

LAUNCH OF THE NOS TOOLKIT

The Emergency Planning College has developed an online [National Occupational Standards \(NOS\) Toolkit](#) to help support the use of NOS for civil contingencies.

Subscribers can access the toolkit, a key component of the NOS finder which allows you to search for NOS by code, title, sector or keyword.



The screenshot shows the website interface for the National Occupational Standards (NOS) for Civil Contingencies. The header features the EPC logo (Emergency Planning College) and the Cabinet Office logo, along with the text "In association with SKILLS JUSTICE". Below the header is a navigation menu with links: Home, About NOS, NOS Finder, NOS for Civil Contingencies, EPC courses mapped to NOS, NOS Toolkit, Contact us, and Your session. The main content area is titled "Civil Contingencies NOS Finder" and includes a search input field with the placeholder text "Enter a word, phrase or unit code...", a "Search" button, and radio button options for "Match: Any words", "All words", and "Exact phrase". Below the search area are links for "Overview of NOS", "About NOS", and "Using NOS". A section titled "NOS Toolkit" provides information about the toolkit, stating that it provides registered users with additional information regarding NOS and how they can be used. It also mentions that users can create job descriptions using the Job Design tool, and provides links for registered users to log in and for new users to register.

Today, NOS are an indispensable tool for managing a highly skilled workforce. They are used in a variety of ways to support individual and organisational development and quality assurance at all levels. They provide benchmarks of good practice across the UK.

The NOS for Civil Contingencies are particularly relevant to category 1 and 2 responders e.g. police, fire and rescue services, health bodies, local authorities, environment bodies, utilities, transport, oil and chemical industries, and security providers as well as not-for-profit agencies. They are also relevant to individuals and organisations that have a role in civil protection such as those involved in communications, social care, and business management.

The Civil Contingencies NOS fully support integrated and partnership working. They encourage individuals to work in co-operation with other agencies and to manage and share information to support civil protection decision making.

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