

EMERGENCY PROCEDURE REFERENCE GUIDE

Reporting an Emergency

All emergencies should be reported to the Public Safety Office by dialing extension:

4357 (HELP)

or

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(719-)

(Fontbonne University operator, 8 a.m.
– 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday).

Should you need the police, fire department or an ambulance and no one listed above can be reached,

Dial: 911 (9-911)

When you call to report an emergency, stay calm and speak slowly. Give the following information:

- State, “This is an emergency call.”
- Describe the exact location.
- Carefully explain the problem.
- Identify yourself and your phone number.
- DO NOT HANG UP UNTIL YOU ARE TOLD TO DO SO.
- You may be asked to stay by the phone or be given other instructions.

If anyone is available, dispatch one individual to a location near the emergency to meet and escort responding personnel to the site of the emergency. Ask witnesses to remain at the emergency site and help keep non-participants away. Emergency personnel will take control of the situation when they arrive. Neither you nor the witnesses should leave until you have been told that you are no longer needed.

Building Evacuation

The guidelines below should be followed when evacuating any building:

1. All building evacuations will occur when an alarm sounds and/or upon verbal instructions. Building fire alarms are activated by following the directions listed on the pull stations. If a building alarm system is inoperable, individuals will need to be verbally alerted. In the event of a gas leak, do not activate the building alarm system. Alert people verbally to evacuate the building.
2. Leave by the nearest marked exit and alert others to do the same. Do not enter any area marked by a hazardous material warning sign. If time permits, secure or take your personal purse, wallet, etc. with you.
3. Assist people with disabilities in exiting the building. Remember that elevators are reserved for people with disabilities. DO NOT USE THE ELEVATORS IF THE BUILDING IS BEING EVACUATED DUE TO FIRE.
4. Once outside, proceed to a clear area that is at least 500 feet away from the affected area. Keep streets, fire lanes, hydrant areas and walkways clear for emergency personnel. Faculty members should account for their students by conducting a head count.
5. Do not return to an evacuated building unless you are told to do so by a Fontbonne official.
6. During periods of inclement weather, you will be directed to go to another building.

Tornadoes

Individuals on Fontbonne University property will move to emergency tornado reporting areas when the S. Louis County tornado sirens sound. The procedures below should be followed:

1. You should move to the tornado emergency reporting area for your building. Sit with your head against the wall with your head down if the storm strikes. Faculty members should account for their students by taking a head count.
2. As you leave your office or room, close all windows and doors.
3. All people should remain in the emergency reporting areas until the all clear message is announced on extension **8091** or until a Fontbonne official has given the all clear.
4. All damage and injuries resulting from the storm should be reported to the Department of Public Safety by dialing extension 4596 or 0. Public Safety will call for emergency assistance and make the proper notifications.
5. If damage from the storm creates an emergency that requires evacuation of the building, activate the building alarm and walk to the nearest marked exit. Alert others to do the same. Do not enter any area marked by a hazardous material warning sign.
6. Assist people with disabilities in exiting the building. Remember that elevators are reserved for people with disabilities. **DO NOT USE THE ELEVATORS IF THE BUILDING IS BEING EVACUATED DUE TO FIRE.**
7. Once outside, proceed to a clear area that is at least 500 feet away from the affected area. Keep streets, fire lanes, hydrant areas and walkways clear for emergency personnel. Faculty members should account for their students by conducting a head count.
8. Do not return to an evacuated building unless you are told to do so by a Fontbonne official.

Fires

Report all fires to the Public Safety Office by dialing extension:

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The procedure below should be followed in case of fire:

1. Activate the building fire alarm and/or alert people verbally. All people should exit by the nearest marked exit. Close all room doors as you exit. **DO NOT LOCK DOORS IF SMOKE OR THE SMELL OF SMOKE IS PRESENT.** If time permits, secure or take your personal purse, wallet, etc. with you. Do not enter any area marked by a hazardous material warning sign.
2. Assist people with disabilities in exiting the building. Do not use the elevators. Smoke is the greatest danger in a fire. Stay near the floor where the air is less toxic.

3. Once outside, move to a clear area that is at least 500 feet away from the affected area. Keep streets, fire lanes, hydrant areas and walkways clear for emergency personnel. Faculty members should account for their students by conducting a head count.
4. Dispatch one individual to a location near the emergency to meet and lead emergency responders to the site of the emergency.
5. Do not return to an evacuated building unless you are told to do so by a Fontbonne official.

If you become trapped in a room or building during a fire and a window is available, place an article of clothing (shirt, coat, etc.) outside the window as a marker for emergency rescue crews. If a window is not present, stay near the floor where the air is less toxic. Shout at regular intervals to alert emergency crews of your location.

