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Policy & Procedure Manual		
Section: Laboratory Safety Manual	Subject Title: Fire Safety and	l Prevention
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Policy:

The fire plan is based on the requirements of Section 2.8 of the Ontario Fire Code. It provides an audit of Fire Safety resources in the building, emergency procedures and actions to be taken in the event of a fire, training schedule and duties of designated personnel and details maintenance procedure and fire protection measures.

Purpose:

The information of a properly prepared Fire Safety Plan will help the occupants in utilizing life safety features in the building, ensure an orderly evacuation at the time of an emergency and provide a maximum degree of flexibility to achieve the necessary fire safety for the building.

Responsibility:

Management and personnel

Key elements:

- Classification of Fire
- Extinguisher Operation
- Fire Alarm Signals
- Fire Safety Information
- Evacuation Routes and Procedures
- What to do If You Discover a Fire
- Fire Wardens

Related Documents:

Emergency Procedure Manuals Home	Code Red
TML Fire Safety Manual	St Patrick Site

Procedure:

CLASSIFICATION OF FIRE	EXAMPLES	EXTINGUISHERS
Class A	Ordinary combustibles Wood, paper, cloth, etc.	Pressurized water and dry chemical
Class B	Flammable liquids Gases, greases, paints	Dry chemical and carbon dioxide
Class C	Electrical Instruments, computer	Dry chemical and carbon dioxide

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EXTINGUISHER OPERATION	WATER	CARBON DIOXIDE	DRY CHEMICAL
	 Pull pin Aim nozzle Squeeze handle 	 Pull pin Aim nozzle Squeeze handle 	 Pull pin Aim nozzle Squeeze handle
Discharge Range	4. Sweep extinguisher 30 - 40 feet	3 - 8 feet	5 - 20 feet
Discharge Time Inspected	60 sec monthly	30 sec monthly	30 sec monthly

Fire Alarm Signals	MSH	ST. PATRICK	TGH	TWH	PMH
Signais		SITE			
1 st stage (fire	20 beats /min	1 stage	20 beats/min*	20 tones/min*	20 beats/min x
alarm)	x 1 min				30 seconds
		Alarm and evacuation 20 cycles /min	Exceptions: Bell Wing 30 tones Eaton Wing 20 tones Maz Bell and Residence 120 beats		
2 nd stage (total	60 beats/ min		120 tones/min	Siren	120 beats/min
evacuation)	x 1 min				x 5 min

FIRE SAFETY INFORMATION

Site Map	Posted by elevators	
	Shows locations of pull stations, fire exits, fire hoses and extinguishers,	
	evacuation routes, emergency showers, fire blankets	
Pull Stations	Beside all exits to the outdoors	
Fire Exits	Marked with EXIT. Clearly illuminated with emergency lighting	
	Each floor has a minimum of 2 exits	
	Know location of fire exits, i.e., all stairwells to the outdoors	
	MSH: Stairwell # 5 is by the men's washroom. South East corner.	
	Stairwell # 7 is by the Wheelchair access washroom. North East corner.	
	TML: Stairwell by the elevators. South East corner.	
	Stairwell in North West corner.	
Fire Doors	Self closing fire doors limit the spread of fire from floor to floor	
Fire Detection	Automatic smoke or heat detection systems are provided. Sprinkler systems	
	engage automatically	
Fire Drills	Employees must participate in a fire drill at least once a year	

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WHAT TO DO IF YOU DISCOVER A FIRE

MSH

- **R.** Remove anyone in the room while calling out "Code Red, location..." for assistance. Close the door to the fire room and any room connecting doors.
- **A.** Activate the fire alarm. Call Communications Centre (5555). Give exact location and nature of fire.
- C. Close all remaining doors and windows in the fire zone, placing patients into rooms. Clear halls of equipment (do not place equipment in patient rooms).
- **E.** Evacuate as directed by person in charge.

NOTES:

- 1. If the fire is small and you know you can put it out **quickly**, do so using available sources (bed spread, blanket, sheet, fire extinguisher, etc.). Otherwise, do not attempt to extinguish the fire. Shut the door and leave it closed.
- 2. Order of the above steps is somewhat flexible. However, the evacuation of the room's occupant(s) and confinement of the fire shall be the top priorities.
- 3. Oxygen shut-down at the bedside will be the responsibility of Nursing or Respiratory Therapy. Oxygen shut-down of the zone valves will be the responsibility of Respiratory Therapy.
- 4. Mark the door to the fire room with a fire extinguisher to indicate the fire room should not be re-entered. Extinguishers are stored in the hose cabinets or on the walls. If the room has been evacuated, additionally mark the door with a wastebasket.

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ST PATRICK SITE	 Upon Discovery of Fire Leave fire area immediately Close all doors behind you Pull fire alarm station located at all fire exits Dial 9-911 AND 596-3101 x 3333 Michener Security to give location Leave building via nearest exit stairs Michener Security MUST be informed about the requested external response in order to direct emergency personnel to the required location in the Institute.
	 Upon Hearing Fire Alarm Turn off equipment (where applicable) Close all doors behind you Leave building via nearest exit stairs
	 Other Information Remain calm Use a fire extinguisher if there is a reasonable chance of putting out the primary fire with one extinguisher, or to gain time to evacuate people from the area. Do not use elevators. If smoke is heavy in the corridor or if you encounter smoke in the stairway, use an alternate stairway. In inclement weather an Institute Fire Official may direct evacuees to the Schatz Hall gymnasium.
UHN	 R. Remove occupants E. Enclose area A. Activate alarm C. Call 5555 T. Try to fight fire

Fire Wardens	MSH /TGH / TWH / PMH	St. Patrick Site
	Fire Wardens Refer to Code Red for MSH and UHN	Floor Wardens on each floor are responsible for checking all areas and ensuring evacuation of staff prior to leaving themselves. They bring attendance list to Main Reception on the ground floor.

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