

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY...

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA
ST. PETERSBURG CAMPUS
PROTECTIVE ACTIONS GUIDE

Know Your Location

- Provide your location when calling (727) 873-4444 or 911.

Common Protective Actions

- Always be aware of your surroundings.
- Remain calm and help others do the same.
- Create distance between you and the hazard.
- Follow all verbal instructions, messages, and alerts.
- Report any suspicious activities to University Police by calling (727) 873-4444.

If Instructed to **Shelter-in-Place**

- Stay where you are.
- Close all doors and windows and create a seal around them with available materials.

Active Threat

- **Run – Hide – Fight:** If possible, run from the threat. If unable to run, hide out of sight behind adequate cover. If faced with the threat, use your resources to fight back. Silence all cell phones and other equipment that may produce sound.
- Continue to evaluate the threat and trust your instincts to keep yourself safe.
- Have **one person** from the room call UPD at (727) 873-4444 or 911 if you have information to provide or injuries to report.

Hazardous Materials Release

- Evacuate the area immediately.
- Call Safety and Compliance at (727) 873-4215 or UPD at (727) 873-4444 for assistance. If an emergency, call 911.
- If you come in to contact with the material, rinse with copious amounts of water and do not rub skin. Seek medical attention.
- Shelter-in-place if directed.

Severe Weather and Tornadoes

- Move to an interior room on the lowest level of the building, away from doors and windows.
- Monitor weather broadcasts.
- Remain in place until severe weather passes.

Power Outages

- Move cautiously to a lighted area.
- Follow instructions from public safety officials.

Fire, Smoke, or Explosion

- Activate the nearest fire alarm and evacuate the area.
- Notify others as you evacuate.
- Do not use elevators, use only stairwells.
- Assist individuals with disabilities to areas of refuge within stairwells and notify public safety officials of the location.
- Close doors behind you as you leave to limit spread of fire and smoke.
- **Call (727) 873-4444 or 911 when you are safely out of the building.**
- Remain a safe distance from the building in a grassy area, avoiding parking lots.

Suspicious Person

- Do not physically confront the person or block access to an exit.
- Do not allow anyone to follow you into access controlled areas.
- Call UPD (727) 873-4444 or 911 and provide as much information about the person and direction of travel as you can.

Bomb Threat or Suspicious Item

- Evacuate the area immediately.
- Notify others around you.
- Call (727) 873-4444 or 911 and provide as much information as possible.
- Do not touch or disturb any objects.

Be Prepared.



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