



National  
Operational  
Guidance

Hazard

**Water holding facilities**



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## Hazard - Water holding facilities

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### Hazard Knowledge

Personnel attending incidents may need to work near to water holding facilities including

- Open vats
- Tanks
- Pits
- Bunds
- Rivers
- Reservoirs

Working near water holding facilities presents similar hazards to [working near water](#). Therefore, the guidance contained in National Operational Guidance: [Water rescue and flooding](#) may need to be applied.



## Control measure - Identify and control the hazard area around a water holding facility

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### Control measure knowledge

An appropriate hazard area around a water holding facility should be identified and controlled. Access into the hazard area should be prevented, or limited to essential tasks with only the minimum number of personnel.

For further information, including strategic actions and tactical actions, refer to National Operational Guidance: Incident command - [Structuring an incident](#).

### Strategic actions



## Tactical actions

There are no tactical actions associated with this control measure.