

Emergency Action Plan Guidelines



This section addresses emergency action plans also known as EAP's, basic guidelines that should be included in any workplace.

Emergencies are created by a variety of situations. There are natural disaster emergencies such as tornadoes, storms, etc as well as man-made emergencies like bomb threats. When these emergencies require your building or worksite to be evacuated, an Emergency Action Plan will be a valuable tool to provide safety and organization to the evacuation effort. (See also emergency Action Plan)

An emergency action plan (EAP) describes the actions employees should take to ensure their safety if an emergency situation occurs. Different threats require different responses. For example, employees may assemble in one area inside the building (shelter in place) if threatened by a tornado, but evacuated to an exterior location if threatened by a fire. An EAP must identify when and how employees are to respond to different types of...