Glossary of mine action terms, definitions and abbreviations

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Foreword

International standards for humanitarian demining programmes were first proposed by working groups at an international technical conference in Denmark, in July 1996. Criteria were prescribed for all aspects of demining, standards were recommended and a new universal definition of ‘clearance’ was agreed. In late 1996, the principles proposed in Denmark were developed by a UN-led working group and the International Standards for Humanitarian Mine Clearance Operations were developed. A first edition was issued by the UN Mine Action Service (UNMAS) in March 1997.

The scope of these original standards has since been expanded to include the other components of mine action and to reflect changes to operational procedures, practices and norms. The standards were re-developed and renamed as International Mine Action Standards (IMAS) with the first edition produced in October 2001.

The United Nations has a general responsibility for enabling and encouraging the effective management of mine action programmes, including the development and maintenance of standards. UNMAS, therefore, is the office within the United Nations responsible for the development and maintenance of IMAS. IMAS are produced with the assistance of the Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining.

The work of preparing, reviewing and revising IMAS is conducted by technical committees, with the support of international, governmental and non-governmental organisations. The latest version of each standard, together with information on the work of the technical committees, can be found at http://www.mineactionstandards.org/. Individual IMAS are reviewed at least every three years to reflect developing mine action norms and practices and to incorporate changes to international regulations and requirements.
Glossary of mine action terms, definitions and abbreviations

1. Scope

This Glossary provides a summary of the terms, definitions and abbreviations used in mine action. If two or more alternative definitions are in common use, then both are given in this glossary.

Note: Definitions can change and new definitions may be added to this IMAS. In order to set the definitions in time, new definitions or changed definitions will have the relevant date in the brackets below the word or term to be defined. All other definitions are assumed to have been included in the second edition of IMAS 04.10 dated 01 January 2003.

2. References

The following normative documents contain provisions, which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this part of the standard. For dated references, subsequent amendments to, or revisions of, any of these publications do not apply. However, parties to agreements based on this part of the standard are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the normative documents indicated below. For undated references, the latest edition of the normative document referred to applies. Members of ISO and IEC maintain registers of currently valid ISO or EN:

a) IATG 01.40, Glossary of terms, abbreviations and definitions;
b) ISO 3166, Codes for the representation of names of countries;
c) ISO 9000:2000, Quality management systems – Fundamentals and vocabulary;
d) ISO 14000:2004, Environmental management systems – Requirements with guidance for use;
e) ISO 10241, International terminology standards - Preparation and layout;
f) ISO Guide 51, Safety aspects - Guidelines for their inclusion in standards;
g) ISO/IEC Guide 2, Standardization and related activities - General vocabulary;
h) ISO/IEC Directives Part 2, Methodology for the development of International Standards;
i) ISO/IEC Directives Part 3, Rules for the structure and drafting of International Standards;
j) ISO Standards Handbook, Quantities and units;
k) OHSAS 18001:1999, Occupational health and safety management systems - Specifications;
l) OHSAS 18002:2000, Occupational health and safety management systems - Guidelines for the implementation of OHSAS 18001;
m) ILO R164 - Occupational safety and health recommendation 1981;
n) ILO C155 - Occupational safety and health convention 1981;
o) AAP-6, NATO glossary of terms and definitions;
p) AOP 38 Specialist glossary of terms and definitions on ammunition safety;
q) Anti-personnel Mine Ban Convention (APMBC);

r) Convention on Certain Conventional Weapons (CCW), amended protocol II and protocol V;

s) Convention of Cluster Munitions (CCM); and

t) United Nations - Gender guidelines for mine action programmes.

3. Terms, definitions and abbreviations

[ A ]

3.1. abandoned cluster munitions
(2009)
cluster munitions or explosive sub-munitions that have not been used and that have been left behind or dumped, and that are no longer under the control of the party that left them behind or dumped them. They may or may not have been prepared for use. (CCM)

3.2. Abandoned Explosive Ordnance (AXO)
(2005)
explosive ordnance that has not been used during an armed conflict, that has been left behind or dumped by a party to an armed conflict, and which is no longer under control of the party that left it behind or dumped it. Abandoned explosive ordnance may or may not have been primed, fuzed, armed or otherwise prepared for use. (CCW protocol V)

3.3. acceptance
(2005)
the formal acknowledgement by the sponsor, or the sponsor’s nominated representative that the equipment meets the stated requirements and is suitable for use in mine action programmes. An acceptance may be given with outstanding caveats.

3.4. access lane
a marked passage leading through a hazardous area that has been cleared to provide safe movement to a required point or area.

3.5. accident
an undesired event which results in harm.

Note: Modified from definition in OHSAS 18001:1999.

3.6. accreditation
(2009)
the procedure by which a mine action organization is formally recognised as competent and able to plan, manage and operationally conduct mine action activities safely, effectively and efficiently.

Note: For most mine action programmes, the NMAA will be the body which provides accreditation. International organisations such as the United Nations or regional bodies may also introduce accreditation schemes.
Note: ISO 9000 usage is that an ‘Accreditation’ body accredits the ‘Certification or Registration’ bodies that award ISO 9000 certificates to organisations. The usage in IMAS is completely different to this, and is based on the main definition above, which is well understood in the mine action community.

3.7. accreditation body
an organisation, normally an element of the NMAA, responsible for the management and implementation of the national accreditation system.

3.8. advocacy
in the context of mine action, the term refers to…. public support, recommendation or positive publicity with the aim of removing, or at least reducing, the risk from, and the impact of, mines and ERW.

3.9. agreement
(2004)
an alternative term for a contract. An agreement includes all the crucial elements of a contract.

Note: Definition when used in a legal sense.

3.10. all reasonable effort
(2013)
describes what is considered a minimum acceptable level of effort to identify and document contaminated areas or to remove the presence or suspicion of mines/ERW. All reasonable effort has been applied when the commitment of additional resources is considered to be unreasonable in relation to the results expected.

3.11. Amended Protocol II (APII)
Amended Protocol II (APII) to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which May be Deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects (CCW).

Note: It prohibits the use of all undetectable anti-personnel mines and regulates the use of wider categories of mines, booby-traps and other devices. For the purposes of the IMAS, Article 5 lays down requirements for the marking and monitoring of mined areas. Article 9 provides for the recording and use of information on minefields and mined areas. The Technical Annex provides guidelines on, inter alia, the recording of information and international signs for minefields and mined areas.

3.12. ammunitions
see munition

3.13. anti-handling device
a device intended to protect a mine and which is part of, linked to, attached or placed under the mine and which activates when an attempt is made to tamper with or otherwise intentionally disturb the mine. [APMBC]

Ottawa Convention
Mine Ban Treaty (APMBC)
Note: Provides for a complete ban on the use, stockpiling, production and transfer of anti-personnel mines (APMs) and on their destruction. For the purposes of IMAS documents, Article 5 of the APMBC lays down requirements for the destruction of APMs in mined areas. Article 6 details transparency measures required under the Treaty including information on the location of mined or suspected mined areas and measures taken to warn the local population.

3.15. Anti-Personnel Mines (APM)
a mine designed to be exploded by the presence, proximity or contact of a person and that will incapacitate, injure or kill one or more persons.

Note: Mines designed to be detonated by the presence, proximity or contact of a vehicle as opposed to a person that are equipped with anti-handling devices, are not considered APM as a result of being so equipped. [APMBC]

3.16. applied research
research focused at clearly defined problems and market opportunities.

Note: Its principal purpose is to establish the feasibility of applying technology to solve a clearly defined problem, within defined parameters such as cost, time and risk.

3.17. armed
(2009)
the state of a mine or explosive ordnance when all elements of the fuzing train are in line and capable of initiation/firing by applied energy.

3.18. audit
(2006)
an assessment of the adequacy of management controls to ensure the economical and efficient use of resources; the safeguarding of assets; the reliability of financial and other information; the compliance with regulations, rules and established policies; the effectiveness of risk management; and the adequacy of organisational structures, systems and processes.

3.19. battlefield
(2007)
refers to an area in which ERW including UXO and AXO have been found. This may include former battle areas, defensive positions and sites where air delivered or artillery munitions have been left, fired or dropped.

3.20. Battle Area Clearance (BAC)
(2005)
the systematic and controlled clearance of hazardous areas where the hazards are known not to include mines.

3.21. benchmark
(2004)
in the context of humanitarian demining, the term refers to…. a fixed point of reference used to locate a marked and recorded hazard or hazardous area. It should normally be located a short distance outside the hazardous area.
3.22. **Bomb Live Unit (BLU)**
(2004)
part of the nomenclature of a type of submunition e.g. BLU 26 or BLU 97.

3.23. **bomblet**
see **submunition**.

