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Dynamic Risk Assessment – RED Weather Warning

Operational Checklist (Wind / Snow / Flooding/Extreme Heat)

Date: _____ Time: _____

Location / Area Affected: _____

Met Office RED Warning Type: Wind Snow/Ice Flooding Extreme Heat

Command Level: BRT IRT

1. Decision Trigger Check

- RED Weather Warning in force
- Met Office / Local Authority advice reviewed
- Conditions assessed locally

2. General Safety Controls (All RED Warnings)

- Non-essential attendance suspended
- On-street services suspended or restricted as agreed
- Activity limited to safety-critical tasks only
- Clear staff communication issued (safety > service)
- Dynamic risk assessments applied at task level
- Welfare and rest arrangements adequate

3. Weather-Specific Hazard Checks

A. High Wind

- Risk of falling trees, debris, signage, scaffolding
- Vehicle instability risk (Double deck?)
- Depot hazards (roofs, doors, loose materials)

Controls Confirmed:

- Vehicles returned early where required
- External work stopped or restricted
- Loose items secured / access restricted

B. Snow / Ice

- Road traction unsafe
- Slips / trips risk at depots and stops
- Reduced visibility

Controls Confirmed:

- Services suspended or curtailed
- Gritting / access routes assessed
- Staff advised on footwear and safe access

C. Flooding

- Flood warnings / alerts in affected areas
- Known flood-prone routes or depots affected
- Risk to electrics, pits, fuel systems

Controls Confirmed:

- Flooded routes avoided
- Vehicles not driven through standing water
- Vulnerable depot areas isolated

d. Extreme Heat Event

- Alerts in affected areas
- Known roads / routes or depots affected identified
- Welfare arrangements reviewed / implemented

Controls Confirmed:

- Impacted roads avoided
- Vehicle / Office air systems operating
- Vulnerable depot areas isolated & on street staff controls implemented

4. Travel to and From Work

- Colleagues advised not to travel unnecessarily
- Local management discretion applied
- No pressure placed on staff to attend

5. Engineering & Recovery Activity

- Engineering limited to safety-critical tasks
- Appropriate PPE available and used
- Work stopped if conditions deteriorate

6. Incidents and Escalation

- Accident / near-miss reporting active
- Any serious incidents escalated immediately
- RIDDOR consideration understood

7. Re-Assessment Decision**Based on current conditions:**

- Continue with agreed restrictions
- Further restrict activity
- Suspend all activity
- Safe to begin controlled recovery

Next Review Time: _____**Authorisation** 

Name: _____

Role: _____

Signature / Confirmation: _____

Key Principle

During a **RED Weather Warning**, no service or activity takes priority over safety.
If risks cannot be controlled, activity must stop.