

Emergency Management, Oklahoma Department of (63 O.S. § 683.4)

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Mission Statement To minimize the effects of attack, technological, and natural disasters upon the people of Oklahoma by preparing and exercising preparedness plans, assisting local government sub-divisions with training for and mitigation of disasters, and by coordinating actual disaster response/recovery operations.

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Personnel 20 classified, 5 unclassified, merit

History and Function Created by the Oklahoma Legislature in 1951, later laws combined the responsibilities of the Department of Emergency Resources Management with the Department of Civil Defense. The department now implements programs designed to minimize the effects of national and natural disaster upon the people of Oklahoma.

Emergency Management Compact (63 O.S. § 684.1)

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History and Function Purpose is to provide for mutual assistance among the states entering into this compact in managing any emergency or disaster that is duly declared by the governor of the affected state, whether arising from natural disaster, technological hazard, man-made disaster, civil emergency aspects of resources shortages, community disorders, insurgency, or enemy attack. Also provides for mutual cooperation in emergency-related exercises, testing, or other training activities.