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Emergency Procedures

Consult the student involved for information on emergency medical procedures if a high likelihood exists that a medical emergency may occur in class. The student will be the best guide for what to do. In any medical emergency, remain calm. If you need medical assistance, send a student to the nearest telephone and contact the University Police for help (dial 2322 or 911).

In the event of an emergency situation requiring evacuation, the safe exit of every individual from the building will naturally be a priority for all University personnel. Students in wheelchairs and others with mobility impairments should move toward the nearest marked exit. As a first choice, the wheelchair occupant or other person with a disability may attempt to use the elevator, although in a fire, elevators will be inoperable. In this event, the individual may be assisted to the nearest Safe Refuge Area (detailed below).

In some circumstances, the person with a disability may request evacuation assistance from others. If this is the case, ask the individual for instructions on lifting or moving (Must the individual be moved in the wheelchair or with other support? If so, where can the chair be safely grasped for lifting, i. e. handle-bars, wheel rims, etc.?) If a power wheelchair must be moved downstairs, remove batteries before attempting to transport it. Make sure the foot-rests and arm-rests are locked. If a seatbelt is available, secure the person in the chair. A relay team arrangement may be needed. If it is not possible to carry the individual downstairs, the wheelchair occupant or other person with a disability

Safe Refuge Areas

should stay in the Safe Refuge Area until emergency rescue personnel arrive.

The Americans with Disabilities Act requires that the University provide areas of safe refuge for persons with disabilities in case of emergencies. Primarily these areas will serve as a safe place to wait for evacuation assistance if there is a fire and elevators are inaccessible. Signs have been posted at various stairwells indicating that they have been designated as Safe Refuge Areas. Emergency telephones with direct access to the UTD Police have been installed in the stairwell landings. When the police receive a call for these telephones, they automatically know the caller's location and can dispatch assistance.

The locations of the Safe Refuge Areas were determined by various fire and safety regulations. The locations are as follows:

Multipurpose Building: MP2.4S1

McDermott Library: MC1.6S3, MC1.6S4, MC1.3S5, MC1.3S2, MC3.4S4, MC3.2S2, MC4.4S4, MC4.3S3

Jonsson Academic Center: JOA3.1S1, JOB1.2S4, JOB4.9S3, JOB5.4S4, JOB5.2S3

Green Hall: GR3.8S3, GR3.1S1, GR4.8S3

TTY Locations

Teletypewriters are located in Disability Services and the UTD Police Station. The TTY in Disability Services may be used by students during regular business hours (8:30 AM - 7:00 PM - Monday through Thursday and 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM - Friday). The University Police Station is open 24 hours.

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