



National
Operational
Guidance

Control measure

**Assess current and forecast weather
conditions**



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Control measure knowledge

Forecast weather conditions should be obtained and monitored as they can have a negative effect on operations and the health and safety of personnel.

This information should be assessed, along with any microclimate that could be produced by the specific location and its topography. Current and forecast weather conditions should be used to inform the tactical planning and risk assessment of an incident.

Strategic actions

Fire and rescue services should:

- Provide personnel with access to meteorological information, such as for example, the Met Office's FireMet in 'hazard manager' for predicting weather conditions
- Ensure that strategies are in place to enable timely communication of forecast weather conditions to operational personnel

Tactical actions

Incident commanders should:

- Access past, present and future weather information from sources such as the Met Office
- Request and review up-to-date weather forecasts