

# **Business Continuity Policy**

# **Purpose**

The purpose of this Business Continuity Policy is to establish a framework for ensuring that Boden can maintain or quickly resume critical business operations during and after a disruption, emergency, or disaster. This policy aims to minimize operational, financial, legal, and reputational impacts caused by unforeseen events.

### Scope

This policy applies to all departments, business units, employees, contractors, and third-party service providers involved in the delivery of critical business functions. It covers the preparation for, response to, and recovery from business disruptions.

#### **Statement of General Policy**

Boden is committed to:

- Ensuring the continuity of critical business functions during and after a significant disruption.
- Protecting the safety of employees, customers, and stakeholders.
- Minimizing downtime, data loss, and financial losses.
- Meeting legal, regulatory, and contractual obligations during a disruption.
- Maintaining customer confidence through timely recovery of services.

## **Objectives**

- Identify and prioritize critical business functions and processes.
- Assess potential risks and their impact on operations.
- Develop, implement, and maintain Business Continuity Disaster Recovery Plans (BCDRs).
- Conduct regular training, testing, and reviews of the BCDR Plans.
- Establish roles and responsibilities for business continuity.
- Ensure effective communication during disruptions.
- Comply with legal, regulatory, and contractual obligations.

#### Responsibilities

 Senior Management: Provide strategic direction, approve the policy, allocate resources, and review performance.

- Business Continuity Team: Develop and maintain the BCDR Plans, conduct risk assessments, coordinate exercises, and report to management.
- Department Heads: Ensure departmental BCDR plans and Business Impact Analysis are created, maintained, and tested.
- **Employees**: Be aware of the policy and their role in the BCDR Plan. Participate in training and exercises.

## **Business Continuity Planning**

Each department shall identify:

- Critical business functions.
- Recovery time objectives (RTOs) and recovery point objectives (RPOs).
- Key dependencies, including personnel, systems, suppliers, and facilities.
- Procedures for manual workarounds and alternate communication channels.
- Roles and responsibilities during a disruption.

# **Training, Testing & Communication**

- Regular training will be provided to all employees involved in executing the BCDR plan.
- The BCDR plan will be tested twice a year of following significant changes to the business.
- Lessons learned from tests or actual disruptions will be used to continually improve the BCDR plan.
- This policy and BCDR plans will be clearly communicated to all staff and clear communication channels will be maintained to keep internal and external stakeholders informed during a disruption.

### **Review**

This policy and the associated BCDR plans will be reviewed annually, or whenever significant changes occur in the organization's structure, operations, or risk environment.

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