3.24. **booby trap**
an explosive or non-explosive device, or other material, deliberately placed to cause casualties when an apparently harmless object is disturbed or a normally safe act is performed. [AAP-6]

3.25. **boundary lane**
a cleared lane around the perimeter of a **hazardous area**.

3.26. **box**
(2005)
a squared area that is developed for the purpose of being searched by MDDs.

Note: A box normally measures 10m x 10m, but other sizes may be preferred.

3.27. **briefing area**
(2004)
in the context of humanitarian demining . . . a clearly identifiable control point intended to be the first point of entry to a **demining worksite**.

Note: The briefing area contains a plan of the minefield and its current level of clearance, at a scale large enough for briefing purposes, showing the location of control points (car park, first aid point, explosive storage areas, the areas where mine clearance work is progressing and distances), and where safety equipment is issued to visitors.

3.28. **burning site**
(2005)
an area authorised for the destruction of munitions and explosives by burning.

[ C ]

3.29. **cancelled area**
cancelled land (m²)
(2013)
A defined area concluded not to contain evidence of mine/ERW contamination following the non-technical survey of a SHA/CHA.

3.30. **CCM (the 2008 Convention on Cluster Munitions)**
(2009)
the CCM prohibits all use, stockpiling, production and transfer of Cluster Munitions. Separate articles in the Convention concern assistance to victims, clearance of contaminated areas and destruction of stockpiles.

3.31.  
**CCW (the 1980 Convention on Certain Conventional Weapons)**  
(2007)  
The 1980 Convention on Conventional Weapons

Note: The 1980 Convention on Prohibitions and Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May be Deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects as amended on 21 December 2001. It has five parts, or “protocols.” Only two of them are related to mine action. **Amended Protocol II** deals with landmines, booby-traps and other devices, and **Protocol V** deals with the problem of explosive remnants of war (ERW).

3.32.  
**CEN (Committee European Normalisation)**  
CEN is the European Committee for Standardisation.

Note: The mission of CEN is to promote voluntary technical harmonisation in Europe in conjunction with worldwide bodies and its European partners. European standards (referred to as EN (Europe Normalisation) form a collection which ensures its own continuity for the benefit of users.

3.33.  
**CWA (CEN Workshop Agreement)**  
(2007)  
an agreement developed by a CEN Workshop, which reflects the consensus of identified individuals and organizations responsible for its contents.

3.34.  
**certification committee**  
a committee appointed by UNMAS to regularly review compliance of the **impact** component of the GMAA process with the UN certification guidelines based on the reports of the UN **quality assurance** monitor from the field.

Note: Acceptance of the findings of the impact component of the GMAA of a specific country by the international community is dependent on its certification by the UN certification committee.

3.35.  
**clearance**  
(2013)  
in the context of mine action, the term refers to tasks or actions to ensure the removal and/or the destruction of all **mine** and **ERW** hazards from a specified area to a specified depth

3.36.  
**cleared area**  
cleared land (m²)  
(2013)  
A defined area cleared through the removal and/or destruction of all specified **mine** and **ERW** hazards to a specified depth.

3.37.  
**cleared lane**  
safety lane  
the generic term for any lane, other than a **boundary lane**, cleared by a survey or clearance team to the international standard for **cleared land**. This may include **access lanes** outside the hazardous area or cross/verification lanes inside a hazardous area.
3.38. Cluster Bomb Unit (CBU)
an expendable aircraft store composed of a dispenser and sub-munitions. [AAP-6]

a bomb containing and dispensing sub-munitions which may be mines (anti-personnel or anti-tank), penetration (runway cratering) bomblets, fragmentation bomblets etc.


Note: The following definition of cluster munition is for political purposes as defined in the CCM. From a technical point of view cluster munitions are included in the overall definition of ERW.

Cluster munition refers to a conventional munition that is designed to disperse or release explosive sub-munitions each weighing less than 20 kilograms, and includes those explosive submunitions. (CCM)

It does not include the following:

a) a munition or submunition designed to dispense flares, smoke, pyrotechnics or chaff; or a munition designed exclusively for an air defence role;

b) a munition or submunition designed to produce electrical or electronic effects;

c) a munition that in order to avoid indiscriminate area effects and the risks posed by unexploded submunitions, has all of the following characteristics:

   (i) each munition contains fewer than 10 explosive submunitions;

   (ii) each explosive submunition weighs more than four kilograms;

   (iii) each explosive submunition is designed to detect and engage a single target object;

   (iv) each explosive submunition is equipped with an electronic self-destruction mechanism;

   (v) each explosive submunition is equipped with an electronic self-deactivating feature;

3.40. Cluster munition contaminated area (2009)
an area known, or suspected, to contain cluster munition remnants. (CCM)

3.41. Collaboration

in the context of mine action equipment procurement, the term refers to.... an activity which applies solely to the procurement of common equipment by two or more organisations.

3.42. Command activated IED (2014)
a type of IED containing a switch that is activated by the attacker in which the attacker controls the device.

3.43. Commercial off the Shelf (COTS)
in the context of mine action equipment procurement, the term refers to.... an equipment that is available direct from the manufacturer and requires no further development prior to introduction into service apart from minor modifications.
3.44. commonality
in the context of mine action equipment procurement, the term refers to… a state achieved when groups of individuals or organisations use common procedures and/or equipment.

3.45. community liaison
community mine action liaison (2009)
liaison with men and women in mine/ERW affected communities to exchange information on the presence and impact of mines and ERW, create a reporting link with the mine action programme and develop risk reduction strategies. Community liaison aims to ensure that the different community needs and priorities are central to the planning, implementation and monitoring of mine action operations.

Note: Community liaison is based on an exchange of information and involves men, women, boys and girls in the communities in the decision making process, (before, during and after demining), in order to establish priorities for mine action. In this way mine action programmes aim to be inclusive, community focused and ensure the maximum involvement of all sections of the community. This involvement includes joint planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of projects.

Note: Community liaison also works with communities to develop specific interim safety strategies promoting individual and community behavioural change. This is designed to reduce the impact of mines/ERW on individuals and communities until such time as the hazard is removed.

3.46. compatibility
in the context of mine action equipment procurement, the term refers to… the capability of two or more components or sub-components of equipment or material to exist or function in the same environment without mutual interference.

3.47. concept formulation
the first stage in the procurement process, and covers the period of the emergence of the idea to the initial SON.

refers to an area where the presence of mine/ERW contamination has been confirmed on the basis of direct evidence of the presence of mines/ERW.

3.49. contaminated area (2009)
in the context of mine action, the term refers to... an area known or suspected to contain mines and, or ERW.

3.50. contract (2009)
a formal legally binding agreement with specific terms between two or more entities in which there is a promise to do something in return for a valuable benefit known as a consideration.
3.51. contractor  
any organisation (governmental, non-governmental or commercial entity) contracted to undertake a mine action activity. The organisation liable under contract responsible for the conduct of the overall contract is referred to as the ‘prime contractor’. Other organisations or parties the prime contractor engages to undertake components of the larger contract are referred to as ‘sub-contractors’. Sub-contractors are responsible to the prime contractor and not to the principal.

3.52. control area or point  
all points or areas used to control the movements of visitors and staff on a demining worksite.

3.53. cost-effectiveness  
an assessment of the balance between a system’s performance and its whole life costs.

3.54. cost-plus contract  
a contract in which the contractor is reimbursed all costs incurred in undertaking a specific scope of work and is paid an additional lump sum or fixed percentage of the reimbursable costs.

3.55. counter IED  
the collective efforts at all levels to defeat the IED System in order to reduce or eliminate the effects of all forms of IEDs used against friendly forces and non-combatants according to the mission.

3.56. critical non-conformity  
the failure of a 1.0m² unit of land during inspection to meet the stated clearance requirements. IMAS identifies two types of critical non-conformities:

a) the discovery of a mine or ERW; and

b) other critical non conformities as defined by NMAA.

3.57. decontamination  
a process of removing undesired contamination from test items, tools and accessories that are used when preparing a field test. (Definition for MDD use only).
3.58.
deflagration
(2009)
a technical term describing subsonic combustion that usually propagates through thermal conductivity [(hot burning material heats the next layer of cold material and ignites it (AOP 38)].

3.59.
demilitarisation
(2009)
the act of removing or otherwise nullifying the military potential of a munition. Demilitarization is a necessary step for military items prior to their release into a non-military setting (AOP 38).

the process that renders munitions unfit for their originally intended purpose.

3.60.
deminer
(2009)
a man or woman qualified and employed to undertake demining activities on a demining worksite.

3.61.
demining
humanitarian demining activities which lead to the removal of mine and ERW hazards, including technical survey, mapping, clearance, marking, post-clearance documentation, community mine action liaison and the handover of cleared land. Demining may be carried out by different types of organisations, such as NGOs, commercial companies, national mine action teams or military units. Demining may be emergency-based or developmental.

