



COMMUNITY CAPABILITY ASSESSMENT  
**PHASE 2 QUESTIONNAIRE**

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**FIRE DEPARTMENT**

*NOTE: This part is to be completed by all fire department agencies that would likely respond in the event of a hazardous materials incident in the community.*

**A. RESPONSE PLANNING**

1. Have facilities within your jurisdiction that have the potential for hazmat releases been identified? (1) Y N NA

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

2. Have hazardous materials transport companies and the shipping routes they use been identified? (1) Y N NA

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

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3. Does the agency have a hazmat contingency plan? (2, 3) Y N NA
- a. If yes, is it contained within a single document? Title:
- b. If not contained within a single document, list all separate titles:
- c. Is there a process in place for plan review and updating? Y N NA  
If so, how often?  Annually  Semiannually  As needed  Other:
- d. What is the latest revision date?
- e. Has the person(s) with the authority to implement the plan been identified? Y N NA  
If yes, title:

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

4. Has the agency conducted hazmat exercises with any of the additional resources listed below? (8, 9)

- a. Hospitals (specify): Y N NA
- b. State Hazmat Teams (specify): Y N NA
- c. Federal Agencies (specify): Y N NA
- d. Public (specify): Y N NA
- e. State Agencies (specify): Y N NA
- f. Public Works (specify): Y N NA
- g. Emergency Medical (specify): Y N NA
- h. Rail Roads (specify): Y N NA
- i. Schools (specify): Y N NA
- j. Law Enforcement (specify): Y N NA
- k. Emergency Management (specify): Y N NA
- l. Industry (specify): Y N NA
- m. Emergency Dispatch (specify): Y N NA
- n. Fire Service (specify): Y N NA
- o. Elected Officials (specify): Y N NA
- p. Transportation (specify): Y N NA
- q. Utilities (specify): Y N NA
- r. Other (specify): Y N NA

Documented where?

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5. Were any deficiencies identified? (9) Y N NA
- a. If yes, have the identified deficiencies been corrected? Y N NA
- b. If not, describe below and identify resources needed:

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6. Does the agency have a policy to conduct a de-briefing following incidents or exercises? (2, 9) Y N NA

Documented where?

7. Does this policy include distribution of after-action reports to all participants? (2, 9) Y N NA

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

8. Does the agency have a hazmat training program? (8, 9) Y N NA
- a. If yes, to what level?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> HAZWOPER   | <input type="checkbox"/> Awareness  | <input type="checkbox"/> Operations       | <input type="checkbox"/> Technician |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Specialist | <input type="checkbox"/> Hazmat ICS | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): |                                     |

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

9. Does the agency train for hazmat emergencies with other organizations in your community? (Indicate below) (8) Y N NA
- a. If yes, specify:

Documented Where?

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Discussion Notes:

10. Have any components of the emergency plan been exercised? (9) Y N NA  
a. If yes, specify:

Documented Where?

11. Does the agency have the appropriate resources to respond to a hazmat incident that falls within their department mission statement? (6, 8) Y N NA

a. If not, list additional needs below:

Equipment:

Supplies:

Training:

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

12. Has the agency assessed which additional resources may be required to control and mitigate a hazmat incident? (6)
- a. Additional Fire: Y N NA
- b. Law Enforcement: Y N NA
- c. Medical Facilities: Y N NA
- d. Public Works: Y N NA
- e. Regional Hazmat Team: Y N NA

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f. Utilities: Y N NA

g. Other (specify): Y N NA

13. Has the agency conducted pre-planning activities for hazmat incidents with these additional resources? (2, 6, 8) Y N NA

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

14. Has the agency established criteria for activating these additional resources? (2, 4) Y N NA

a. Who has activation authority? Title:

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

15. Has the agency determined what information needs to be exchanged between the agency and the additional resources to assure a seamless integration or transition? (e.g., situation reports, unified command, protocols for prolonged responses, response routes and times, etc.) (2, 4) Y N NA

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

16. Have plans been developed for crowd control at the site of a hazmat incident? (7) Y N NA

a. If yes, which agency has the lead roll?

