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EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SUPPORTING PLAN FOR SYDNEY OLYMPIC PARK

Purpose
The purpose of this Policy is to formalise the existence and authority of the Emergency Management Supporting Plan for Sydney Olympic Park, which provides the framework for SOPA and all NSW emergency combat agencies to respond, manage and recover from emergencies that may occur at or otherwise involve Sydney Olympic Park.

The Emergency Management Supporting Plan for Sydney Olympic Park has been prepared by the Sydney Olympic Park Authority. Having received the endorsement of the City of Parramatta Local Emergency Management Committee, and North West Metropolitan Regional Emergency Management Committee in accordance with Section 23 (1) of the State Emergency and Rescue Management Act, 1989, as amended, this plan is issued by the Sydney Olympic Park Authority.

Context
The Emergency Management Supporting Plan for Sydney Olympic Park applies generally to SOPA, all nominated emergency and combat agencies, and owners and operators of premises within Sydney Olympic Park.

SOPA’s Place Management Business Unit is responsible for leading SOPA’s activities in relation to responding, managing and recovering from security events, operational crisis, and emergency incidents within Sydney Olympic Park. This includes all aspects of liaison with emergency management controllers; combat agency representatives; and where applicable venue operators.

The Director, Place Management (in consultation with the CEO) is SOPA’s decision-making authority for emergency purposes at all times including during major incidents; declared emergencies in the Public Domain; and during a declared business crisis affecting SOPA. The alternate for the Director, Place Management is the Senior Manager, Operations. [Any member of SOPA staff or any SOPA contractor may in an emergency be required to perform alternative duties or functions and such requirement will take precedence over all other matters].

SOPA’s Place Management Business Unit has overall responsibility for the strategy, direction and implementation of the Emergency Management Supporting Plan for Sydney Olympic Park, and in doing so will convene a SOPA Incident & Emergency Management Committee (IEMC); consult on an ongoing basis with the relevant NSW Police commands, participate as a formal representative of the Local Emergency management Committee and the Regional Emergency Management Committee; and work closely with all NSW emergency management agencies.

Strategy for Managing Incidents and Emergencies
Control and co-ordination of all incident and emergency response and recovery operations are initially conducted at the lowest effective level - this often means that SOPA and or a venue operator and/ or a building manager or tenant will endeavour to address the situation in the first instance.
Responsibility for preparedness, response and recovery from an incident in the public domain rests initially with SOPA, within a venue with the venue operator, and in other premises by the building manager.

If an incident becomes an emergency (i.e. it is of such a nature that SOPA / the Venue Operator / the Building Manager cannot satisfactorily cope, or it is outside their responsibility or jurisdiction) then assistance is sought (usually but not always by SOPA) from the relevant combat agency. For the public domain SOPA’s Place Management Business Unit takes the lead role in planning for and responding to incidents and emergencies, and for requesting emergency assistance once SOPA has been initially involved. (NOTE: any person may call 000 if they believe an emergency situation has occurred)

Related Policies
The Emergency Management Supporting Plan for Sydney Olympic Park does not specifically address, but is related to and may take precedence over some aspects of SOPA’s business continuity plans, security plans and risk management plans.

Confidentiality
The Emergency Management Supporting Plan for Sydney Olympic Park has some components which are security in confidence and hence are not available to the general public. These appendices are excluded from the Policy version of the plan.

Contact Officer
Any enquiries relating to this Policy should be addressed to the Senior Manager, Operations on 9714 7900.
Insert: SOPA Emergency Management Support Plan