Note: in IMAS standards and guides, mine and ERW clearance is considered to be just one part of the demining process.

Note: in IMAS standards and guides, demining is considered to be one component of mine action.

Note: in IMAS standards and guides, the terms demining and humanitarian demining are interchangeable.

3.62.
demining accident
an accident at a demining workplace involving a mine or ERW hazard (c.f. mine accident).

3.63.
demining accident response plan
a documented plan developed for each demining workplace which details the procedures to be applied to move victims from a demining accident site to an appropriate treatment or surgical care facility.

3.64.
demining machine
(2009)
in the context of mine action, the term refers to ..... a unit of mechanical equipment used in demining operations.

3.65.
demining incident
an incident at a demining workplace involving a mine or ERW hazard (c.f. mine incident).
3.66. 
**demining organisation**
refers to any organisation (government, NGO, military or commercial entity) responsible for implementing demining projects or tasks. The demining organisation may be a prime contractor, subcontractor, consultant or agent.

3.67. 
**demining sub-unit**
(2004) 
an element of a demining organisation, however named, which is operationally accredited to conduct one or more prescribed demining activities, such as technical surveys, manual clearance, EOD or the use of MDD teams.

3.68. 
**demining worker**
(2009) 
all employees, male and female, who work at a demining worksite.

3.69. 
**demining worksite**
(2004) 
any workplace where demining activities are being undertaken.

Note: Demining worksites include workplaces where survey, clearance and EOD activities are undertaken including centralised disposal sites used for the destruction of mines and ERW identified and removed during clearance operations.

Note: Survey, in relation to a demining worksite includes general survey undertaken to identify mine and ERW hazards and hazardous areas.

3.70. 
**demolition (dml)**
destruction of structures, facilities or material by use of fire, water, explosives, mechanical or other means (AAP 6).

3.71. 
**demolition ground**
(2004) 
an area authorised for the destruction of munitions and explosives by detonation.

3.72. 
**destroy (destruction) in situ**
blow in situ.
(2009)the destruction of any item of ordnance by explosives without moving the item from where it was found, normally by detonating an explosive charge alongside.

3.73. 
**destruction**
(2004) 
the process of final conversion of munitions and explosives into an inert state whereby they can no longer function as designed.

3.74. 
**destruction organisation**
(2004) 
refers to any organisation (government, military or commercial entity) responsible for implementing stockpile destruction projects or tasks. The destruction organisation may be a prime contractor, subcontractor, consultant or agent.
3.75. detection
(2004)
in the context of humanitarian demining, the term refers to… the discovery by any means of the presence of mines or ERW.

3.76. detonator
a device containing a sensitive explosive intended to produce a detonation wave. [AAP-6]

3.77. disarm
the act of making a mine or explosive ordnance safe by removing the fuze or igniter. The procedure normally removes one or more links from the firing chain.

3.78. dispenser
(2009)
a container or device which is used to carry and release submunitions (AAP-)

3.79. disposal/destruction site
(2009)
an area authorised for the destruction of munitions and explosives by detonation and/or burning.

3.80. DNT (Dinitrotolulene)
(2005)
a residual product of TNT manufacture, and a breakdown product of TNT decay. It is normally present in varying amounts in any explosive device containing TNT. The vapour pressure of DNT is much higher than that of TNT, and under some conditions it may be easier to detect DNT than TNT.

3.81. drill munition
(2005)
an inert replica of a munition specifically manufactured for drill, display or instructional purposes.

3.82. durability
the ability of an item or material to continue to perform its required function under stated conditions as time progresses. Durability is a function of reliability with time.

Note: Durability involves resistance to degradation, corrosion, cracking, de-lamination, thermal shock, wear and the effects of foreign object damage.

[ E ]

3.83. efficiency
(2009)
in the context of mine action evaluation, the term refers to… a measure of how economically resources/inputs (funds, expertise, time, etc.) are converted to results (outputs and outcomes.
3.84. effectiveness
(2009)
in the context of mine action evaluation, the term refers to... the extent to which the intervention's objectives were achieved, or are expected to be achieved, taking into account their relative importance.

3.85. ensemble
the group of protective clothing designed to be worn as a protective measure.

3.86. environment
surroundings in which an organisation operates, including air, water, land, natural resources, flora, fauna, humans, and their interrelation. [ISO 14001:2004 (E)]

3.87. environmental aspects
element of an organisation’s activities or products or services that can interact with the environment. [ISO 14001:2004 (E)]

3.88. environmental factors
factors relating to the environment and that influence the transportation of odour from the mine, the detection of the target odour or the ability of people and dogs to work safety and effectively. (i.e. Wind, rain, temperature, humidity, altitude, sun and vegetation). (Definition for MDD use only).

3.89. environmental impact
(2006)
any change to the environment, whether adverse of beneficial, wholly or partly resulting from an organisation's environmental aspects. [ISO 14001:2004 (E)]

3.90. Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)
(2007)
in the context of mine action, the term refers to .....the process of identifying, predicting, evaluating and mitigating the biophysical, social, and other relevant environmental effects of mine action activities prior to decisions being taken and commitments made.

3.91. Environmental Management System (EMS)
(2006)
part of an organisation’s management system used to develop and implement its environmental policy and manage its environmental aspects. [ISO 14001:2004 (E)]

3.92. environmental policy
(2006)
overall intentions and direction of an organisation related to its environmental performance as formally expressed by top management. [ISO 14001:2004 (E)]

3.93. equipment
a physical, mechanical, electrical and/or electronic system which is used to enhance human activities, procedures and practices.
3.94. European Normalisation (EN) (2005) See CEN (Committee European Normalisation)

3.95. evaluation (2009) the analysis of a result or a series of results to establish the quantitative and qualitative effectiveness and worth of software, a component, equipment or system, within the environment in which it will operate.

Note: Definition when used in context of equipment test and evaluation.

an assessment, as systematic and objective as possible, of an on-going or completed project, programme or policy, its design, implementation and results. The aim is to determine the relevance and fulfilment of objectives, developmental efficiency, effectiveness, impact and sustainability. An evaluation should provide information that is credible and useful, enabling the incorporation of lessons learned into the decision-making process of both recipients and donors.


a process that attempts to determine as systematically and objectively as possible the merit or value of an intervention.

Note: The word ‘objectively’ indicates the need to achieve a balanced analysis, recognising bias and reconciling perspectives of different stakeholders (all those interested in, and affected by programmes, including both male and female beneficiaries as primary stakeholders) through use of different sources and methods.

Note: Evaluation is considered to be a strategic exercise.

Note: Definition when used in relation to programmes. (UNICEF Policy and Programming Manual)

3.96. excavation (2009) procedures employed in the process of demining whereby ground is removed to detect or confirm the presence of sub-surface mines and/or ERW.

3.97. explosive materials components or ancillary items used by demining organisations which contain some explosives, or behave in an explosive manner, such as detonators and primers.

3.98. Explosive Ordnance (EO) all munitions containing explosives, nuclear fission or fusion materials and biological and chemical agents. This includes bombs and warheads; guided and ballistic missiles; artillery, mortar, rocket and small arms ammunition; all mines, torpedoes and depth charges; pyrotechnics; clusters and dispensers; cartridge and propellant actuated devices; electro-explosive devices; clandestine and improvised explosive devices; and all similar or related items or components explosive in nature. [AAP-6]

3.99. Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) (2005) the detection, identification, evaluation, render safe, recovery and disposal of EO. EOD may be undertaken:
a) as a routine part of mine clearance operations, upon discovery of ERW;

b) to dispose of ERW discovered outside hazardous areas, (this may be a single item of ERW, or a larger number inside a specific area); or

c) to dispose of EO which has become hazardous by deterioration, damage or attempted destruction.

3.100. Explosive Remnants of War (ERW)
(2005)
Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) and Abandoned Explosive Ordnance (AXO). (CCW protocol V).

3.101. explosives
a substance or mixture of substances which, under external influences, is capable of rapidly releasing energy in the form of gases and heat. [AAP-6]

3.102. explosive submunition
(2009)
a conventional munition that in order to perform its task is dispersed or released by a cluster munition and is designed to function by detonating an explosive charge prior to, on or after impact. (CCM)

3.103. failed cluster munition
(2009)
a cluster munition that has been fired, dropped, launched, projected or otherwise delivered and which should have dispersed or released its explosive submunitions but failed to do so. (CCM)

3.104. failure
an event in which any system, equipment, components or sub-components does not perform as previously specified.

Note: Failures may be classified as to cause, degree, relevance, dependence and responsibility.

3.105. Feasibility Study (FS)
a study to establish the feasibility of the Statement of Tasks and Outputs (STO) in terms of technology, costs and time.

3.106. field editor
an individual whose main responsibility is to ensure accuracy, consistency, readability and clarity of the information gathered by enumerators in the field.

