

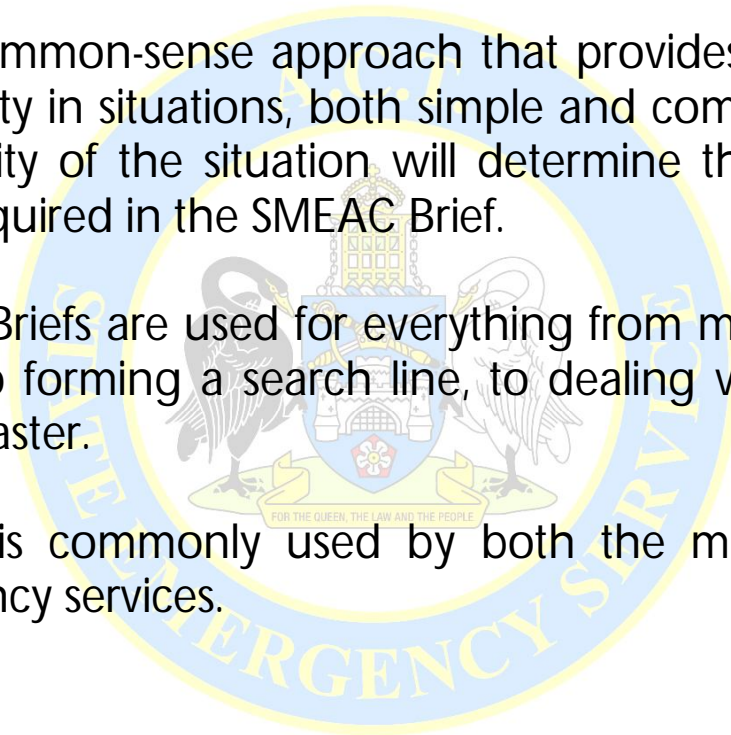
# SMEAC BRIEFS

'SMEAC' is an acronym that describes a command approach to a variety of situations where a degree of organisation is required.

It is a common-sense approach that provides direction and clarity in situations, both simple and complex. The complexity of the situation will determine the level of detail required in the SMEAC Brief.

SMEAC Briefs are used for everything from mounting a battle, to forming a search line, to dealing with a full-scale disaster.

SMEAC is commonly used by both the military and emergency services.



## **SITUATION** – DESCRIBE WHAT IS HAPPENING

- What is the overall situation?
- What is at risk?
- What is the physical environment?
- What dangers and/or problems exist?

## **MISSION** – DESCRIBE WHAT NEEDS TO BE ACHIEVED

- What is the overall mission?
- What are the objectives?
- Who or what is saveable?

## **EXECUTION** – DESCRIBE HOW YOU WANT THINGS DONE

- What are the tactics?
- How will the tasks be executed?

## **ADMINISTRATION/ LOGISTICS** – DESCRIBE HOW IT WILL BE SUPPORTED

- What logistical support is required? *Logistical support includes personnel, equipment and supplies, food, water, facilities.*
- What is the timing for the various logistics?
- What resources are immediately available?
- What resources will become available and when?
- Where are the resources?

## **COMMAND, CONTROL, COMMUNICATION AND CONFIRMATION** – DESCRIBE HOW IT WILL BE COORDINATED

- Who is in overall control of incident?
- What is the chain of command for the incident?
- What are the channels of communication?
- What are the pro words, eg "NO DUFF"?
- Confirm tasks with participants.