

MANAGED STATIONS MANUAL

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1 HAZARD CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM

1.1 Risk Ranking Components

Three risk factors are combined to produce the overall risk ranking:

- a) The frequency with which the hazard occurs.
- b) The potential loss which may result from such an accident.
- c) The accident probability, which describes the likelihood, given that a hazard has occurred.

These factors are described in the following sections:

1.2 Hazard Frequency

Frequency provides a measure of the rate of occurrence of a hazard per unit time. The ratings to be applied are shown in Table 1.

Table 1: Hazard Frequency Ratings

Occurrence Frequency (within the area concerned)	Rating – F
Never	0
Remote (once per 1000 years)	1
Rare (once per 100 years)	2
Infrequent (once per 10 years)	3
Occasional (once per year)	4
Frequent (10 times per year)	5
Common (100 times per year)	6
Very common (1000+ times per year)	7

1.3 Accident Severity

The potential severity of each accident scenario is estimated in terms of the consequences of a credible, serious accident, which may result. The ratings to be applied are shown in Table 2. This establishes the potential loss associated with the accident.

Table 2: Accident Severity Ratings

Severity	Rating – S
None	0
Minor injuries	1
Major injury	2
One fatality	3
Multiple fatalities	4

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1.4 Accident Probability

This factor assesses the likelihood that the accident occurs (with stated consequence), given that the hazard has occurred. Example ratings are shown in Table 3.

Table 3: Incident Probability Ratings

Likelihood	Number of Times a Hazard may occur before an Accident Occurs	Rating – P
Never		0
Very unlikely	1000	1
Improbable	100	2
Occasional	10	3
Near certain	1	4

1.5 Overall Risk Rating

The risk rating is derived for each hazard by adding together all of the ratings which apply to that hazard, i.e. (F+S+P = overall risk rating). This risk ranking gives a 15 point scale where a rating of 3 corresponds to minimal risk and a rating of 15 corresponds to a very high risk.

An overall rating of 11 corresponds to one fatality a year. As the scale is logarithmic, a rating of 10 would therefore correspond to 0.1, equivalent fatalities per year.

2 HAZARD RATING HAZARD CLASSIFICATION

Hazard Rating	Hazard Classification
11-15	A
9-10	B
6-8	C
3-5	D
1-2	E

2.1 Hazard Classification A

Where the Hazard Classification is A, the activity shall not be allowed to proceed.

2.2 Hazard Classification B, C or D

Where the Hazard Classification is B, C or D the Station Support Assistant shall arrange for an initial site meeting to take place.

2.3 Hazard Classification D

Where the Hazard Classification is D, then the activity may only require an initial site meeting, and if this is the case then the activity will require a safe method of work. The safe method of work shall detail each element of the activity and incorporate the necessary control measures as identified by the Competent Person. The company representative shall provide to the Station Support Assistant, to an agreed timescale, the safe method of work. The safe method of work must be signed by the company representative to indicate the company's acceptance and to confirm that the activity will be limited to that which is detailed in the safe method of work.