Note: The field editor must work closely with the survey teams in order to ensure that the review process is done shortly after the survey has been completed and while the teams are in the same general vicinity as the community being reviewed.

3.107. fixed price contract
(2004)
a contract in which a **contractor** is paid a fixed price to undertake a specific scope of work or to provide a specific number of assets (demining teams, MDD teams or mechanical equipment) over an agreed time-frame. The fixed price covers the whole of the works, supplies and services to be provided by the contractor.

### 3.108. force majeure
(2009)
a common clause in **contracts** which essentially frees both parties from liability or obligation when an extraordinary event or circumstance occurs that is beyond the control of the contracting parties,

### 3.109. Full Development (FD)
the procedure containing all of the engineering processes, **trials** and **tests** necessary to establish the final detailed design to enable full production to commence.

### 3.110. fuze
a device which initiates an **explosive** train. [AAP-6]

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#### 3.111. gender analysis
(2009)
the study of the differences in men's and women's roles as well as their different access to and control over resources. It is a tool for improving the understanding of how the differences between men and women influence their opportunities and problems and can identify the challenges to participation in development.

#### 3.112. gender equality
(2009)
the equal rights, responsibilities and opportunities of men and women and implies that the interests, priorities and needs of both are taken into consideration equally.

#### 3.113. gender mainstreaming (or mainstreaming a gender perspective)
(2009)
refers to the process of assessing the different implications for women and men of any planned action, including legislation, policies or programmes, in all areas and at all levels. It is a strategy for making the concerns and experiences of both women and men an integral dimension of the design, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of policies and programmes in all political, economic and societal spheres so that women and men benefit equally and inequality is not perpetuated. (UNMAT 2005)

#### 3.114. gender sensitive
(2009)
A gender sensitive approach to mine action takes into consideration the different impact landmines have on men, women, boys and girls. The ultimate aim of gender sensitive mine action is to conduct mine action in such a way that respects and is based on gender equality (see gender equality).

#### 3.115. General Mine Action Assessment (GMAA)
(2003)
the continuous process by which a comprehensive inventory can be obtained of all reported
and/or suspected locations of mine or ERW contamination, the quantities and types of
explosive hazards, and information on local soil characteristics, vegetation and climate; and
assessment of the scale and impact of the landmine and ERW problem on the individual,
community and country.

3.116. generic requirement
the performance and environmental characteristics which will be common to all planned uses of
the proposed equipment.

3.117. georeferencing
a process whereby graphic coordinates or other indirect referencing codes are added to tabular
data in order to allow simple comparison, compilation and analysis of disparate datasets based
on common locations.

3.118. GIS
Geographical (or Geospatial) Information System
an organised collection of computer hardware, software, geographic data, and personnel
designed to efficiently capture, store, update, manipulate, analyse, and display all forms of
geographically referenced information.

Note: GIS allows a user to graphically view multiple layers of data based on their geographic
distribution and association. GIS incorporates powerful tools to analyse the relationships
between various layers of information.

3.119. ground preparation
(2009)
preparing of ground in a confirmed or defined hazardous area by mechanical means by
reducing or removing obstacles to clearance e.g. tripwires, vegetation, metal contamination and
hard soil to make subsequent clearance operations more efficient. Ground preparation may or
may not involve the detonation, destruction or removal of landmines.

3.120. group interview
(2009)
the conduct of a formal interview with a group of key informants, both men and women, in an
impacted community on what to survey within that community.

3.121. handover
(2009)
the process by which the beneficiary (for example, the NMAA on behalf of the local community
or land user) receives and accepts land which was previously suspected of containing an
explosive hazard but which has subsequently had this suspicion removed, or reduced to a
tolerable level, either through non-technical survey, technical survey or clearance.

3.122. handover certificate
(2009)
documentation used to record the handover of land which was previously suspected of
containing an explosive hazard but which has subsequently had this suspicion removed or
reduced to a tolerable level.
3.123. hardware equipment with physical size and mass; as opposed to software.

3.124. harm physical injury or damage to the health of people, or damage to property or the environment. [ISO Guide 51:1999(E)]


3.126. hazard potential source of harm. [ISO Guide 51:1999(E)]

3.127. hazard (ous) area contaminated area (2009) a generic term for an area perceived to have mines and, or ERW.

3.128. hazard marker object(s), other than hazard signs, used to identify the limits of a mine and ERW hazard area. Hazard markers shall conform to the specification established by the NMAA.

3.129. hazard marking system a combination of measures (signs and barriers) designed to provide the public with warning and protection from mine and ERW hazards. The system may include the use of signs or markers, or the erection of physical barriers.

3.130. hazard sign a permanent, manufactured sign which, when placed as part of a marking system, is designed to provide warning to the public of the presence of mines or ERW.

3.131. hazardous situation (2004) circumstance in which people, property or the environment are exposed to one or more hazards. [ISO Guide 51:1999(E)].

3.132. health (2004) in relation to work, indicates not merely the absence of disease or infirmity, it also includes the physical and mental elements affecting health, which are directly related to safety and hygiene at work. [ILO C155]

3.133. high risk area (2009) an identifiable area that is typically mined in a Confirmed Hazardous Area, or an area that is described by a non-technical survey as being more likely to be mined, or contain ERW than others.
3.134. 
**Home Made Explosive**  
(2014)  
a combination of commercially available ingredients combined to create an explosive substance.

3.135. 
**humanitarian demining**  
see demining. (In IMAS standards and guides, the terms demining and humanitarian demining are interchangeable).

3.136. 
**International Ammunition Technical Guidelines (IATG)**  
(2012)  
Note: IATG are referred to as appropriate within IMAS and are of relevance to demining organizations for the storage, transport and logistics disposal of ammunition. IATG also provide guidance on the EOD clearance of ammunition storage areas after explosion.

3.137. 
**Improvised Explosive Device (IED)**  
(2013)  
a device placed or fabricated in an improvised manner incorporating explosive material, destructive, lethal, noxious, incendiary, pyrotechnic materials or chemicals designed to destroy, disfigure, distract or harass. They may incorporate military stores, but are normally devised from non-military components (IATG 01.40:2011).

3.138. 
**IED Disposal (IEDD)**  
(2014)  
the location, identification, rendering safe and final disposal of IEDs

3.139. 
**impact**  
(2009)  
in the context of mine action, the term refers to... the level of social and economic suffering experienced by the community resulting from the harm or risk of harm caused by mine and ERW hazards and hazardous areas.

Note: **Impact** is a product of:

a) the presence of mine/ERW hazards in the community;

b) *intolerable risk* associated with the use of infrastructure such as roads, markets etc;

c) intolerable risk associated with livelihood activities such as use of agricultural land, water sources etc; and

d) number of victims of mine and ERW incidents within the last two years.

Note: **in the context of mine action evaluation, the term refers to .....** the positive and negative, primary and secondary long-term effects produced by an intervention, directly or indirectly, intended or unintended. The term ‘final outcome’ may be substituted.
3.140. impact free
(2004)
a term applied to countries that may still have mines but where the mined areas are not having a negative socio-economic impact on communities, e.g. the mines may be in remote, marked and unpopulated areas.

Note: In most cases, “impact free” should be considered in a static sense (i.e. impact free at this point in time) because changes in socio-economic patterns may bring people into contact with mines/ERW that previously had no impact.

3.141. impact survey
(2009)
an assessment of the socio-economic impact caused by the actual or perceived presence of mines and ERW, in order to assist the planning and prioritisation of mine action programmes and projects.

3.142. IMSMA (Information Management System for Mine Action)
(2007)
Note: This is the United Nation’s preferred information system for the management of critical data in UN-supported field programmes. IMSMA provides users with support for data collection, data storage, reporting, information analysis and project management activities. Its primary use is by the staffs of MACs at national and regional level, however the system is also deployed in support of the implementers of mine action projects and demining organizations at all levels.

3.143. incident
(2004)
an event that gives rise to an accident or has the potential to lead to an accident.

3.144. inert
a munition that contains no explosive, pyrotechnic, lachrymatory, radioactive, chemical, biological or other toxic components or substances.

Note: An inert munition differs from a drill munition in that it has not necessarily been specifically manufactured for instructional purposes. The inert state of the munition may have resulted from a render safe procedure or other process to remove all hazardous components and substances. It also refers to the state of the munition during manufacture prior to the filling or fitting of explosive or hazardous components and substances.

3.145. informal demining
(2009)
self-supporting mine and/or ERW clearance and hazardous area marking, normally undertaken by local inhabitants, on their own behalf or the behalf of their immediate community. Often described as a self-help initiative or spontaneous demining, informal demining usually sits outside or in parallel with formal mine action structures, such as demining undertaken by militaries or humanitarian demining such as is supported by the UN, international and national non-governmental organisations, private enterprise and governments, among others.

