WAC 118-04-060 Definitions. (1) "Authorized official" means the adjutant general of the Washington military department or designee, director of the state emergency management division or designee, the director or designee of a local emergency management agency, the chief law enforcement officer or designee of a political subdivision, or other such officials as identified in the search and rescue annex or emergency support function of a local comprehensive emergency management plan.

(2) "Authorized organization" means the Washington military department, emergency management division; local emergency management agencies, and law enforcement agencies of political subdivisions.

(3) "Claimant" means the person making a claim or their legal representative.

(4) "Emergency management division" means Washington military department, emergency management division.

(5) "Engineer" means any person registered under chapter 38.52 RCW as an emergency worker who is an architect registered under chapter 18.08 RCW and/or a professional engineer registered under chapter 18.43 RCW.

(6) "Evidence search" means an unscheduled, nonemergency training activity utilizing emergency worker skills to look for evidentiary material resulting from criminal activity.

(7) "Incident" means an occurrence or event, either human-caused or natural phenomena, that requires action by emergency services personnel to prevent or minimize loss of life or damage to property and/or the environment.

(8) "Local emergency management agency" means the emergency management or emergency services organization of a political subdivision of the state established in accordance with RCW 38.52.070.

(9) "Local director" means the director or designee of a local emergency management agency.

(10) "Mission" means a distinct assignment of personnel and equipment to achieve a set of tasks related to an incident, emergency, disaster, or search and rescue operation that occurs under the direction and control of a local authorized official.

(11) "Training event" means a planned, nonemergency activity for the development, maintenance, or upgrading of emergency worker skills.

(12) "Urban search and rescue (US&R)" means locating, extricating and providing for the immediate medical treatment of victims trapped in collapsed or damaged structures.

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