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RESP-3: Redundant and reliable means to timely receive 24-hour official tsunami alerts are in place





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Introduction

- The community must have redundant and reliable means for a 24x7 warning point to receive official tsunami threat notifications from NTWCs and/or the DMO or other official alerting authorities such as local Disaster Management Organizations
- By redundant, we mean that there should be more than one means of communication to ensure that the alert is received by the warning point if one method fails.
- Alerts must be able to reach the warning point (and the EOC if activated) by at least 3 communications channels.









Alerts must be able to reach the 24-hour warning point by at least 3 channels

For the purposes of this indicator, the 24 hour warning point and/or the EOC (if activated) must be able to <u>receive</u> tsunami alerts through at least three of the following methods:

1. Public Alert Radio Systems

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- 2. National/Territorial warning call out tree system (documented in writing with backup indicated)
- 3. Instant messaging programmes available via the Internet used by operational personnel to share critical warning decision expertise and other significant information
- 4. Amateur Radio transceiver: Potential communications directly to NTWCs or Tsunami Warning Focal Point or Disaster Management Office or other official alerting authority
- 5. Through a third-party provider: Typically received via phone, email and/or a texting service to a smartphone, tablet, or computer
 - Local Radio: Emergency Alert System



Alerts must be able to reach the 24-hour warning point by at least 3 channels continued...

- 7. Active Internet monitoring capability, including social media such as Facebook and Twitter.
- 8. Direct email from NTWCs, Tsunami Warning Focal Point and/or Disaster Management Office.
- 9. Direct fax from NTWCs, Tsunami Warning Focal Point and/or Disaster Management Office.
- 10. Text message, direct pager or social media message from TSP, NTWC, Tsunami Warning Focal Point and/or Disaster Management Office.
- 11. Coast Guard (CG) broadcasts: warning point monitoring of CG marine channels





Redundant and reliable means to receive 24x7 official tsunami alerts



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Examples of multiple methods to receive tsunami alerts in the Caribbean

St Kitts & Nevis



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Police Headquarters in Basseterre, St. Kitts:

- One dedicated computer for receiving tsunami products
- Functions as TWFP for both islands
- Email
- Telephone

Cedeño, Marcovia, Honduras

- Telephone Call
- WhatsApp
- Text Message
- Police Radio Communications System





Thank you



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