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AI Incident Coordination Template

**A practical, end-to-end playbook for AI-driven
incident response**

A ready-to-use template suite to coordinate AI
incidents, from intake to post-incident review.

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Incident Intake & Scope

Capture the initial details to establish scope and containment. Define severity, affected services, and reporting channels.

Key move Capture complete details early; escalate promptly to avoid delays.

PRACTICAL CHECKLIST

- 01** Incident title, detection timestamp, reporting channel.
- 02** Affected services and systems; scope of impact.
- 03** Severity level and service priority at risk.
- 04** Initial suspected cause and key context (environment, region).
- 05** Data sources for validation (logs, metrics, dashboards) and access needs.
- 06** Stakeholders to notify (on-call, product, legal) and contact methods.
- 07** Immediate containment actions taken and suggested next steps.

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Impact, Ownership, & Updates

Assess impact and assign ownership to enable rapid decisions. Establish update cadence and channels from the outset.

Key move Assign a single owner early; establish escalation path to prevent drift.

PRACTICAL CHECKLIST

- 01** Affected services and scope; downtime, data risk.
- 02** Quantified impact: users affected, revenue, regulatory exposure.
- 03** Incident owner and deputy; decision authority; escalation path.
- 04** Stakeholder updates cadence and channels (status page, chat).
- 05** Containment actions and validation checks; rollback criteria.
- 06** Action tracking: tickets, owners, due dates; integration with system.
- 07** Automation & guardrails: auto-ticketing, auto-status updates, approvals gates.

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Resolution Notes & Post-Incident Review

Document resolution steps, root cause findings (where known), and learning actions. Capture metrics to improve future responses.

Key move Finalize post-incident review within 7 days; assign improvements.

PRACTICAL CHECKLIST

- 01** Resolution summary: root cause, corrective actions.
- 02** Metrics: MTTR, detection time, downtime duration.
- 03** Evidence artifacts: logs, dashboards, communications.
- 04** Final communications: what was shared and when.
- 05** Action backlog: long-term fixes, owners, due dates.
- 06** Adoption plan (Weeks 1-4): implement intake, assign owners, enable auto-notifications, tabletop exercise.

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I build AI systems that combine distributed architecture, retrieval, knowledge graphs, security, and practical workflow design. My focus is AI that can be used repeatedly by real teams: understandable, reliable, and grounded in the work people already do.

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