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# Rescue of the Year

The Rescue of the Year Award recognises outstanding achievements in emergency rescue operations. Nominators are invited to submit detailed documentation showcasing their efforts and the impact of their actions.

| Selection Criteria | |
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| 1. | **Technical Information**<br>Submissions must include comprehensive technical details about the rescue operation.<br>This should include:<br>• The nature of the emergency (e.g., natural disaster, accident, etc.)<br>• Rescue techniques and methodologies utilised.<br>• Equipment and tools employed.<br>• Challenges faced and how they were mitigated. |
| 2. | **Incident Background**<br>A detailed description of the incident context, including:<br>• Date and location of the rescue<br>• Duration of the operation<br>• Number of individuals involved as rescuers and those rescued. |
| 3. | **Performance Metrics**<br>Evidence of the effectiveness of the rescue efforts, such as:<br>• Rescue outcomes (e.g., lives saved, injured individuals assisted)<br>• Response time and efficiency<br>• Coordination with other agencies or teams. |
| 4. | **Impact Assessment**<br>Describe the broader impact of the rescue operation on the community or organisation.<br>This should include:<br>• Feedback from those involved (victims, community members, or fellow responders)<br>• Long-term effects on community resilience or emergency preparedness. |
| 5. | **Innovation and Best Practices:**<br>Highlight any innovative practices or techniques used in the rescue that could serve as a model for future operations.<br>This includes:<br>• New approaches to risk assessment and management.<br>• Effective use of technology in the rescue process. |
| 6. | **Team Collaboration and Leadership**<br>Description of the teamwork and leadership demonstrated during the operation, including:<br>• Roles and responsibilities of team members<br>• Communication strategies employed.<br>• Training or skills development leading up to the rescue. |
| 7. | **Adherence to Safety Protocols**<br>Explain how safety protocols were observed during the operation, including:<br>• Actions implemented to ensure the safety of both rescuers and those in need of rescue. |

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| | • Assessment of risks involved in the rescue operation. |
| Nominations will be reviewed by a panel of experts in emergency response and rescue operations. Evaluation will focus on the completeness of the submission, the effectiveness of the actions taken, and the overall impact of the rescue operation.<br><br>This structure ensures that applications are evaluated fairly and comprehensively, focusing on the technical prowess and collaborative spirit essential for effective rescue operations. | |