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Release of S&EP Leaflet 19/2024 - DELEGATED ACQUISITION SAFETY RESPONSIBILITIES FOR EXECUTIVE SAFETY RESPONSIBLE ASSIGNMENT HOLDERS IN DE&S.

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Description

Since the publication of S&EP Leaflet 17/2023 in March 2023, it has been recognised that the Executive Safety Responsible (ESR) and Principal Engineer (PE) roles had not been clearly identified or defined. To ensure that the correct competence and responsibilities of these roles are captured, it was recognised that a series of Rules would have to be developed for the ESR role and a definition for the PE (including guidance), which can be adopted by each Environment/Technology Area. Furthermore, there is greater emphasis on the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Director Engineering and Safety responsibilities regarding waivers to specific Rules.

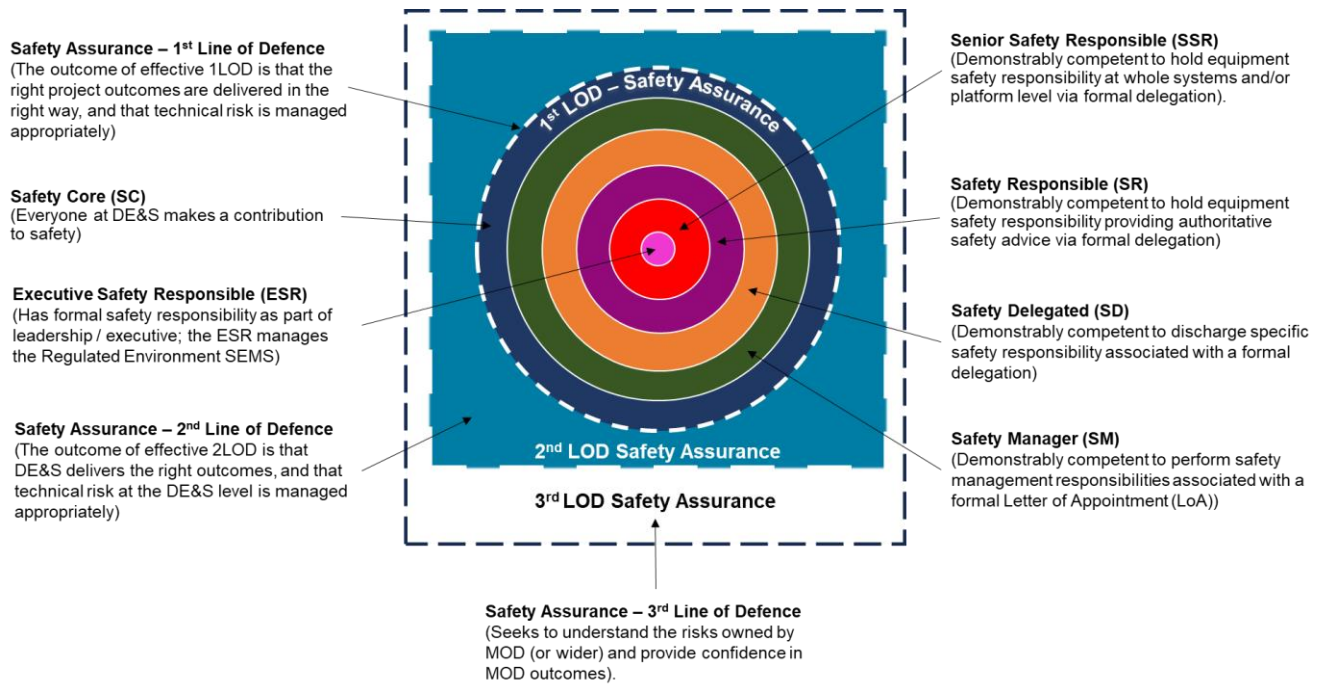
S&EP Leaflet 19/2024 defines how the ESR role is to be applied across DE&S. The rules defined in S&EP Leaflet 19/2024 shall be tailored to avoid conflict with Regulatory requirements; in all cases, Regulatory requirements are to take precedent.

S&EP Leaflet 19/2024 purely relates to Acquisition Safety and does not define Environmental Protection responsibilities.

Across DE&S the legal (statute and civil) Duty of Care is cascaded from the CEO through the People Management Model (PMM) hierarchy. Delivery of the occupational health and safety responsibilities rest with key roles within this structure. However, the responsibility for Product, System and Services design (including OHSE aspects) will remain with the Senior Safety Responsible.

Taxonomy

The Acquisition Safety Taxonomy has now been updated to reflect some of the roles and responsibilities of the ESR and the inclusion of Safety Assurance 3rd Line of Defence. These categories are defined in the figure below. The majority of DE&S assignments require no formal safety delegations and hence people deployed to them will be aligned to the Safety Core (SC) category.



Training

The specific ESR training is detailed within Annex B of S&EP Leaflet 19/2024 which has been aligned to the taxonomy above.

Actions to be taken

1. For cascading as appropriate

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