

Exercise 12

Overview

Unit 11

Purpose

The purpose of this exercise is to provide participants with an opportunity to determine whether or not certain scenarios require the Safety Officer to create a Special Report.

Objectives

Students will:

- Decide whether a given scenario requires a Special Report.

Exercise Structure

This exercise will last approximately 30 minutes, including individual work and small group discussion. The participants will consider the scenarios provided and individually determine whether or not each scenario would require a Special Report. Then, in small groups, the participants will compare and discuss their responses and reach a consensus, which will then be presented to the rest of the class.

Rules, Roles, and Responsibilities

The following are the specific activities and instructions for your participation in the exercise:

1. Review the scenarios included in this exercise.
2. Individually, determine whether or not each scenario requires a Special Report.
3. Within your small group, select a group spokesperson.
4. Discuss your responses to each scenario and reach a consensus.
5. Present your responses to the rest of the class.

Exercise 12 Schedule

Activity	Duration	Participation Type
Exercise Introduction and Overview	2 minutes	Classroom
Individual Work	5 minutes	Individual
Discuss and Document	10 minutes	Small groups
Debrief and Review	15 minutes	Classroom

Exercise 12 Scenario

Determine which of the following scenarios would require the Safety Officer to fill out a Special Report.

Scenario 1

Three members of the IMT report to the Medical Unit after experiencing nausea and vomiting. Each had eaten lunch within the last 2 hours. Several other incident personnel have complained of stomach pains and indigestion over the last 24 hours.

This will spark an investigation involving the Safety Officer, the Medical Unit Leader, the Food Unit Leader, and possibly local health agencies. All incident personnel will have to document their processes and findings.

Scenario 2

A jeep carrying three incident personnel crashed into an embankment along the side of a road. The jeep was undamaged, and each of the passengers received only minor bruises and scratches. One of the passengers was the Operations Section Chief.

This will require documentation on all of the involved personnel's ICS Form 214s, as well as the Safety Officer's ICS Form 214. Any agency-specific accident reports will also need to be completed.

Scenario 3

A supply truck hit a pothole while driving toward the incident base, popping a rear tire and dislodging some of the cargo. The truck was carrying drums of diesel fuel for incident vehicles, and one drum spilled out onto the road.

The Safety Officer must ensure that an accident report is completed. In this case, the accident report will likely be completed by the law enforcement agency that has traffic enforcement jurisdiction for the accident site. The Safety Officer will document the incident on ICS Form 214. There will be a lot of paperwork for this incident, but not much for the Safety Officer.

Scenario 4

During a hazardous materials spill incident, a large quantity of bleach spilled into a river, threatening local water supplies and public water spaces. The Incident Commander informed the Agency Executive and the public that the spill would be contained within 3 days. However, progress has been slower than expected and the Operations Section Chief requested additional time at the Planning Meeting on Day 3.

There are no reports required from the Safety Officer.