



# Information Sheet

## Emergency Operations Plan

### Overview

The purpose of the Emergency Operations Plan or EOP is to provide for the integration and coordination of the emergency response activities of all levels of government, volunteer organizations, and the private sector in the state of Maine and to provide a flexible framework through which the state of Maine may respond to emergencies.

The EOP is a scalable, all-hazards plan; the structures and concepts it describes are applicable to all emergencies and disasters occurring in Maine regardless of cause, location, or magnitude. It was developed using the planning process outlined in the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) CPG-101 2.0 and conforms to NIMS requirements.

The EOP consists of:

- Base Plan
- Emergency Support Function (ESF) annexes;
- Incident annexes; and
- Supporting annexes.

The Base Plan forms the overall framework for emergency response in the state of Maine, while the ESF annexes provide additional detail on essential discipline-specific functions.

Incident annexes contain specialized information and procedures needed to address specific emergency incidents (e.g., cyber)

Supporting annexes include more detailed information regarding response mechanisms that apply to multiple hazards (e.g., evacuation).

### Scope

The EOP applies to state agencies and personnel, as well as organizations and individuals operating under or in support of emergency operations managed by the state of Maine. The plan applies only to an emergency incident or disaster that occurs in or impacts areas within the state of Maine.

It does not replace agency established procedures used for normal agency response to routine incidents. Instead, it outlines the management of emergencies and disasters that require response from multiple agencies and organizations and that pose major risks to life, property, and the environment. It will be used under these conditions to coordinate the response and mobilize the resources of state agencies and partner organizations.

This plan may also be used during large-scale planned events requiring coordination across multiple agencies, functions, and/or jurisdictions.

### Key Concepts:

1. The EOP is all-hazards; it defines how the state responds to all types of disasters and emergencies.
2. The EOP is built on scalable, flexible, and adaptable concepts.
3. The EOP aligns key roles and responsibilities across the state.