Note: Informal demining is sometimes referred to as “village demining”.

3.146. inspection
(2004)
the observation, measurement, examination, testing, evaluation or gauging of one or more components of a product or service and comparing these with specified requirements to determine conformity.

3.147. inspection body
an organisation which conducts post-clearance QC on behalf of the NMAA by applying random sampling procedures, or other appropriate and agreed methods of inspection.

3.148. insurance
(2009)
an arrangement for financial compensation in the event of damage to or loss of (property, life of a person) to an individual or organization to predetermined levels and due to specific listed circumstances.

Note: Insurance should include appropriate medical, death and disability coverage for all personnel as well as third party liability coverage.

Note: Such insurance need not necessarily have to be arranged through an insurance broker or company, unless otherwise required by contractual arrangements. Self-insurance (underwriting) schemes, provided they are formally constituted on accepted actuarial principles and provide adequate cover, may be an acceptable alternative.

3.149. integrated mine action and development (linking mine action and development)
(2009)
(1) Efforts to enhance the contribution that mine action makes to socio-economic development and poverty reduction, particularly in contexts where contamination by landmines and ERW impedes post-conflict reconstruction and development. (2) Efforts by development actors, working with mine action organizations, to actively promote the development of mine-affected communities and regions.

3.150. intended use (land)
use of land following demining operations.

Note: Intended use: use of a product, process or service in accordance with information provided by the supplier. [ISO Guide 51:1999(E)]

Note: Intended land use should be included in the clearance task specification and clearance task handover documentation.

3.151. interchangeability
in the context of mine action equipment procurement, the term refers to..... a condition which exists when two or more items of equipment possess such functional and physical characteristics as to be equivalent in performance and durability, and are capable of being exchanged for one another without alteration of the items themselves, or of adjoining items, except for adjustment, and without selection for fit and performance.

3.152. intermediate point
(2004)
survey markers used between turning points that are more than 50m apart.

3.153. International Mine Action Standards (IMAS)
(2009)
documents developed by the UN on behalf of the international community, which aim to improve safety, quality and efficiency in mine action by providing guidance, by establishing principles and, in some cases, by defining international requirements and specifications.
Note: They provide a frame of reference which encourages, and in some cases requires, the sponsors and managers of mine action programmes and projects to achieve and demonstrate agreed levels of effectiveness and safety.

Note: They provide a common language, and recommend the formats and rules for handling data which enable the free exchange of important information; this information exchange benefits other programmes and projects, and assists the mobilisation, prioritisation and management of resources.

3.154. International Organisation for Standardization (ISO)

Note: A worldwide federation of national bodies from over 130 countries. Its work results in international agreements which are published as ISO standards and guides. ISO is a NGO and the standards it develops are voluntary, although some (mainly those concerned with health, safety and environmental aspects) have been adopted by many countries as part of their regulatory framework. ISO deals with the full spectrum of human activities and many of the tasks and processes which contribute to mine action have a relevant standard. A list of ISO standards and guides is given in the ISO Catalogue [www.iso.ch/infoe/catinfo/html].

Note: The revised mine action standards have been developed to be compatible with ISO standards and guides. Adopting the ISO format and language provides some significant advantages including consistency of layout, use of internationally recognised terminology, and a greater acceptance by international, national and regional organisations who are accustomed to the ISO series of standards and guides.

3.155. Intrusive machine

(2007) 
in the context of mine action, the term refers to ..... a machine designed to work inside a hazardous area, while the term 'non-intrusive machine' refers to those designed to operate from a cleared or known safe area, with its mechanical tool working in the hazardous area.

3.156. Investment appraisal

the process of defining the objectives of expenditure, identifying the alternative ways of achieving those objectives and assessing which way is likely to give best value for money.

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3.157. Key informants

(2009)
all men, women and children who have relatively good knowledge on the hazardous areas in and around their community.

Note: Key informants may include, but are not limited to, community leaders, mine-affected individuals, schoolteachers, religious leaders etc.

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3.158. Lachrymatory ammunition

Lachrymatory ammunition contains chemical compounds that are designed to incapacitate by causing short-term tears or inflammation of the eyes.

3.159. Land release

(2013) 
in the context of mine action, the term describes the process of applying all reasonable effort to identify, define, and remove all presence and suspicion of mines/ERW through non-technical
survey, technical survey and/or clearance. The criteria for “all reasonable effort” shall be defined by the NMAA.

3.160. letter of agreement
(2004)
a simpler form of contract that states the essentials of the agreement without including all the detail. It may be used as a precursor to a formal contract or, in some cases, may be used in place of a more formal contract.

3.161. licence
(2004)
in the context of mine action, the term refers to…. a certificate issued by a NMAA in relation to the capacity or capability of a facility, for example a demolition site may be licensed for certain explosive limits and explosive storage areas may be licensed for certain types and quantities of munitions. Demining organisations receive organisational or operational accreditation from an accreditation body authorised by a NMAA.

3.162. Linking Mine Action with Development (LMAD)
(2009)
see integrated mine action and development.

3.163. local requirement
the performance and characteristics of the proposed equipment which reflect local environmental conditions, operating procedures and operational requirements.

3.164. logistic disposal
(2004)
in the context of mine action, the term refers to …. the removal of munitions and explosives from a stockpile utilising a variety of methods, (that may not necessarily involve destruction). Logistic disposal may or may not require the use of RSP.

3.165. lot size
in the context of humanitarian demining, the term refers to …. an area (comprising a number of 1.0m\(^2\) units of cleared land) offered for inspection.

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3.166. magazine
(2013)
In the context of mine action, the term “magazine” refers to any building, structure, or container approved for the storage of explosive materials c.f. explosive storehouse (IATG 01.40).

3.167. maintainability
(2009)
the ability of an equipment, component or sub-component under stated conditions of use, to be retained or restored to a specific condition, when maintenance is performed by staff having specific skill levels, under stated conditions and using prescribed procedures and resources.
3.168. **marking**
emplacement of a measure or combination of measures to identify the position of a **hazard** or the boundary of a **hazardous area**. This may include the use of signs, paint marks etc, or the erection of physical barriers.

3.169. **marking system**
an agreed convention for the **marking** of **hazards** or **hazardous areas**.

3.170. **mechanical demining operations**
(2007)
refers to the use of **machines** in demining operations and may involve a single **machine** employing one **mechanical tool**, a single machine employing a variety of tools or a number of machines employing a variety of tools.

3.171. **mechanical tools**
(2007)
the working component(s) attached to a **machine**, such as flails, tillers, sifters, rollers, excavators, ploughs, magnets etc. A single machine may utilise a number of different **tools**, which may be fixed or interchangeable.

3.172. **medical support staff**
(2009)
men and women employees of **demining organisations** designated, trained and equipped to provide first aid and further medical treatment of **demining** employees injured as a result of an **accident**.

3.173. **Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)**
a document used to facilitate a situation or operation when it is not the intention to create formal rights and obligations in international law but to express commitments of importance in a non-binding form.

3.174. **mine munition**
designed to be placed under, on or near the ground or other surface area and to be exploded by the presence, proximity or contact of a person or a vehicle. [APMBC]

3.175. **mine accident**
an accident away from the **demining workplace** involving a **mine** or **ERW** hazard (c.f. **demining accident**).

3.176. **mine action**
(2009)
activities which aim to reduce the social, economic and environmental **impact** of **mines**, and **ERW** including **unexploded sub-munitions**.

**Note:** Mine action is not just about demining; it is also about people and societies, and how they are affected by landmine and ERW contamination. The objective of mine action is to reduce the risk from landmines and ERW to a level where people can live safely; in which economic, social and health development can occur free from the constraints imposed by landmine and ERW contamination, and in which the victims’ different needs can be addressed. Mine action comprises five complementary groups of activities:
a) MRE;

b) humanitarian demining, i.e. mine and ERW survey, mapping, marking and clearance;

c) victim assistance, including rehabilitation and reintegration;

d) stockpile destruction; and

e) advocacy against the use of APM.

Note: A number of other enabling activities are required to support these five components of mine action, including: assessment and planning, the mobilisation and prioritisation of resources, information management, human skills development and management training, QM and the application of effective, appropriate and safe equipment.

3.177.  
Mine Action Centre (MAC)  
Mine Action Coordination Centre (MACC)  
(2009)  
an organisation that, on behalf of the National Mine Action Authority where it exists, typically is responsible for planning, coordination, overseeing and in some cases implementation of mine action projects. For national mine action programmes, the MAC/MACC usually acts as the operational office of the NMAA.

3.178.  
Mine Action Coordination Centre (MACC)  
see Mine Action Centre (MAC)

3.179.  
mine action organisation  
(2009)  
refers to any organisation (government, military, commercial or NGO/civil society) responsible for implementing mine action projects or tasks. The mine action organisation may be a prime contractor, subcontractor, consultant or agent.

