

Declaration of a disaster situation - State level



This form is in accordance with Sections 69, 70 and 71 of the *Disaster Management Act 2003*.

To be completed by the Executive Officer, State Disaster Management Group

Date and local time:	
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Subject to the approval of the Minister for Emergency Services, I request the declaration of a disaster situation for:

The State or defined area within the State: (Note 1)	
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PART A

For the following reasons:
 Please tick the appropriate box/es.
(NB: To declare a disaster situation at least one of the following must be valid)

A disaster has happened in the State.	<input type="checkbox"/>
A disaster is happening in the State.	<input type="checkbox"/>
A disaster is likely to happen in the State.	<input type="checkbox"/>

Provide justification for the above response: (Note 2) (Attach further documentation if necessary)	
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AND

PART B

Please tick the appropriate box/es.

(NB: To declare a disaster situation at least one of the following must be valid)

I am satisfied that it is necessary for the District Disaster Coordinator (DDC) or a Declared Disaster Officer (DDO) to exercise declared disaster powers to prevent or minimise any of the following:

Loss of human life.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Illness or injury to humans.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Property loss or damage.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Damage to the environment.	<input type="checkbox"/>

Provide justification for the above response: (Note 3) (Attach further documentation if necessary)	

Date: _____

Time: _____

Executive Officer
State Disaster Management Group

Send form to Minister for Emergency Services for approval.

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We, *(Insert name)*, Premier of Queensland and *(Insert name)*, Minister for Emergency Services declare a disaster situation for *(Insert State or part of State)* being satisfied that:

- *(choose appropriate option)* A disaster has happened/ is happening/ or is likely to happen, in the State; and
- It is necessary for a District Disaster Coordinator or a Declared Disaster Officer to exercise declared disaster powers to prevent or minimise *(choose appropriate option/s)* loss of human life/ illness or injury to humans/ property loss or damage/ damage to the environment.

The disaster situation is declared at *(insert time and date)*.

Premier and Minister for Trade

Minister for Emergency Services

Retain a copy of this form for your records and send the original to the State Disaster Coordination Centre on Fax: 3357 4682

Guidelines for completing a request for a declaration of a disaster situation – State level form DM5

General

In accordance with section 69 of the *Disaster Management Act 2003*, the Minister and the Premier may declare a disaster situation for the State, or a part of the State, if satisfied -

- a disaster has happened, is happening or is likely to happen, in the State; and
- it is necessary for the DDC or a Declared Disaster Officer (DDO) to exercise declared disaster powers to prevent or minimise any of the following –
 - loss of human life;
 - illness or injury to humans;
 - property damage or loss;
 - damage to the environment.

A declaration must be made through this form.

Note 1

Enter either the whole of the State of Queensland or the part of the State to be declared.
e.g. Redcliffe and Brisbane Disaster Districts

Note 2

In reference to the box ticked in part A, provide brief details of the situation, and why it should be considered a disaster.

Note 3

In reference to the box ticked in part B, provide brief details of the loss or damage that a DDC or DDO may need to exercise Declared Disaster Powers to prevent or minimise.