

**APPENDIX 7.9 to ANNEX 7, Aviation Incident/Accident
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**UNITED STATES COAST
GUARD
(USCG)**

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I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Appendix is to delineate responsibilities necessary to respond to an aviation incident/accident.

II. MISSION

To coordinate and identify the primary and secondary responsibilities and activities required to save lives, prevent additional and potential loss of lives, mitigate any possibilities of continued hardship, damage to the environment, and the destruction of property.

III. SITUATION & ASSUMPTIONS

A major aviation incident/accident involving military, commercial, civil aircraft could have one of the following potential scenarios. It is important to note that at the initial stages of the incident/accident, the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) shall.

1. ON AIRPORT - The airport authority and the Government of Guam have full authority and responsibility to respond to these incidents. The USCG will assist as requested as a support agency and under a MOU with U.S. Naval Helicopter Combat Support Squadron 5. The USCG will request helicopter support for the search and rescue efforts.
2. OFF AIRPORT FEDERAL PROPERTY - The USCG will act as a support agency and respond to requests.
3. OFF AIRPORT OTHER THAN FEDERAL PROPERTY — The USCG will act as support agency and respond to request for assistance in situations involving both military and commercial aircraft.
4. SEA/COASTAL WATERS
 - a. The USCG implement the USCG Marianas Section Guam Air/Sea Disaster Preparedness Plan.
 - b. All response agencies will implement their Appendices in a support role.

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with all federal agencies and Department of Defense Armed Forces will be activated to insure a Unified Command Response to an aviation incident or accident and will include all the Response Agencies required to appropriately respond.

IV. CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS

The USCG is responsible for the following activities when responding to Aviation Incidents/Accidents:

1. Primary or Lead Agency Responsibilities:
 - a. Activate the USCG Marianas Section Guam's Air/Sea Disaster Preparedness Plan.
 - b. Notify and dispatch the appropriate level of response for the incident as outlined in the USCG Marianas Guam's Air/Sea Disaster Preparedness Plan.
 - c. Establish an Incident Command Structure in accordance with the USCG Marianas Section Guam's Air/Sea Disaster Preparedness Plan. The Unified Command will be established at the OCD EOC.
2. Support Agency Responsibilities:
 - a. Upon notification, contact and task U.S. Navy HC-5 to launch the appropriate response level to the incident in support of the search and rescue efforts.
 - b. Provide manpower and agency material as requested.

V. ORGANIZATION & ASSIGNMENT OF RESPONSIBILITIES

1. The USCG is responsible for:
 - a. Coordination of all Search and Rescue activities both land and water on and around the island of Guam.
 - b. Notification of appropriate response agencies.
 - c. Activation and management of the USCG Marianas Section Guam's Air/Sea Disaster Preparedness Plan.
 - d. Establishment of a Unified Command when an aircraft has ditched or crashed at sea.
 - e. Population and management of the ICS for an aircraft ditching or crash at sea.
2. Emergency Operations Organization Chart (see appendix B1 of the USCG Air/Sea Disaster Preparedness Plan)

3. Support Agencies required to support the USCG's response operations:

- a. Guam Fire Department
- b. Guam Police Department
- c. Guam Civil Defense
- d. U.S. Navy
- e. U.S. Air Force
- f. Federal Aviation Administration
- g. Office of the Governor
- h. Guam International Airport Authority
- i. Guam Memorial Hospital
- j. Department of Public Works
- k. GTA
- l. GSA and DOA
- m. Department of Public Health

4. Shared responsibilities with the following Agencies:

- a. Search and Rescue - GFD, GPD, USN, USAF
- b. Disaster Management - OCD, DOD, responsible party
- c. JIC USN USAF, Airlines, Federal and Local Government
- d. Alert warning & notification - FAA, OCD, GFD, GPD, DOD
- e. Logistics - DOD, GSA, DOA
- f. Financial Management - DOD, DOA

5. Deactivation Procedure Checklist

Refer to the USCG Marianas Section Guam's Air/Sea Disaster Preparedness Plan.

VI. ADMINISTRATION & LOGISTICS

- 1. Administration and record keeping will be conducted by the USCG when a ditching or at sea crash occurs. When the USCG is in a supportive role, record keeping will be limited to the activities concerning the USCG.
- 2. Logistics will be handled according to the USCG Marianas Section Guam's Air/Sea Disaster Preparedness Plan when the USCG is the lead agency. Logistics will be handled on an as needed basis when the USCG is in a supportive role.

VII. PLAN DEVELOPMENT & MAINTENANCE

- 1. The USCG (Marine Safety Office Guam Planning Section) will be responsible for the maintenance and revision of the USCG Marianas Section Guam's Air/Sea Disaster Preparedness Plan.

2. The USCG will review and exercise the agency plan on the following schedule:
 - a. Review annually
 - b. Exercise every three years

VIII. COMMAND AND CONTROL

1. Specific command and control functions will be delineated as outlined in the USCG Marianas Section Guam's Air/Sea Disaster Preparedness Plan.
2. A command organizational chart can be found in the USCG Marianas Section Guam's Air/Sea Disaster Preparedness Plan.

IX. AUTHORITIES AND REFERENCES

- National Search and Rescue Manual Vol. 1
- U.S. Coast Guard District 14 Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) Annex C
- U.S. Coast Guard Marianas Section Guam's Air/Sea Disaster Preparedness Plan
- Joint Plan 101
- Memorandum of Understanding between the U.S. Coast Guard and Guam Fire Department. (Dated: 11, September 1985)

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