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

**B. COMMUNICATION AND DECISION MAKING**

17. Does the plan identify who on site has the responsibility and authority for determining: (2, 4, 5, 6, 7) Y N NA

a. The need for additional resources? Y N NA

Title:

b. Evacuation of the immediate area is necessary? Y N NA

Title:

c. The need to expand the area or extend the period of evacuation? Y N NA

Title:

d. Whether to evacuate or shelter in place? Y N NA

Title:

e. The all-clear is to be declared? Y N NA

Title:

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

18. Are all other resource agencies aware of who has the authority to make the above decisions and are they in agreement? (2, 3, 7) Y N NA

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

19. Is there a procedure in place to transition from the response to the recovery phase? (2) Y N NA

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

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20. Does the agency rely on the 9-1-1 center or another dispatch service to relay information, requests for additional resources, or to make contacts with decision makers and notify medical providers? (2, 4, 8) Y N NA

a. If no, specify other means:

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

21. Does the agency know who has the authority to shut down the following local services: (3)

a. Water Treatment? Y N NA

Title:

b. Sewage Treatment? Y N NA

Title:

c. Electric? Y N NA

Title:

d. Road Closures? Y N NA

Title:

e. Rail Roads? Y N NA

Title:

f. Airports? Y N NA

Title:

g. Telephone? Y N NA

Title:

h. Natural Gas? Y N NA

Title:

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

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22. Does the agency use a unified command system during a hazmat response? (2, 8) Y N NA

a. If yes, is the agency Incident Command System compliant with current NIMS requirements? Y N NA

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

23. Does the plan identify the use of an Emergency Operations Center (EOC)? (2, 4, 6) Y N NA

Documented where?

24. Does the plan have criteria for activating the EOC during an incident? (2, 4, 6) Y N NA

Documented where?

25. Does the EOC plan identify staffing levels? (2, 4, 6) Y N NA

Documented where?

26. Is there 24/7 access to the EOC facility for EOC staff? (2, 4, 6) Y N NA

Documented where?

27. Are there communication links in place between individual response agencies and the EOC? (2, 4, 6) Y N NA

Documented where?

28. Has the agency conducted an exercise or an actual event with other response agencies and the EOC? (4, 6, 8, 9) Y N NA

a. If yes, when was the most recent exercise or actual event?

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

### **C. NOTIFICATION**

29. Does the plan contain procedures for disseminating information to the public? (2, 3, 4, 6) Y N NA

a. If so, who has authorization/approval responsibility?

Name/Title:



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- b. Is there a process in place for approval of press releases to the media? Y N NA
- c. Does the agency's media protocol include utilizing a Joint Information Center? Y N NA

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

30. Does the plan include specific information on the methods to be used for notification of the public regarding: (2, 4, 5, 7)

- a. Sheltering-In-Place? Y N NA
- b. Evacuation? Y N NA

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

31. Does the agency have a media packet with information on evacuation, shelter in place and other emergency information that is ready for copying and distribution during an emergency? (2, 7) Y N NA

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

32. Has the agency identified who has the responsibility to notify the public when a decision to evacuate or shelter in place has been made? (2, 4, 7) Y N NA

If yes, agency:

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

33. Has the agency identified the critical facilities in your jurisdiction that would be affected should a release occur that could impact their operations? (e.g.; fire stations, police stations, critical utilities, etc.) (1, 5) Y N NA

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Documented where?

34. Have critical facilities in your jurisdiction been informed of the hazards present should a release occur that could impact their operations? (2, 7) Y N NA

Documented where?

35. Are procedures in place for notifying critical facilities that a release has occurred? (2, 4) Y N NA

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

36. Has pre-planning been done with those critical facilities? (1, 2, 5, 8) Y N NA

Documented where?

37. Do all notification policies, procedures and materials include consideration of special populations (non-English speaking, seasonal occupancy, transient populations, blind, deaf or other handicapped)? (4, 7) Y N NA

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

### **D. PROTECTIVE ACTIONS (EVACUATION / SHELTER-IN-PLACE / DECONTAMINATION)**

38. Has the agency identified who has the authority to order shelter-in-place and evacuation in your jurisdiction? (3, 7) Y N NA

a. If yes, who has this authority? Title:

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

39. Have special needs facilities, (e.g. hospitals, schools, day care centers, nursing homes, etc.), been identified for evacuation / shelter-in-place decisions or activities? (1, 5, 7) Y N NA

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- a. If yes, is a list maintained? Y N NA
- b. How often is the list reviewed and updated?

