Project Management Topic 2.5 Roles and Responsibilities



Roles & Responsibilities

- Confusion over responsibilities causes problems in three areas:
 - 1. Management of People
 - 2. Management of Work
 - 3. Conflicts requiring resolution
- The temporary nature of project organizations magnifies this issue.



Roles & Responsibilities 'Solutions'

- Organization Charts
- Written Roles & Responsibilities Descriptions
- Responsibility Charts
- Responsibility Matrices



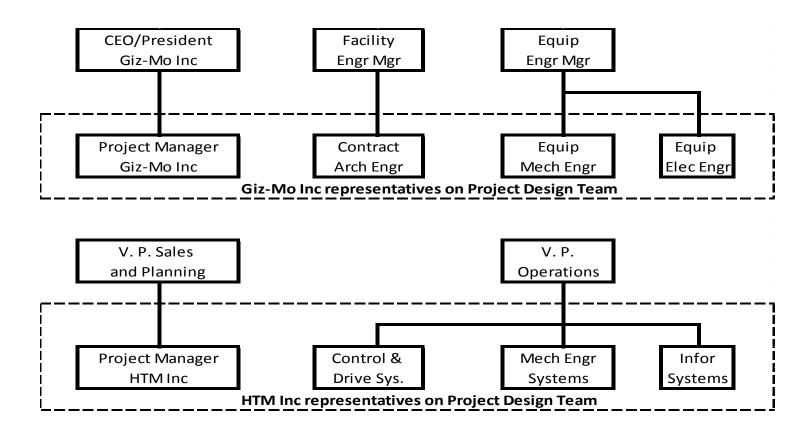
Responsibility Chart

- Excerpt of org chart that looks horizontally across the organization
- Focuses on peer relationships across departments or companies involved in a project
- Primarily for design or work teams
- Highlights relationships critical in project design or implementation



Responsibility Chart Examples

Giz-Mo Inc. and HTM Inc.





Responsibility Matrix

- Integrates WBS & organization
- Primarily used for work teams
- Each task (work package) has one person/group leader responsible
- Expresses formal relationships only



Responsibility Matrix Advantages

- Personnel can easily trace their responsibilities to work packages and other individuals
- Mutual agreement builds consensus
- Clarifies responsibilities
- Reduces conflict
- Avoids buck passing



Responsibility Matrix Format

- Once the WBS is complete, responsibility must be identified.
- The responsibility matrix displays the individuals responsible for the work items in tabular format.

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"R" indicates who is responsible
"A" indicates who is accountable
"C" indicates who is consulted
"I" indicates who is informed
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Responsibility Matrix

Air Travel RACI Model

ID	Task	Captain	Navigator	Chief Flight Attendant	Ground Crew Suprv	Baggage Crew Suprv
1	Complete Flight Check list	R/A	С			
2	Chart Route	С	R/A			
3	Order Food	С		R/A		
4	Order Fuel	R/A				
5	Stock Food			Α	R	
6	Fuel Plane	Α	I		R	
7	Load Bags	I				R/A
8	Load Passengers	I		R/A		
9	Verify Safety Procedures			R/A		



2.5.1 Team Exercise



RACI Matrix

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2.5.2 Roundtable Exercise



Cooperation Discussion

- How do team norms, personal history exercise, RAM charts improve project team cooperation?
- What other techniques have you experienced that improved cooperation within groups?
- When in the project life cycle is the best time to implement these techniques? Explain your answer.

Share your thoughts in roundtable discussion.

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