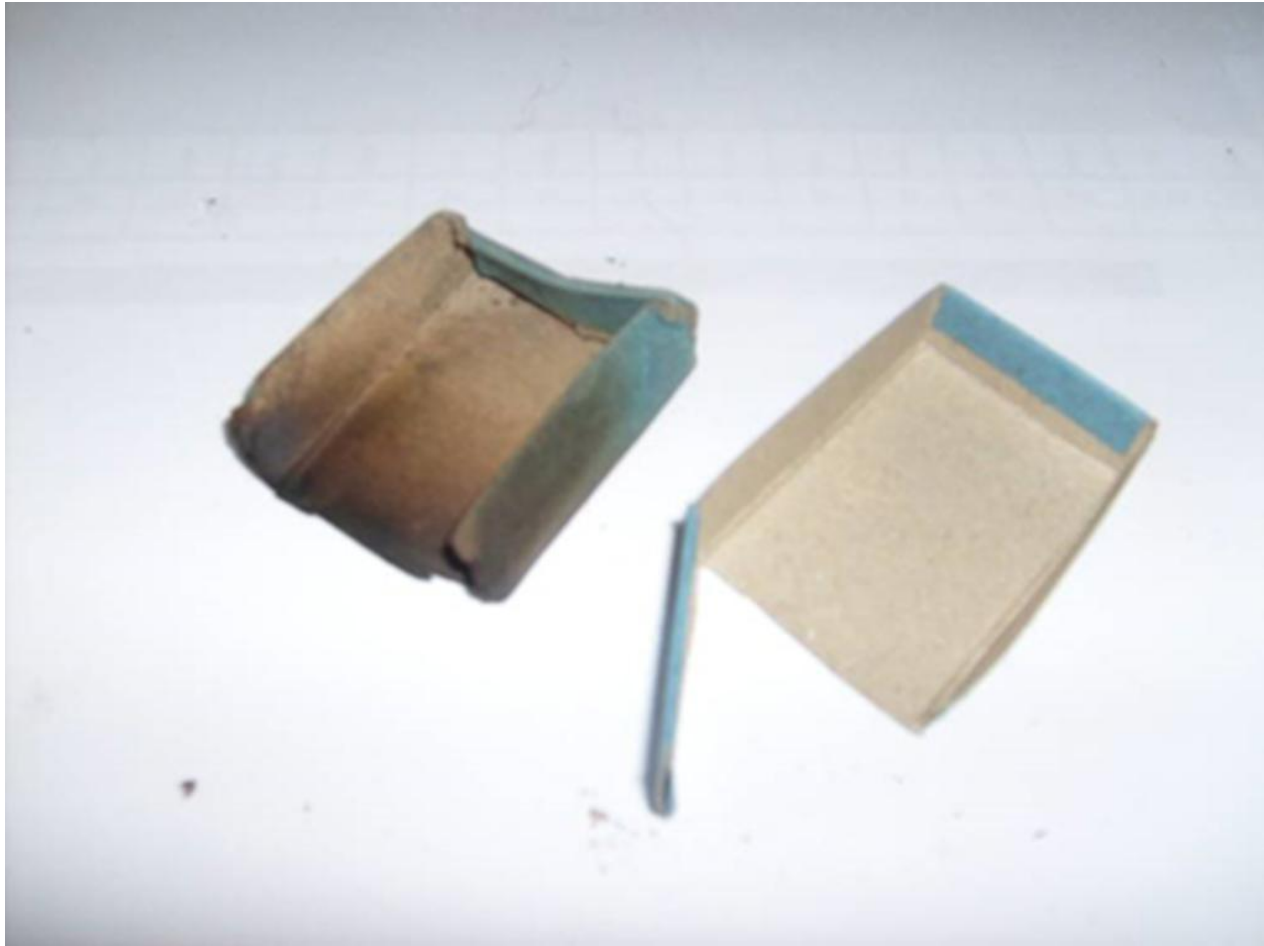
















# Purpose

- Assessment tool to measure the level of preparedness.
- Ensure that all hazards are identified.
- Ensure that all hazards adequately protected.
- Reducing overall risk.
- Ensure in the event of a fire it will be controlled.
- Current plans are reviewed and updated.
- Reduces the response time.
- Improves the effectiveness of a response in the event of a fire.
- Improves general awareness.
- Save lives, protect property & reduce losses.

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## Cooling acetylene cylinders heated by fire

Cool with copious quantities of water for one hour – water spray and from protected position

Cool again for 30 min

Cylinder surface still steaming

Yes

No

Cool again for 30 min

Cylinder surface remains wet?

No

Cylinder surface remains cold for 1 hour

No

Wait another 30 min

Is entire cylinder surface still cold?

No

Yes

Remove cylinder carefully and submerge in water for twelve hours. Notify gas supplier.

# Emergency Planning Manual

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1. Overview
2. Mitigation
3. Preparedness
4. Response
5. Recovery
6. Post Incident Review
7. Responsibilities
8. Contact List
9. Fire Safety Training Programme
10. Fire Safety Training Record
11. Fire Safety Management Structure

# Emergency Planning Manual

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FIRES IN GRAIN SILOS

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GRAIN SILOS DUST EXPLOSIONS

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GRAIN SILOS EVACUATION AND RESCUE

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BUNKERS

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CONVEYING SYSTEMS AND MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT

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STORES

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OFFICES AND COMMUNAL AREAS, MEETING HALLS, CANTEENS, AND KITCHENS

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WORKSHOPS

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ELECTRICAL TRANSFORMERS, GENERATORS AND RELATED ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT

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GRAIN DRYING EQUIPMENT

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LPG STORAGE FACILITIES

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SERVICE STATIONS AND FLAMMABLE LIQUID STORAGE

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COAL BUNKERS FACILITY

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VEHICLES

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VEGETATION



# Conclusion

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- Gather info
- Develop strategies
- Test strategies
- Apply tactics
- Communicate
- Test & review

# Conclusion

- Well developed emergency plans:

- Be divided into 3-timelines

- Before and emergency
    - During an emergency
    - After an emergency

- Pre-emergency

- Ensure all hazards have been identified
    - Ensure all hazards are being managed
    - Adequate means of protection has been provided
    - Guide to manage risks
    - Fires/emergencies will be reduced and prevented
    - Management is aware of the strategy and limitations
    - Emergency responders are aware of their actions required and other interactions required

- During and emergency

- Comprehensive plans and procedures to guide the management and staff

- After an emergency

- Actions required, salvage & recovery, who to inform, post loss assessments
    - Details of the Business Recovery Plan (BCP)

# Questions

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