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Crisis and Incident Management – Incident Log Closure Protocol

Purpose:

To ensure all incident-related activity is formally logged, tagged, and closed in a way that supports audit, debrief, legal, and insurer requirements. This protocol applies to the Incident Coordinator and team leads as the crisis response winds down.

Required When:

Use this protocol when:

- The incident is being de-escalated (as confirmed by the Executive or Crisis Lead)
- The final 15–30 minutes of the response window has been reached
- Final outputs (media, legal, insurer, ops) are being prepared

Closure Checklist

1. Final Log Review & Tagging

- Review full inject list and timeline
- Ensure each inject is tagged with:
- Time received
- · Team(s) impacted
- · Action(s) taken
- Decision point (if applicable)

- Tag all major actions/decisions with final timestamps
- Highlight unresolved or delayed responses (for scoring)

2. Cross-Check with Teams

- Coordinate with Tech, Legal, Ops, Media, and CEO:
- Confirm each has logged their major actions and responses
- · Identify any "silent" or undocumented activity
- Capture cross-role communications (e.g. joint decisions, escalations)

3. Format Log for Export

- Ensure the master log is readable and structured:
- · Sort by timestamp
- Group by phase (e.g. T+0 to T+30)
- Use standard format: [Timestamp] [Team] [Action] [Outcome]
- · Save as:
- Internal archive version (.xlsx or .csv)
- Briefing version (.pdf for Board, Debrief, and Insurance)

4. Flag Key Learning Moments

- Identify entries where:
- · Teams took proactive or creative action
- · Escalation was delayed or debated
- · Policy conflicts or constraints arose
- · Role confusion or comms breakdowns occurred
- · Tag these for the debrief summary

Final Log Contents Should Include:

- Inject responses (time, action, outcome)
- Decision records (formal and informal)
- Major communications (internal and external)
- Cross-role handoffs or miscommunications
- System state transitions (e.g. isolation, containment, restore)

Debrief Use

The final log will be used to:

- Support the internal post-incident review process
- Identify opportunities for improvement in incident detection, escalation, and response
- Inform legal or regulatory reporting where applicable
- · Preserve an evidence trail to support policy and operational reform

Reminder:

Logs that are incomplete, disorganised, or missing timestamps reduce learning value and undermine the incident response narrative.

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