

NZSAR EVALUATORS AND SAREX SUPPORT

A SAREX is an important inter-agency training activity. Evaluation provides the sector with feedback for the Exercise Cycle.

NZSAR maintains a list of trained Evaluators available for evaluation of NZSAR-supported District SAREXs.

Exercises are evaluated by independent, experienced Evaluators to provide quality feedback that will ultimately improve planning, organisation, tasking and management of an actual event

Evaluators are an asset for planning – they **can**:

- assist with the development of Objectives and KPIs
- ensure Objectives can be evaluated – relevant evidence of performance can be observed
- assist with scenario development.

The Evaluator is NOT an assessor – they are not measuring the performance of individual people.

The Evaluator is an independent observer. Evaluation is an evidenced-based process. The Evaluator will be recording information during the exercise.

Let exercise participants know the Evaluator will be observing the exercise.

Agree with the Evaluator on their availability and timelines – these people are often busy.



Evaluator expenses need to be covered. The Evaluator may also invoice for aspects of their time and this should be clarified in advance.

Evaluation sequence:

- Set SAREX date
- Select available Evaluator
- Discuss Objectives
- Discuss Scenario
- Develop SAREX documents
- Provide the Evaluator with documents
- SAREX Evaluated
- Review Draft report
- Final report – published on NZSAR website

Draft Evaluation reports are provided to the SAREX Coordinator for their consideration and clarification before publication on the NZSAR website.