

Generic Emergency Response Plan

The following text and flow diagram provides a generic emergency response plan for the discovery of potential UXO.

- 1) On discovery of a suspected UXO, site management should be immediately notified. All works are to cease and staff moved to a safe distance.
- 2) The suspected UXO must be secured/monitored to ensure it is not disturbed further until competent Explosive Ordnance Clearance (EOC) or Disposal (EOD) personnel can make positive identification/assessment.
- 3) If EOC/EOD personnel are already present on site they can make an assessment as to the nature of the UXO and confirm its status.
- 4) If no EOC/EOD personnel are on site, the EOD consultant should be contacted to make an assessment on the condition of the nature of the suspected UXO.
- 5) If the suspect item is deemed non-UXO, the safety cordon can be lifted and works can proceed.
- 6) If deemed potential UXO, the EOD team will mobilise to site (if not already present) to undertake further examination.
- 7) On examination, if the potential UXO proves to be non-hazardous/inert, it will be removed by the EOD team as ordnance scrap.
- 8) If the potential UXO is considered hazardous, the EOD team will undertake a disposal operation.
- 9) Liaison with local authorities will be undertaken once the EOD team has been tasked and they will be informed that a disposal operation is taking place and be advised whether any further measures are required. In the unlikely event that an evacuation is required, the local authorities will have a key role in facilitating this.
- 10) Once the disposal operation is complete, the EOD team will provide an all clear which will be communicated to all stakeholders and any safety cordons will be lifted.