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

40. Have special needs facilities in identified areas of concern received training in shelter-in-place and evacuation activities? (7, 8, 9) Y N NA

- a. Is there a procedure for providing refresher training? Y N NA

Documented where?

41. Have special needs facilities within identified areas of concern developed plans for shelter-in-place or evacuation? (2, 7) Y N NA

Documented where?

42. Has the agency developed a program to educate the public about sheltering-in-place and evacuation? (2, 7, 8) Y N NA

- a. If yes, has this plan been implemented? Y N NA

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

43. Has the agency developed criteria and procedures for evacuation of the immediate area around a hazmat incident? (3, 5, 7) Y N NA

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

44. Have emergency shelters been identified? (6, 7) Y N NA

- a. Are there procedures in place for opening and staffing emergency shelters? Y N NA

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

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45. Has the agency discussed hazmat pre-planning activities with potential emergency medical transport agencies? (1, 2, 7, 8) Y N NA

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

46. Has the agency identified which medical facilities will receive injured or contaminated persons? (2, 6, 8) Y N NA

Documented where?

- a. Do these medical facilities have the capability to decontaminate and treat chemical exposures? Y N NA

Documented where?

- b. Do these medical facilities have the capability to treat the potential number of exposures from the hazmat facilities in your jurisdiction? Y N NA

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

47. Has your agency developed a mass casualty plan to deal with large numbers of contaminated and / or injured people? (2, 6, 8) Y N NA

Documented where?

- a. If yes, does the plan include training for personnel who may handle contaminated victims? Y N NA

- b. Have these personnel been issued appropriate personal protective equipment and been trained on its use? Y N NA

- c. Is there a process in place for refresher training? Y N NA

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

48. Does the plan include a process for monitoring potential contamination of the public? (2, 5) Y N NA

Documented where?

49. Are there procedures in place to decontaminate the public? (2) Y N NA

Documented where?

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50. Are those agencies / organizations being relied on for decontamination aware of their potential role in a hazmat incident? (6) Y N NA

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

### **E. MUTUAL AID, CONTRACTS, AND MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

51. Are there facilities whose off site consequences have the potential to affect neighboring jurisdictions? (1, 5) Y N NA

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

52. Does the agency have mutual aid agreements with other agencies regarding hazmat incidents? (2, 3, 6, 8, 9) Y N NA

- a. Are mutual aid agreements current and signed by all responsible parties? Y N NA

Documented where?

- b. Are written procedures in place for the activation of hazmat mutual aid agreements? Y N NA

Documented where?

- c. Is there a list of resources available through hazmat mutual aid agreements? Y N NA

Documented where?

- d. Do all parties to the hazmat mutual aid agreements train together? Y N NA

- e. Do all parties to the hazmat mutual aid agreements exercise together? Y N NA

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

53. Does the agency have any Contracts or Memorandums of Understanding (MOU) with any other organizations to provide services during a response to a hazmat incident? (2, 3, 6, 8, 9) Y N NA

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- a. Are contracts and/or MOU's current and signed by all responsible parties? Y N NA

Documented where?

- b. Are written procedures in place for the activation of hazmat contracts and/or MOU's? Y N NA

Documented where?

- c. Is there a list of resources available through hazmat contracts and/or MOU's? Y N NA

Documented where?

- d. Have any parties to the hazmat contracts and/or MOU's train together? Y N NA  
e. Have any parties to the hazmat contracts and/or MOU's exercise together? Y N NA

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

### **F. RECOVERY / RE-ENTRY**

54. Is there a procedure in place for notifying on-site personnel that the site is available for re-entry? (2, 3, 7, 8) Y N NA

If yes, does this procedure include:

- a. Check In / Check Out? Y N NA  
b. Safety / Health? Y N NA  
c. Is training provided for these procedures? Y N NA

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

- 55 .Is there a procedure in place for notifying the general public that a site is available for re-entry? (2, 3, 4) Y N NA

Documented where?

Discussion Notes:

**G: ENVIRONMENTAL**

56. Does the plan include procedures for notifying environmental regulatory agencies? (2, 4) Y N NA

Documented where?

57. Have environmental specialists participated in planning activities? (2) Y N NA  
a. Specify:

58. Do plans include participation of environmental specialists during incident management? (6) Y N NA

Documented where?

Discussion Notes: