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**shall not** indicates an interdiction (prohibition) to do something

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**should not** indicates a recommendation not to do something

**may** indicates permission to do something

**need not** indicates permission not to do something

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**can** indicates that something is possible

**cannot** indicates that something is impossible

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**will** indicates that something is certain or expected to happen as a result of action taken by an agency the behaviour of which is outside the scope of the present document

**will not** indicates that something is certain or expected not to happen as a result of action taken by an agency the behaviour of which is outside the scope of the present document

**might** indicates a likelihood that something will happen as a result of action taken by some agency the behaviour of which is outside the scope of the present document

**might not** indicates a likelihood that something will not happen as a result of action taken by some agency the behaviour of which is outside the scope of the present document

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