



BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA



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1. Legislation :

- Law on Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina (BiH),
- Law on Ministries and other executive authorities of BiH,
- Law on participation of members of Armed Forces BiH, police officers, civil servants and other employees in peace support operations and other activities abroad – relating use of MCDA in International disaster assistance operations,
- Law on defence of BiH – Armed Forces support to civil structures in disasters.
- Law on Protection and Rescue at the State Level – in preparation

2. Mission:

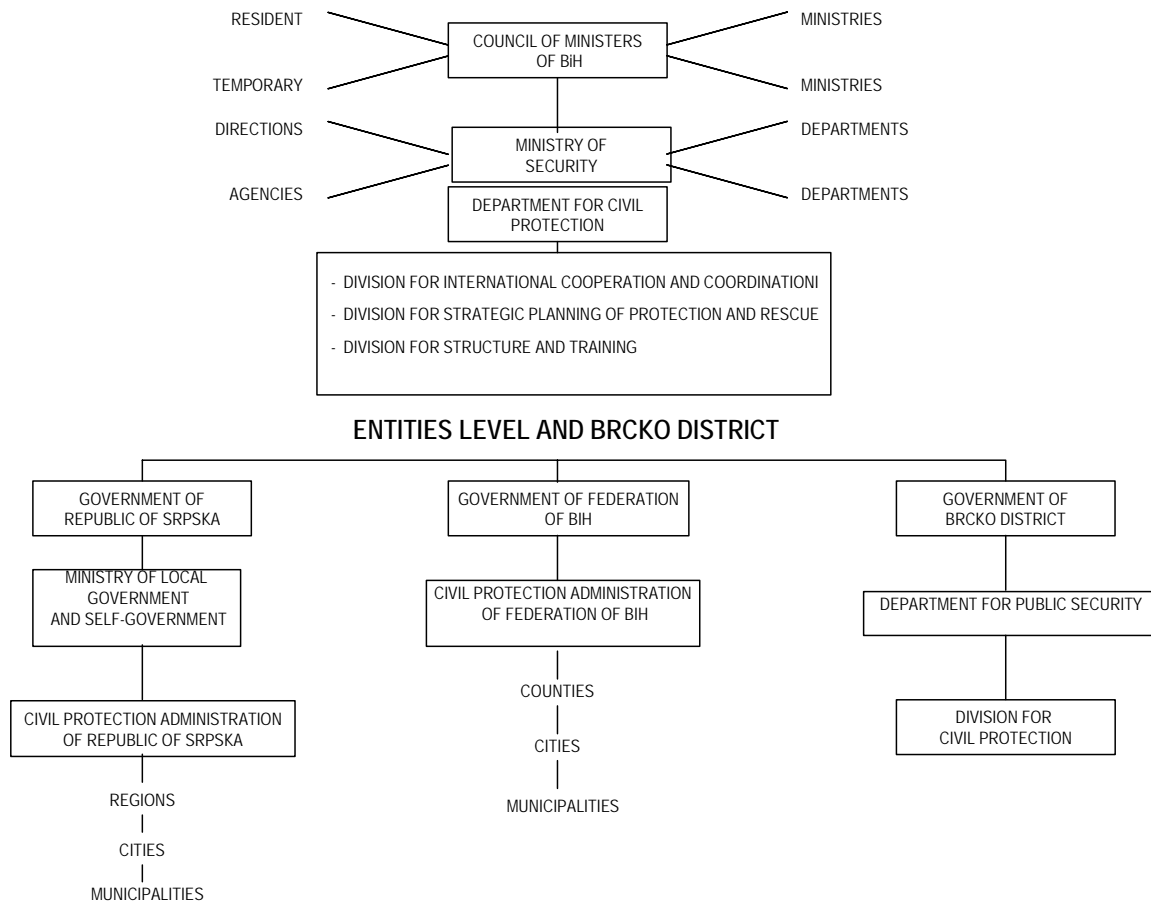
Protection and Rescue System, whose one of components is civil protection, is a function of participation of civil services and Armed Forces in prevention, preparedness, protection and rescuing human lives, material goods, environment, as well as cultural heritage against natural and other types of disasters.

In accordance with “Law on ministries and other executive authorities of BiH” Ministry of Security of BiH, through its CP Department, is responsible for:

- International cooperation and internal coordination,
- Strategic planning of protection and rescue measures,
- Structure and training.

In case of large-scale disasters, operations and forces are managed and directed by the State disaster management body, established by the Council of Ministers of BiH

3. Regulation and procedure:



4. Staff:

Organized protection and rescue forces are composed of the following structures:

- Structure of the Ministry of Security BiH – Civil Protection Department – in development progress;
- Armed Forces BiH – single after defence reform;
- Police forces – reform in progress;
- Entities' Civil Protection Administrations (CPA)- well organized and efficient;
- Fire fighting - coordinated by entities' CPAs;
- Red Cross Society of BiH

Civil – Military cooperation and coordination is performed in relations Ministry of Security BiH – Ministry of Defence BiH. Entities are authorized to rise request for use of Armed Forces units and other assets in case of emergency.

Use of Armed Forces BiH for support to civil protection and rescue services in emergencies is approved by the Presidency of Bosnia and Herzegovina

5. International activities:

Global and regional cooperation

- OUN – all UN Agencies related with CP
- OPCW,
- ICDO,
- Stability Pact for SEE – DPPI (host),
- CMEP Council for SEE - Chairmanship in 2007,
- NATO,
- EUFOR.

Bilateral cooperation

- Agreement BiH – Croatia (2001),
- Memorandum of Understanding– FORMEZ, Italy (2004),
- Memorandum of Understanding – DEMA, Danmark (2006),
- Agreement BiH – Montenegro, in preparation,
- Agreement BiH – Serbia, in preparation.

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