3.180.  
mine awareness  
(2004)  
see Mine Risk Education (MRE).

3.181.  
mine clearance  
the clearance of mines and ERW from a specified area to a predefined standard.

3.182.  
Mine Detection Dog(s) (MDD)  
a dog trained and employed to detect mines, ERW and other explosive devices.

3.183.  
mine free  
(2004)  
a term applied to an area that has been certified as clear of mines to a specified depth. Also applied to a country or an area that has not had a mine contamination problem.

3.184.  
mine incident  
an incident away from the demining workplace involving a mine or ERW hazard (c.f. demining incident).
the probability and severity of physical injury to people, property or the environment caused by the unintentional detonation of a mine or ERW. [Adapted from ISO Guide 51:1999(E)]

activities which seek to reduce the risk of injury from mines/ERW by raising awareness of men, women, and children in accordance with their different vulnerabilities, roles and needs, and promoting behavioural change including public information dissemination, education and training, and community mine action liaison.

those actions which lessen the probability and/or severity of physical injury to people, property or the environment. [Adapted from ISO Guide 51:1999(E)] Mine risk reduction can be achieved by physical measures such as clearance, fencing or marking, or through behavioural changes brought about by MRE.

3.188. mine sign
a sign which, when placed as part of a marking system, is designed to provide warning to the public of the presence of mines.

3.189. mined area
an area which is dangerous due to the presence or suspected presence of mines. [APMBC]

3.190. minefield
an area of ground containing mines laid with or without a pattern. [AAP-6]

3.191. monitoring (2009)
refers to a continuing function that uses systematic collection of data on specified indicators to provide management and the main stakeholders of an on-going project, programme or policy with indications of the extent of progress and achievement of objectives, and progress in the use of allocated funds. (OECD/DAC)

3.192. monitoring body
an organisation, normally an element of the NMAA, responsible for management and implementation of the national monitoring system.

3.193. MRE organisation (2009)
any organisation, including governmental, non-governmental, civil society organisations (e.g. women’s organisations, youth organisations, red cross and red crescent societies etc.), commercial entities and military personnel (including peace-keeping forces), which is responsible for implementing MRE projects or tasks. The MRE organisation may be a prime contractor, subcontractor, consultant or agent. The term 'MRE sub-unit' refers to an element of an organisation, however named, that is accredited to conduct one or more prescribed MRE activities such as a public information project, a schools based education project or a community mine action liaison project evaluation.
3.194. MRE partner
(2004)
an institution or agent within the mine-affected community who is able to work with an MRE organisation to facilitate, establish and implement an MRE project.

3.195. munition
a complete device charged with explosives, propellants, pyrotechnics, initiating composition, or nuclear, biological or chemical material for use in military operations, including demolitions. [AAP-6]

Note: In common usage, ‘munitions’ (plural) can be military weapons, ammunition and equipment.

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3.196. national authority
(2004)
in the context of stockpile destruction the term refers to ..... the government department(s), organisation(s) or institution(s) in each country charged with the regulation, management and coordination of stockpile destruction.

3.197. National Mine Action Authority (NMAA)
(2009)
the government entity, often an inter-ministerial committee, in a mine-affected country charged with the responsibility for the regulation, management and coordination of mine action.

Note: In the absence of a NMAA, it may be necessary and appropriate for the UN, or some other recognised international body, to assume some or all of the responsibilities, and fulfil some or all the functions, of a MAC or, less frequently, an NMAA.

3.198. neutralise
the act of replacing safety devices such as pins or rods into an explosive item to prevent the fuze or igniter from functioning.

Note: It does not make an item completely safe as removal of the safety devices will immediately make the item active again (c.f. disarm).

Note: A mine is said to be neutralised when it has been rendered, by external means, incapable of firing on passage of a target, although it may remain dangerous to handle. [AAP-6]

3.199. non-sparking material
(2004)
material that will not produce a spark when struck with tools, rocks, or when the material itself strikes hard surfaces.

3.200. Non-Technical Survey
(2013)
refers to the collection and analysis of data, without the use of technical interventions, about the presence, type, distribution and surrounding environment of mine/ERW contamination, in order to define better where mine/ERW contamination is present, and where it is not, and to support land release prioritisation and decision-making processes through the provision of evidence.
3.201. 
Operational Analysis (OA)
operational research
(2009)
a field of research that applies scientifically based quantitative and qualitative analysis to assist management decisions relating to operations.

operational research
see Operational Analysis (OA)

3.203. 
output
(2009)
in the context of mine action evaluation, the term refers to ..... the products, capital goods and services which result from a mine action intervention. Outputs may also include changes resulting from the intervention which are relevant to the achievement of outcomes (such as the development of local capacities).

3.204. 
outcome
(2009)
in the context of mine action evaluation, the term refers to ..... the likely or achieved short-term and medium-term effects of an intervention’s outputs. Outcomes are related to the ‘effectiveness’ of an intervention.

3.205. 
particle board
(2009)
a composition board made of small pieces of wood, bonded together frequently used as profile boards for testing soil penetration by demining machines.

3.206. 
permanent marking system
a marking system having an indefinite period of use, usually requiring maintenance (c.f. temporary marking system).

3.207. 
Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
all equipment and clothing designed to provide protection, which is intended to be worn or held by an employee at work and which protects him/her against one or more risks to his/her safety or health.

3.208. 
pilot test
a process ahead of the commencement of wide range data collection to ensure that all survey project elements, such as team deployment, data collection, reporting and administration, are functioning as planned.

3.209. 
policy
(2009)
defines the purpose and goals of an organisation, and articulates the rules, standards and principles of action that govern the way in which the organisation aims to achieve these goals.
surveys to assess the effectiveness and efficiency of mine action planning, priority setting, and implementation processes, aiming to enhance the productivity and effectiveness of mine action, monitor post-clearance land use, ensure priority-setting processes are clear, transparent and carried out correctly, and help identify problems faced by communities in transforming the outputs of mine action (e.g. cleared land) into sustainable developmental outcomes.

3.211. post clearance inspection (2004)
in the context of humanitarian demining, the term refers to ..... the process of measuring, examining, testing or otherwise comparing a sample of cleared land against the clearance requirements.

3.212. Post Design Services (PDS)
further services such as on-going development and modification of equipment, subsequent to the acceptance of the equipment.

Note: PDS may be used after the initial contract in order to update the equipment in response to changing circumstances and requirements.

the planning, design and engineering work necessary to explore areas of technical uncertainty and to provide detailed estimates of duration and cost before the decision to proceed to full development is made.

Note: During PD a relatively flexible relationship should exist between the technical specification and the operational requirements.

3.214. Pressure Plate IED (PPIED) (2014)
an IED utilising a triggering device that occurs when an object is used to complete a circuit when pressure is applied or removed in a predetermined direction. Many pressure initiated IEDs explode when pressure plates are compressed under the weight of passing vehicles or foot soldiers.

3.215. preliminary study
a study to give an indication of the practicability of the idea in terms of technological possibilities and cost.

3.216. pre-test
a process at the start of a survey to validate clarity and appropriateness of the selected survey instrument.

3.217. primer
a self-contained munition which is fitted into a cartridge case or firing mechanism and provides the means of igniting the propellant charge.
3.218. principal
(2004)
the entity that contracts another entity to undertake the required mine action activity. The principal may be a donor, an NMAA, an organisation acting on behalf of the NMAA, a commercial organisation or any entity that desires mine action to be conducted and engages a mine action organisation to do so.

3.219. priority-setting
(2009)
the process of deciding which tasks should be undertaken first, given limited resources and time. Priority-setting applies to all aspects of mine-action (MRE, land release stockpile destruction, and advocacy).

3.220. procurement
the process of research, development and production or purchase which leads to an equipment being accepted as suitable for use, and continues with the provision of spares and Post Design Services (PDS) throughout the life of the equipment.

3.221. prodding
a procedure employed in the process of demining whereby ground is probed to detect the presence of sub-surface mines and/or ERW (c.f. sapping).

3.222. programme
(2009)
a group of projects or activities which are managed in a co-ordinated way to deliver benefits that would not be possible or as cost effective were the projects and/or contracts managed independently.

3.223. project
(2004)
an endeavour in which human, material and financial resources are organised to undertake a unique scope of work, of given specification, within constraints of cost and time, so as to achieve beneficial change defined by quantitative and qualitative objectives.

3.224. project management
(2004)
the process by which a project is brought to a conclusion.

3.225. propellant
deflagrating explosive used for propulsion.

a substance that is used to move an object by applying a motive force. This may or may not involve some form of chemical reaction. It may be a gas, liquid, or, before the chemical reaction, a solid. Chemical propellants are most usually used to project ammunition warheads.

a substance on its own or in a mixture with other substances that can be used for the chemical generation of gases at the controlled rates required for propulsive purposes.

