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# In case of - In cases of

**In case of** indicates something you do before, to prevent a future problem:

Take an umbrella in case (*of rain*) it rains (take an umbrella because it could rain in the future);

Buy some insurance in case of accidents (buy some insurance now against future problems).

**In cases of** indicates something you do after, to “repair” a problem that has happened:

In cases of headache, take an aspirin (take an aspirin after you have a headache).

*(Before)*

Evacuation plans have been prepared in case of earthquakes.

*(After)*

In cases of earthquakes, follow the evacuation plans.