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Existing IMAS
- 38 IMAS covering various aspects of mine action

Two IMAS currently cover Survey/Information
- 08.10 General Mine Action Assessment
- 08.20 Technical Survey

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IMAS 08.10 – General Mine Action Assessment
- Intention was to address the issue of information from start to finish of a mine action programme

IMAS 08.20 Technical Survey
- Intention was to be site specific
- IMAS was not clear about ‘cancelled’ areas

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What are the current issues?

- Cancellation/release criteria not clearly covered in IMAS or understood uniformly
- Liability essentially not addressed in IMAS
- Terminology has been used and understood differently
- No clear statement that land could be released without physical intervention or clearance

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Land Release 08.20
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**Land Release 08.20**
(new)

**General Survey**
08.21
(reworking of extant GMAA)

**IMAS 08.21** presents a framework of essential information required to make decisions to release land by general means. (REVISES GMAA)

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**Land Release 08.20**
(new)

**Technical survey**
08.22
(reworking of extant technical survey)

**IMAS 08.22** will provide guidance on developing an efficient methodology to release land by technical survey. (TO FOLLOW – REVISES TECHNICAL SURVEY)

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Land Release 08.20 (new)

| General Survey 08.21 (reworking of extant GMAA) | Technical survey 08.22 (reworking of extant technical survey) | Clearance 08.23 (extant 09.10) | BAC 08.24 (extant 09.11) |

IMAS 09.10 & 09.11 provide the requirements for the release of land through clearance and BAC

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Information Management (rework of extant 08.10 & draft 05.10)

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What will be new?

- A clearer explanation of the ‘process’ of dealing with an SHA.
- A clear statement that, in certain circumstances, it can be acceptable to cancel/release land without entering it.
- Clear guidance on the responsibilities for defining release criteria and liability.
- Guidance on release criteria and liability issues.
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Thank you

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