Quick Tips!
FIRE SAFETY INFORMATION FOR EVERYONE

TOPIC: BUILDING EMERGENCY EVACUATION:

Be familiar with these four tips in case of a fire related evacuation of your building. Please contact Environmental Health & Safety if you have any questions or concerns.

1) HAVE AN EXIT STRATEGY:
Know evacuation routes for your area of the building. Use the closest unobstructed exit doors and stairwells leading outside the building. Remember, the way you entered the building may not be the best way out.

Did you know? The Texas State Fire Marshal’s Office has a campaign called “Have an Exit Strategy” that features more information on developing an exit strategy along with fire safety Do’s and Don’ts and Frequently Asked Questions.

2) MANUAL FIRE ALARM PULL STATIONS:
Become familiar with locations of manual fire alarm pull stations. They are located at all building exits, have the word “FIRE” printed on them, and are colored red for easy identification. Activate one of these stations by pulling down while exiting the building during an emergency if the fire alarm is not already sounding.

3) EMERGENCY ASSEMBLY AREAS:
Once outside your building, walk to the dedicated building emergency assembly area; these are the places you go to wait during an emergency evacuation drill. Contact Environmental Health & Safety or look your assembly area up on the EHS Fire & Life Safety website if you do not know where these areas are located.

4) DON’T DELAY:
Never assume activation of the fire alarm is a drill. Everyone should exit the building upon fire alarm activation. Do not attempt to use an elevator during a fire emergency unless directed by emergency personnel.

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