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3 POSMS MANAGEMENT AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- 3.1.1 The POSMS is designed to identify, assess and assist in managing potential safety impacts throughout the life of the project rather than just from the design and manufacture stages. Therefore other parts of the MOD will be required to implement the activities identified in the POSMS in order to fully discharge MOD wide policy commitments.
- 3.1.2 The process and procedures also contain activities that will often be conducted by contractors for MOD. The procedures will help IPTs in contracting for the appropriate safety work by its Prime Contractors or for specialist safety support and in understanding what should be produced, so that it can be reviewed effectively.
- 3.1.3 The following provides a summary of the expected role of key MOD stakeholders in ensuring that the benefits are achieved from the operation of the POSMS.

3.2 The Equipment Capability Customer and Equipment User

- 3.2.1 The Equipment Capability Customer and the Equipment User will be required to inform the IPT within the URD of any specific safety issues that they are aware of and safety performance requirements that the equipment or service must meet. The Equipment Capability Customer and the Equipment User are also expected to identify what, if any, safety information they already hold, and to enter into clear agreements as to which organisation will be responsible for obtaining any location specific permits or authorisations, and related assessment for the use of the system.

3.3 IPTs

- 3.3.1 The IPT will be required to implement the POSMS procedures:

Number	Procedure Name
SMP01	Safety Initiation
SMP02	Safety Committee
SMP03	Safety Planning
SMP04	Preliminary Hazard Identification and Analysis
SMP05	Hazard Identification and Analysis
SMP06	Risk Estimation
SMP07	Risk and ALARP Evaluation
SMP08	Risk Reduction
SMP09	Risk Acceptance

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Number	Procedure Name
SMP10	Safety Requirements and Contracts
SMP11	Hazard Log
SMP12	Safety Case and Safety Case Report
SMP13	In-Service SMS

3.3.2 More detail on the work required in the implement each procedure can be found later in this document and also in the individual procedure documentation.

3.3.3 In addition, the IPTs will be responsible for providing information gathered on potential safety issues associated with the equipment or service to other parties as required for undertaking location specific safety assessments or studies which are required additional to the assessments completed under the POSMS. Part of the role of the IPT will be to agree and document these responsibilities on a project by project basis.

3.4 Operator/User/Defence Estate/Army Training Estate/IPTs

3.4.1 There may be specific operational procedures developed to mitigate safety risk, although in most instances safety mitigation will be integrated within procedures and documentation supporting the introduction and use of the equipment or service.

3.4.2 If the equipment or service, its use, or the safety requirements change from those originally identified, the change will need to be assessed for new safety risks and original safety risks identified must be reviewed and possibility revised, to identify any possible ways the new impact/risks (or increased impacts/risks) can be eliminated, reduced or controlled, eg do operational procedures require updating?

- a) **Changes to the use of the equipment or service.** For example, would include changes to where it was to be used or how it was to be used (which could include where the acquired item was to be used in combination with other systems).
- b) **Changes in the specification of the equipment or service.** For example, would include situations where changes are made to the equipment or service, in terms of materials or components, where re-assessment of the safety impacts and significance of those impacts would be required.
- c) **Changes to safety requirements or stakeholder concerns.** For example, would include changes to applicable safety legislation or policy requirements.

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3.4.3 The responsibility for completing, expanding or modifying the safety Risk Evaluations, would vary from project to project and therefore responsibility cannot be completely specified in this document. However where a Through Life IPT has been established for an equipment or service, the management of the review and revision of assessments and related plans would be the IPT's responsibility.

3.4.4 Users must be made aware of the limitations (including environments) within which the equipment or service can safely be used. Whilst these will be recorded in the Safety Case, they should also be defined in User documentation. If users are required to operate outside these limitations, including in a new environment, then the Safety Case must be revised (see above).

3.5 ASEG

3.5.1 ASEG holds overall responsibility for the management and maintenance of the ASEMS. ASEG's main role is to manage the review and revision of the Safety and Environmental Management Instructions and the POSMS and POEMS Manuals in line with System developments.

3.5.2 In addition ASEG will also be responsible for:

- Leading Management Reviews of the System;
- Development of training and awareness activities to support the ASEMS;
- Providing specialist System and related knowledge to IPTs in the Concept stage of CADMID;
- Providing general guidance to IPTs in meeting the requirements of the POSMS at other stages;
- Managing the arrangements for Safety Auditing of the IPTs' implementation of the POSMS.

3.6 Functional Safety Management Officers/Defence Safety & Claims (Functional SMOs/DS&C)

3.6.1 The Functional Safety Management Offices (FSMOs)/Defence Safety and Claims (DS&C) have responsibilities for the production and maintenance of Safety JSPs. FSMOs and DS&C have responsibilities for ensuring that the information contained within the JSPs on safety regulation and policy is kept-up to date and accessible to IPTs. DS&C is also responsible for the maintenance and distribution of the MOD legislation and policy tracker which, along with environment-specific Safety JSPs, provides the main MOD reference sources for the POSMS and in particular the Register of Legal and Other Significant Requirements.

3.6.2 FSMOs also provide advice to IPTs on interpretation of policy in their area and guidance on Subject Matter Experts who can provide specialist advice.

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