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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2005 No. 2042**

**The Civil Contingencies Act 2004  
(Contingency Planning) Regulations 2005**

**PART 2**

**General**

**Co-operation and strategic co-ordination groups – Scotland**

5.—(1) General Category 1 responders which have functions which are exercisable in a particular local resilience area in Scotland must co-operate with each Category 1 responder which has functions which are exercisable in that local resilience area in connection with the performance by that other responder of its duties under section 2(1).

(2) The co-operation referred to in paragraph (1) –

- (a) may take the form of one general Category 1 responder co-operating with one or more Category 1 responder; and
- (b) must take the form of general Category 1 responders co-operating with the other Category 1 responders which have functions which are exercisable in that local resilience area in a single forum.

(3) The form of co-operation referred to in paragraph (2)(b) is referred to in these Regulations as the “strategic co-ordinating group”.

(4) As part of the strategic co-ordinating group, general Category 1 responders which have functions which are exercisable in a particular local resilience area in Scotland must make arrangements to hold a meeting with the other Category 1 responders which have functions which are exercisable in that local resilience area at least once every six months; each general Category 1 responder must, so far as reasonably practicable, attend such a meeting or be effectively represented at that meeting.

(5) General Category 2 responders which have functions which are exercisable in a particular local resilience area in Scotland must co-operate with each Category 1 responder which has functions which are exercisable in that local resilience area in connection with the performance by that Category 1 responder of its duties under section 2(1).

(6) A general Category 2 responder which has functions which are exercisable in a particular local resilience area in Scotland –

- (a) must, so far as reasonably practicable, attend a meeting of the strategic co-ordinating group for that local resilience area or be effectively represented at that meeting if it is invited to do so by all of those Category 1 responders which have functions which are exercisable in that local resilience area; and
- (b) in the case of any other meeting of that local resilience forum, must consider whether it is appropriate for it to attend the meeting or to be effectively represented at the meeting.

(7) Paragraph (8) applies for the purposes of –

- (a) enabling general Category 2 responders to comply with paragraph (6); and
  - (b) enabling Scottish Category 2 responders to comply with a provision in regulations made by the Scottish Ministers under Part 1 which imposes an obligation on Scottish Category 2 responders which is analogous to that imposed on general Category 2 responders under paragraph (6).
- (8) For the purposes specified in paragraph (7), general Category 1 responders which have functions which are exercisable in a particular local resilience area in Scotland must –
- (a) keep each Category 2 responder which has functions which are exercisable in that local resilience area informed of –
    - (i) when meetings of the strategic co-ordinating group are to take place;
    - (ii) the location of such meetings;
    - (iii) the matters which are likely to be discussed at such meetings;
  - (b) make arrangements for a Category 2 responder to attend any such meetings where the Category 2 responder wishes to do so; and
  - (c) consider whether a Category 2 responder should be invited to attend such a meeting.