

**CITY OF SOUTH PORTLAND
ALL HAZARDS EMERGENCY PLAN**

**APPENDIX 1
DEFINITIONS AND ACRONYMS**

DEFINITIONS

Activated	The EOC or other facility becomes activated when the first person arrives and begins the EOC activation process.
Operational	The EOC or other facility becomes operational when the facility and its staff can perform its operational functions. NOTE that the EOC does not have to be fully staffed to be considered operational.
Mitigation	Activities, which undertaken, may reduce the severity of, or completely eliminate hazardous events and situation.
Preparedness	Activities, principally planning, training and exercising, that are designed to comprehensively respond to an emergency or disaster event.
Response	Immediate actions taken to respond to an emergency or disaster event to save lives and property, and prevent further damage, based on actions outlined in plans and procedures.
Recovery	Short term and long term actions taken, once the emergency phase has passed, to restore order and restore community services to the level they were at prior to the emergency of disaster event.

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ACRONYMS

CC	Cumberland County
CERT	Community Emergency Response Teams
ICP	Incident Command Post
DAC	Disaster Applications Center
EAS	Emergency Alerting System
EHS	Extremely Hazardous Substances
EMA	Emergency Management Agency
EOC	Emergency Operations Center
EOP	Emergency Operations Plan
ERF	Emergency Response Functions
ERT	State of Maine Emergency Response Team
FCO	Federal Coordinating Officer
FEMA	Federal Emergency Management Agency
HAZMAT	Hazardous Materials
ICS	Incident Command System
MEMA	Maine Emergency Management Agency
NAWAS	National Alerting and Warning System
NFIP	National Flood Insurance Program
PIO	Public Information Officer
REP	Radiological Emergency Preparedness
SCO	State Coordinating Officer
SARA	Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act

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SERC	State Emergency Response Commission
SOP	Standard Operating Procedures
SOG	Standard Operating Guidelines
UC	Unified Command
VOAD	Volunteer Organizations Active in Disasters