NOTE 1 Propellants can also be used as components of gas generators or other items.
3.226. **protective measure**
means used to reduce **risk**. [ISO Guide 51:1999(E)]

3.227. **Protocol V**
(2007)
**Protocol V to the CCW on Explosive Remnants of War**

*Note:* Under Protocol V, States Parties and parties to armed conflict are required to take action to clear, remove or destroy ERW (Art. 3), and record, retain and transmit information related to the use or abandonment of explosive ordnances (Art. 4). They are also obligated to take all feasible precautions for the protection of civilians (Art. 5) and humanitarian missions and organizations (Art. 6). States Parties in a position to do so should provide cooperation and assistance for marking, clearance, removal, destruction, and victim assistance, among other things (Art. 7 & 8). Protocol V entered into force on 12 November 2006.

3.228. **prototype**
an equipment, component or sub-component built as nearly as possible to the final design and build standard.

*Note:* Prototypes are used to aid development of the final production standard and/or to demonstrate performance or specification compliance.

3.229. **proximity verification**
an activity to observe mine/ERW hazard areas reported during the community interview.

*Note:* Observation must be done from a safe area and in accordance with the relevant protocols.

3.230. **public education**
(2009)
the process aimed at raising general awareness of the hazards of mines and ERW; through public information, formal and non-formal education systems.

*Note:* Public education is a mass mobilisation approach that delivers information on mine and ERW hazards. It may take the form of formal or non-formal education and may use mass media techniques. There may be a difference in access to education between men, women, boys and girls, which may affect the outreach of the mine awareness message and may call for the adoption of different educational means, message and material.

*Note:* In an emergency situation, due to time constraints and the lack of available data, it is the most practical means of communicating safety information. In other situations it can support community liaison.

3.231. **public information dissemination**
(2004)
information concerning the mine and ERW situation, used to inform or update men, women and children. Such information may focus on particular issues, such as complying with mine ban legislation, or may be used to raise public support for the mine action programme. Such projects usually include risk reduction messages, but may also be used to reflect national mine action policy.

3.232. **quality**
degree to which a set of inherent characteristics fulfils requirements. [ISO 9000:2000]
3.233. 
Quality Assurance (QA) 
(2005) 
part of QM focused on providing confidence that quality requirements will be fulfilled. [ISO 9000:2000] 

Note: The purpose of QA in humanitarian demining is to confirm that management practices and operational procedures for demining are appropriate, are being applied, and will achieve the stated requirement in a safe, effective and efficient manner. Internal QA will be conducted by demining organisations themselves, but external inspections by an external monitoring body should also be conducted.

3.234. 
Quality Control (QC) 
part of QM focused on fulfilling quality requirements. [ISO 9000:2000] 

Note: QC relates to the inspection of a finished product. In the case of humanitarian demining, the ‘product’ is safe cleared land.

3.235. 
Quality Management (QM) 
coordinated activities to direct and control an organisation with regard to quality. [ISO 9000:2000] 

3.236. 
Radio Controlled IED (RCIED) 
(2014) 
an IED initiated electronically in a wireless method consisting of a transmitter and receiver (i.e. personal mobile radio (PMR), cell phone, cordless phone, pager, etc).

3.237. 
random sampling 
selection of samples by a process involving equal chances of selection of each item. Used as an objective or impartial means of selecting areas for test purposes.

3.238. 
raster data 
the use of an imaginary grid of cells to represent the landscape. Point features are stored as individual column/row entries in a grid; lines are identified as a set of connected cells; and areas are distinguished as all of the cells comprising a feature.

3.239. 
RDX (1, 3, 5-triazacyclohexane) 
(2005) 
RDX is another military explosive which is used extensively as an explosive in many munitions formulations. RDX is relatively insensitive; it has a high chemical stability, although lower than that of TNT. RDX is never handled pure and dry because of the danger of accidental explosion. It is used as a component in explosive mixtures, especially plastic explosives.

3.240. 
reasonably foreseeable misuse 
(2004) 
use of a product, process or service in a way not intended by the supplier, but which may result from readily predictable human behaviour. [ISO Guide 51:1999(E)]
3.241. recognition piece
(2004)
A metal piece, which is placed under test items to make them recognisable with a metal detector.

3.242. reduced land (m²)
(2013)
A defined area concluded not to contain evidence of mine/ERW contamination following the technical survey of a SHA/CHA.

3.243. reference point
landmark
a fixed point of reference some distance outside the hazardous area. It should be an easily recognised feature (such as a cross-roads or a bridge) which can be used to assist in navigating to one or more benchmarks.

Note: Internationally these are often also referred to as Geodetic Points when they refer to a pre-surveyed location such as a trig point.

3.244. Relational Database Management System (RDMS)
as opposed to a single table with numerous fields for each record entered, a RDMS uses identification codes to link multiple tables of data. The codes used establish the relationship between data tables. RDMS are very effective in managing large amounts of data and permitting detailed queries to determine the relationship among data compiled against different records.

3.245. relevance
(2009)
in the context of mine action evaluation, the term refers to...the extent to which the objectives of a project, programme or policy are consistent with beneficiary requirements, country needs, global priorities, and donor policies.

3.246. reliability
the ability of an equipment, component or sub-component to perform a required function under stated conditions for a stated period of time.

3.247. reliable (mine action) information
(2009)
information deemed acceptable by the NMAA for the conduct of demining operations.

3.248. Render Safe Procedure (RSP)
the application of special EOD methods and tools to provide for the interruption of functions or separation of essential components to prevent an unacceptable detonation.

3.249. residual risk
is the risk remaining following the application of all reasonable effort to identify, define, and remove all presence and suspicion of mines/ERW through non-technical survey, technical survey and/or clearance.
3.250. risk
combination of the probability of occurrence of harm and the severity of that harm. [ISO Guide 51:1999(E)]

3.251. risk analysis
systematic use of available information to identify hazards and to estimate the risk. [ISO Guide 51:1999(E)]

3.252. risk assessment
overall process comprising a risk analysis and a risk evaluation. [ISO Guide 51:1999(E)]

3.253. risk evaluation
process based on risk analysis to determine whether the tolerable risk has been achieved. [ISO Guide 51:1999(E)]

3.254. risk reduction
actions taken to lessen the probability, negative consequences or both, associated with a particular risk.

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3.255. safe
(2009)
the absence of risk. Normally the term tolerable risk is more appropriate and accurate.

Note: in the context of munitions, the term safe is related to the “safe position” of a fuze

3.256. safety
the reduction of risk to a tolerable level. [ISO Guide 51:1999(E)]

3.257. sample
in the context of humanitarian demining, the term refers to...... one or more 1.0m² units of land drawn at random from a lot.

3.258. sample size
in the context of humanitarian demining, the term refers to...... the number of 1.0m² units of land in the sample.

3.259. sampling
in the context of humanitarian demining, the term refers to...... a defined procedure whereby part or parts of an area of cleared land are taken, for testing, as a representation of the whole area.

3.260. sampling plan
in the context of humanitarian demining, the term refers to...... a specific plan that indicates the number of 1.0m² units of land from each lot which are to inspected (sample size or series of sample sizes) and the associated criteria for determining the acceptability of the lot (acceptance and rejection numbers).
3.261. scent
a distinctive odour.

3.262. secondary fragmentation
in an explosive event, fragmentation which was not originally part of the mine/ERW.

3.263. self-destruction mechanism
(2009)
an incorporated automatically-functioning mechanism which is in addition to the primary initiating mechanism of the munition and which secures the destruction of the munition into which it is incorporated. (CCM)

3.264. self-neutralisation
action generated by means of a device integral to a mine, which renders the mine inoperative, but not necessarily safe to handle. In landmines, this process may be reversible. [AAP-6]

3.265. sex and age disaggregated data (SADD)
(2009)
collection of data which includes details on sex and age, knowing who is affected – men or women, boys or girls - and who among them is the most at risk, and so prevents the services provided from being off target. Data on the population affected by the crisis should always be broken down by age and sex and other relevant factors such as ethnicity or religion.

3.266. specified area
in the context of humanitarian demining, the term refers to..... that area for which mine or ERW clearance activity has been contracted or agreed, as determined by the NMAA or an organisation acting on its behalf.

3.267. specified depth
in the context of humanitarian demining, the term refers to ..... the depth to which a specified area is contracted or agreed to be cleared of mine and ERW hazards, as determined by the NMAA or an organisation acting on its behalf.

3.268. Specified Quality Limit (SQL)
in the context of humanitarian demining, the term refers to .....an indication of the quality required from clearance operations.

