

Civil Defence Emergency Management

Competency Framework







Competencies for CDEM roles

Skills

Knowledge



What is Capability Development

Competencies are the language and metrics used to articulate capability. They describe and measure the skills, knowledge, attributes and attitudes required to do a job to an agreed standard of performance within a given range of contexts. For CDEM in New Zealand, these competencies are captured in the CDEM Competency Framework. Competencies can be used for a range of purposes, including the development of job profiles, design of role maps, or assistance with determining selection or recruitment criteria.

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- Conferences
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- · Self-directed learning

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Skills-based training, (like short courses at work), or knowledge-based education (like tertiary study or conferences), or practical experiential learning are the means usually associated with professional development.

But professional development alone does not fully capture all of the variables that enable, influence and drive people to be effective in their roles.

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Relationships

Mandate and Direction

Work Environment

Tools & Technology

Systems & Processes

Time & Motivation

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Capability development goes beyond professional development by looking at a person's confidence and competence to apply the acquired skills, knowledge, and attributes in a range of situations. Aspects of a person's capability that sit outside professional development include relationships, mandate and direction, tools and work environment, time, motivation and the previously acquired knowledge and skills the person brings to their role. In essence, capability development is a much broader and more comprehensive approach to growing and developing people to ensure they are effective in their roles..

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Attitudes

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Key Result Area 3

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Development of the Strategy

In late 2013, a number of representative agencies involved in civil defence emergency management (CDEM) in New Zealand collaboratively developed the basis for a collective strategy to address CDEM capability development. The CDEM Capability Development Strategy was designed for those agencies with specific responsibilities under the Civil Defence Emergency Management (CDEM) Act 2002 and the National CDEM Plan. Its aim is to support the achievement of the National CDEM Strategy by providing support and direction for developing the capability of all people engaged in CDEM.

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Partner Agencies

Agencies involved in CDEM will have varied levels of engagement and connection with this strategy. Some agencies are core partners, whereas others may see their involvement in CDEM as more peripheral, although no less important.

The CDEM Capability Development Strategy does not replace the capability frameworks or systems of individual agency partners, but rather, it supports engagement and collaboration in matters related specifically to emergency management.

The strategy focuses on the capability of individuals. Capable individuals then contribute, in turn, to capable teams, capable organisations, and a capable, strong and effective CDEM sector nationally.