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### **DISASTER RECOVERY TRAINING**

The Disaster Recovery training modules for 2025 are now available through the DFES eAcademy via e-learning and/or face-to-face delivery. These modules are suitable for staff and volunteers working in or wishing to gain an understanding of Emergency Management and Disaster Recovery.

The Resilience and Recovery (R&R) Portfolio was successful in obtaining grant funding through the Natural Disaster Resilience Program (NDRP) and has developed training modules focused on emergency management and recovery. In 2024, R&R delivered 13 training sessions to 111 colleagues from across the Western Australian State Government. The training has received very positive feedback from participants.

To meet demand, new e-learning modules have been developed and can be accessed by self-registration through eAcademy. These can be completed at your convenience.

The face-to-face training dates are available for registration via eAcademy. DFES staff and volunteers are encouraged to apply for these courses, which include a mix of participants from different agencies to improve learning outcomes through a blend of roles and experiences. Due to this mix, placement on particular training dates is not guaranteed, however the team will liaise with you regarding your needs. The Training Modules are listed on the following page, and can be found on eAcademy <a href="https://example.com/here/beta/h

A series of videos about the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements for Western Australia (DRFAWA) is also available to help local governments and State agencies understand the basics of how the arrangements work and the different types of assistance that might be available. If you would like to know more about the DRFAWA, you can view these here: <u>Videos hosted on MobiliseMe</u>.

For more information, please email recoverycapability@dfes.wa.gov.au.

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### **Training Modules**

# **Introduction to Emergency Management**

This module provides participants an introductory overview of Western Australia's emergency management (EM) framework. It focuses on identifying EM legislation, regulations, and policies, as well as exploring underlying EM principles, the hazard management structure, and identifying how Disaster Recovery fits into the overall approach.

e-learning via eAcademy

Face-to-face

4, 17 June

1, 9, 22 July

13, 19 August

8 October

## **Introduction to Disaster Recovery**

This module follows on from the training module *Introduction to Emergency Management*. The course provides a broad overview of the discipline of Disaster Recovery, focusing on outlining key Recovery concepts and principles, identifying key agencies and their roles, Recovery planning, and describing the triggers for Recovery commencement.

Prerequisite – Introduction to Emergency Management

5, 18 June

2, 23 July

e-learning via eAcademy

Face-to-face

14, 20 August

#### Working in Disaster Recovery

This two-day module examines the overarching and disaster-specific objectives of recovery, the effects of emergencies on communities, and what to expect in the challenging initial days of recovery. It also covers processes for planning, implementing, and evaluating recovery projects and programs, the recovery governance structure and roles, best practice for communicating in recovery and self-care strategies for people working in recovery.

Prerequisite – Introduction to Disaster Recovery.



10-11 September 21-22 October

Face-to-face

# **Engaging the Community in Disaster Recovery**

This module examines the importance of community engagement in disaster recovery. It focuses on key principles and approaches for community engagement and some of the challenges those working in community engagement may experience in a recovery context.

Pre-requisite – Introduction to Disaster Recovery



30, 31 July

23, 24 September

Face-to-face