Earthquakes

During an earthquake, remain calm and quickly follow the steps below.

1. **IF INDOORS:** Take cover under heavy furniture, in interior doorways, or against an interior wall. Stay away from windows, glass and exterior doorways. Avoid bookcases, cabinets or other structures that may fall.
2. **IF OUTDOORS:** Move quickly to an open area away from buildings, trees, utility poles and electrical lines. Do not attempt to enter a structure or building.
3. **IF IN A VEHICLE:** Stop as quickly as safety permits away from buildings, trees, utility poles and overhead lines. Stay in the vehicle for the protection it provides.
4. After the initial shock, evaluate the situation. If the facilities are damaged or medical help is needed, contact the Public Safety Office giving them all relevant information. Protect yourself at all times and prepare for after shocks.
5. If an emergency exists which requires emergency evacuation, activate the building alarm and walk to the nearest marked exit. Alert others verbally to do the same. Do not enter any area marked by a hazardous material warning sign.
6. Assist people with disabilities in exiting the building. Remember that elevators are reserved for people with disabilities. **DO NOT USE THE ELEVATORS IF THE BUILDING IS BEING EVACUATED DUE TO FIRE.**
7. Once outside, move to a clear area that is at least 500 feet away from the affected area. Keep streets, fire lanes, hydrant areas and walkways clear for emergency personnel. Faculty members should account for their students by conducting a head count.
8. Do not return to an evacuated building unless you are told to do so by a Fontbonne official.

Medical Emergencies

All medical emergencies should be reported to the Public Safety Office by dialing extension:

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An emergency medical situation is defined for the purpose of these procedures as being a life threatening condition including but not limited to:

- Unconsciousness
- Convulsions
- Inability to breathe or breathing with severe difficulty
- Severe chest pain
- Severe bleeding
- Possible fractures of the spine or major bones

For these situations, you should:

1. Report the situation stating, "This is a medical emergency." Give the exact location of the victim, your name and describe the nature and severity of the medical problem. Do not hang up until you are told to do so. This procedure applies to all serious injuries and illnesses occurring on campus including those in the athletic areas, work areas, classrooms, residence halls, etc.
2. If available, send someone to a location near the emergency to meet and lead emergency responders to the scene.
3. Do not move the victim unless there is imminent threat of further injury.
4. Administer first aid. Never provide or attempt to provide first aid beyond the scope of your training. No medication of any type may be given.
5. Ask all witnesses to remain until emergency responders arrive. Do not leave until you are told to do so.
6. Assist emergency responders on request.

NOTE: An ambulance will be called at the request of the victim regardless of the extent of the injuries or illness.

Armed Intruders

If you observe an armed individual on campus, you should report the situation immediately to Public Safety. All emergencies should be reported to the Public Safety Office by dialing extension:

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Public Safety will insure 911 is called and keep people away from the affected area until the police arrive.

If you are in the affected area, you should alert others in the immediate vicinity and:

Response to Intruder Shooting At Your Building

Turn out the room lights and lay on the floor. Consider crawling to a hallway away from the intruder.

Response to Armed Intruder in Your Building

Turn out the room lights, shut and lock the room door and move to a point in the room where you can not be seen from the hallway.

Response to Armed Intruder If You Are Outdoors

Run to the closest structure that will shield you from the sight of the intruder. If nothing is close, run perpendicular from the intruder until you reach safety.

Unless you are in immediate danger, all people in the affected area should remain in place until instructions are received from emergency responders.

Catastrophic Emergencies

If an emergency occurs in our community where there is widespread injury to people or damage to property and immediate assistance from the police, fire department, and ambulance service is unavailable, everyone should:

- Evacuate damaged buildings and/or areas where danger exists
- Help with the evacuation of handicap and injured people
- Note location of trapped or unconscious people
- Administer first aid
- Follow the instructions given by University officials

Individuals on campus at the time of the emergency will be asked to register at the Information Center which will be located at the Conference Room in Medaille Hall. All hazardous conditions and the location of trapped, injured or unconscious people should be reported at the time of registration. After registering, individuals should go to the Assembly Area in DSAC and wait for further instructions. If you have first aid training, you should go to the First Aid Station in DSAC. If needed, Fontbonne officials will seek volunteers from this Assembly Area to help with emergency efforts

All students and visitors wishing to leave campus may do so after informing the Information Center of their decision.

All faculty and staff members are asked to remain on campus until the situation can be evaluated. All employees not needed for the emergency response will be released. All released employees choosing to leave Fontbonne should inform the Information Center of their decision to leave prior to departing campus.

Individuals choosing to leave campus should carefully evaluate the chances of reaching their destination before beginning their journey.