Note: For acceptance sampling purposes, the SQL is a specified borderline between what can be considered reasonable as a process average and what cannot. It has to be attainable by the producer (demining organisation) but tolerable to the consumer (NMAA or contracting agency).

Note: In the case of mine and ERW clearance, the SQL indicates the average contamination (in terms of non-conforming items per square metre) following a lengthy and steady process run.

3.269. sponsor
the sponsor of an equipment trial is the authority requiring the trial to be carried out.

Note: This is most likely to be an international organisation, national MAC, donor or demining organisation.
3.270. **standard**
a standard is a documented agreement containing technical specifications or other precise criteria to be used consistently as rules, guidelines, or definitions of characteristics to ensure that materials, products, processes and services are fit for their purpose.

Note: **Mine action standards** aim to improve safety and efficiency in mine action by promoting the preferred procedures and practices at both headquarters and field level. To be effective, the standards should be definable, measurable, achievable and verifiable.

3.271. **Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs)**

**Standing Operating Procedures (SOPs)**

instructions which define the preferred or currently established method of conducting an operational task or activity.

Note: Their purpose is to promote recognisable and measurable degrees of discipline, uniformity, consistency and commonality within an organisation, with the aim of improving operational effectiveness and safety. SOPs should reflect local requirements and circumstances.

3.272. **Standing Operating Procedures (SOPs)**

see **Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs)**.

3.273. **Statement of Operational Need (SON)**

(2004)

the document that describes the **user's** operational needs.

Note: The SON should be prepared by the User who has identified the need, or by a **sponsor** acting on a user's behalf.

3.274. **Statement of Requirement (SOR)**

the document that provides a detailed statement of the characteristics and performance expected of the equipment, based on the preferred solution.

3.275. **Statement of Tasks and Outputs (STO)**

the document that articulates the **user's** needs in broad terms, giving the tasks of the equipment and the key characteristics, with the emphasis on the output required rather than the means of achieving it, so as to enable full consideration of alternative solutions.

3.276. **stockpile**
in the context of **mine action**, the term refers to…… a large accumulated stock of **EO**.

3.277. **stockpile destruction**

(2009)

the physical destructive procedure towards a continual reduction of the stockpile of explosive ordnance.

3.278. **submunition**

any **munition** that, to perform its task, separates from a parent munition. [AAP-6]

**mines** or munitions that form part of a **CBU**, artillery shell or missile payload.
3.279. 
survey marker  
(2004)  
a durable and long lasting marker used to assist in the management of marked and cleared land during demining operations.

3.280. 
survivor  
(2012)  
a man, or a woman or a child who has suffered harm as a result of a mine, ERW or cluster munition accident.

3.281. 
survivor assistance  
see victim assistance

3.282. 
Suspected Hazardous Area (SHA)  
(2013)  
an area where there is reasonable suspicion of mine/ERW contamination on the basis of indirect evidence of the presence of mines/ERW.

3.283. 
sustainability  
(2009)  
In the context of mine action evaluation, the term refers to...the continuation of benefits from a mine action intervention after major assistance has been completed.

3.284. 
systematic investigation  
(2013)  
a systematic process of applying technical survey in a SHA/CHA. It is typically used where there are no areas within the SHA/CHA that are more likely to contain mines/ERW, than others.

3.285. 
targeted investigation  
(2013)  
the investigation during technical survey of certain areas within a SHA/CHA that are more likely to contain mines/ERW.

3.286. 
task identification number (ID)  
a unique number used to designate a hazardous area. Task identification numbers shall be allocated by the NMAA.

3.287. 
technical survey  
(2013)  
refers to the collection and analysis of data, using appropriate technical interventions, about the presence, type, distribution and surrounding environment of mine/ERW contamination, in order to define better where mine/ERW contamination is present, and where it is not, and to support land release prioritisation and decision making processes through the provision of evidence..

3.288. 
test  
determination of one or more characteristics according to a procedure. [ISO 9000:2000]
3.289. **Test and Evaluation (T&E)**
activities associated with the testing of hardware and software.

Note: Activities include the formation and use of procedures and standards, the reduction and processing of data and the assessment and evaluation of test results and processed data against criteria such as defined standards and specifications.

3.290. **test site**
(2005)
the site at which a series of test boxes or lanes are prepared for the purpose of operational accreditation testing of MDD.

3.291. **theft resistant**
(2004)
construction designed to deter and/or delay illegal entry into facilities used for the storage of explosives.

3.292. **Time Activated IED**
(2014)
type of IED containing a switch that functions after a set time. Used widely against infrastructure targets.

3.293. **TNT (2, 4, 6 Trinitrotoluene)**
one of the most widely used military high explosives. TNT is very stable, non-hygroscopic and relatively insensitive to impact, friction, shock and electrostatic energy. TNT is the most widespread type of explosive used in mines and munitions.

3.294. **tolerable risk**
risk which is accepted in a given context based on current values of society. [ISO Guide 51:1999(E)]

3.295. **trial**
a series of tests organised in a systematic manner, the individual results of which lead to an overall evaluation of a component, equipment or system.

3.296. **triangulation**
(2009)
in the context of mine action evaluation the term refers to....the use of multiple theories, sources or types of information, or types of analysis to verify and substantiate an assessment. The sources of information may not necessarily be people but include documents, maps, photographs, satellite imagery etc.

3.297. **turning point**
(2004)
a fixed point on the ground which indicates a change in direction of the perimeter of the hazardous area. It shall be clearly marked and recorded. Buried metal objects should be used to mark all turning points for permanent future reference.
3.298. 
unexploded bomblet (2009)
an explosive bomblet that has been dispersed, released or otherwise separated from a dispenser and has failed to explode as intended. (CCM)

3.299. 
Unexploded Ordnance (UXO)
EO that has been primed, fuzed, armed or otherwise prepared for use or used. It may have been fired, dropped, launched or projected yet remains unexploded either through malfunction or design or for any other reason.

3.300. 
unexploded submunition (2009)
an explosive submunition that has been dispersed or released by, or otherwise separated from, a cluster munition and has failed to explode as intended. (CCM)

3.301. 
unit rate (2004)
the rates agreed and accepted for specific priced activity items and quantities stated in a contract.

3.302. 
the focal point within the UN system for all mine-related activities.

Note: UNMAS is the office within the UN Secretariat responsible to the international community for the development and maintenance of IMAS.

Note: UNICEF is the focal point for MRE, within the guidelines of UNMAS overall coordination.

3.303. 
user (2009)
a man or a woman or an organisation that will operate the equipment.

Note: For the purpose of mine action, the user could also be defined as ‘a composite body of informed and authoritative opinions on the needs of national commercial and NGO users, today and in the future’.

3.304. 
validation
the act of ratification that takes place after a process of verification.

3.305. 
Vehicle Borne IED (VBIED) (2014)
an IED delivered by any small ground-based vehicle (e.g., passenger vehicle, motorcycle, moped, bicycle, etc.) and/or serves as the concealment means for explosives, with an initiating device.
3.306. vector data

the use of X, Y coordinates to locate three basic types of landscape features; point, line and areas.

Note: Points (towns, incident locations etc) are represented by a single pair of X, Y coordinates.
Lines (roads, rivers etc) are represented by a series of X, Y coordinate points connected in order. Areas or polygons (lakes, boundaries etc) are represented by a set of X, Y coordinates closing on itself and implying its interior.

3.307. verification

confirmation, through the provision of objective evidence that specified requirements have been fulfilled. [ISO 9000:2000]

3.308. victim

(2012)

persons either individually or collectively who have suffered physical, emotional and psychological injury, economic loss or substantial impairment of their fundamental rights through acts or omissions related to the use of mines or the presence of ERW. Victims include directly impacted individuals, their families, and communities affected by landmines and ERW.

Note: In the context of victim assistance, the term victim may include dependants or other persons in the immediate environment of a mine/ERW casualty, hence having a broader meaning than survivor.

3.309. victim assistance

survivor assistance

(2004)

refers to all aid, relief, comfort and support provided to victims (including survivors) with the purpose of reducing the immediate and long-term medical and psychological implications of their trauma.

3.310. Victim Operated IED (VOIED)

(2014)

type of switch that is activated by the actions of an unsuspecting individual, these devices rely on the target for the device carrying out some form of action that will cause the device to function.

3.311. visitor

(2004)

for the purposes of IMAS, a person who is neither a member of the demining organisation, nor a demining worker accredited by the NMAA.

Note: In circumstances where the NMAA does not have an accreditation system the demining organisation should determine the status of non-employees.

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3.312. White Phosphorous (WP)

(2004)

a chemical smoke screening agent which burns in contact with air, (with serious anti-personnel affect if the phosphorous comes in direct contact with people).
3.313. workplace
all places where employees need to be or to go by reason of their work and which are under the direct or indirect control of the employer. [ILO R164]
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