

Emergency Management Plan

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**Winmalee
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EMERGENCY CONTACT TELEPHONE NUMBERS
PLEASE PHONE OR INFORM THE SITE MANAGERS IMMEDIATELY
(PHONE 4754 2588)
AFTER MAKING ANY EMERGENCY CALL.

Fire Brigade	000
Police	000
Ambulance	000
Springwood Police	4751 0299
Bushfire: Blue Mountains Control Centre	4782 2159
State Emergency Service (Storms Etc.)	4782 3200
Poisons Information Centre	13 1126
Nepean Hospital	4734 2000
Cnr Derby St & Northern Rd Penrith	
Hawkesbury District Hospital	4560 5555
Macquarie St Windsor	
Doctor – Dr De Vries. 382 Hawksbury Rd, Winmalee	4754 1666
Medical Practice – Emu Plains	4735 4322
Cnr Great Western Hwy & Old Bathurst Rd	
8am – 7pm Mon – Fri. 9am – 4pm Sat – Sun (Ring for booking)	

EMERGENCY RESPONSE PROCEDURES

Australian Standards AS 3745-1995 and AS 4083-1997 define an emergency as: "Any event that arises internally or from external sources, which may adversely affect the safety of persons in a building or the community generally and required immediate response by the occupants."

Procedures given in this section cover the following situations:

Fire or the threat of fire

Flood / severe storm

Gas leakage

Hazardous material spills

Medical Emergency

Missing / Lost Guest

Personal Threat & Security

At the conclusion of any of the above, appropriate reports must be completed.

FIRE

In the event of a FIRE IN A BUILDING:

Group leaders and Winmalee Christian Conference Centre Staff should:-

- Alert all persons nearby and request assistance;
- Assist any person in immediate danger (only if safe to do so);
- Close the door on the fire to contain the spread (only if safe to do so);
- Call the Fire Brigade on **000** from Pay Phone (free call) and also **notify the Site Manager**;
- Extinguish the fire (only if safe to do so);
- If threat to life exists, evacuate immediately, closing all doors;
- Check that all areas have been cleared and inform the site manager;
- Control the movement of occupants to the **Evacuation Assembly Area** (Playing Field);
- Maintain control of persons at the Evacuation Assembly Area, checking roll to ensure all guests are in attendance.

In the event of a BUSH FIRE:

Group leaders and Winmalee Christian Conference Centre Staff should:-

- Alert all persons nearby and request assistance;
- Assist any person in immediate danger (only if safe to do so);
- Call the Fire Brigade on **000** from the Pay Phone (free call) and also **notify the Site Manager**;
- Extinguish the fire (only if safe to do so);
- Call all Guests to the **Meeting Hall (Lower Level)**, checking roll to ensure all guests are in attendance.
- Shut all doors & windows
- Turn off all fans & air-conditioning.
- In the event that the **Rural Fire Service** determines that evacuation of the site is required (only in the event of a major bush fire and with more than 4 hours notice), they will arrange for evacuation.
- If deemed necessary, and at the appropriate time, the external Building Protection Sprinklers will be turned on.
- Keep all personnel calm & do not allow anyone to leave building until instructed
- Obey all directions from Site Manager & Emergency Personnel

Fire Safety

Preparation

- Appoint a **Fire Warden** (Guest Register best person)
- Each leader needs to know who the Fire Warden is & be aware of Evacuation Procedure, Assembly Points & know the location of fire extinguishers, fire hoses & fire panel
- Fire Warden must have a complete record of all guests on site at any given time (including visitors) so that all can be accounted for during an incident. This must be kept on person & up to date
- If guests are leaving site the Fire Warden must be notified before & on return
- New arrivals must report to the Fire Warden
- Fire Warden is to be introduced to Site Manager on arrival
- Fire Alarm is connected to “Back to base” monitoring
- Be aware that the Site Manager’s Residence is connected to the alarm system & Site Manager will investigate alarm activation

Active Alarm

- Locate alarm source at Fire Panel inside main entrance
- Check for false alarm or actual fire
- Evacuate personnel in immediate danger area
- Call 000 the Fire Brigade from Pay Phone (free call)
- Extinguish fire if safe to do so
- Evacuate all personnel to **Evacuation Assembly Area** (Playing Field)
- Maintain control of persons at the Evacuation Assembly Area, checking roll to ensure all guests are in attendance.

Flood / Severe Storm

In the event of a FLOOD

Flooding is unlikely at Winmalee Christian Conference Centre, however the Nepean/Hawkesbury/Grose River systems may flood.

- In this event the Yarramundi Road Bridge may go under water restricting access/egress to/from the site via Richmond.

In the event of a SEVERE STORM

Winmalee Christian Conference Centre Staff should notify Guests of the expectation of a severe storm.

- If storm threatening do not allow guests to bushwalk. (Includes situations of high wind & rain).
- Assemble in the Meeting Room & conduct a Roll Call to ensure all guests are accounted for;
- Store or secure all loose items external to the building.
- Close all windows and doors.
- Disconnect electrically sensitive equipment like computers, data projectors and TV's.
- Remain inside the buildings, keeping away from exposed windows,
- After the storm,
 - Evaluate the need to evacuate buildings due to damage or the potential for fire.
 - Report on the status of the guests to the Site Manager.

Gas Leakage

In the event of a GAS LEAK

Group leaders and Winmalee Christian Conference Centre Staff should:-

- Call the **Site Manager immediately**, and then if deemed necessary call the Fire Brigade on **000** from the Pay Phone (free call).
- Turn off the Gas Supply (Site Staff responsibility);
- Turn off the electrical supply to the main building (Site Staff responsibility).
- If deemed necessary notify all persons to evacuate the building & assemble at the **Evacuation Assembly Area** on the playing field.
- Control the movement of occupants to the Evacuation Assembly Area;
- Maintain control of persons at the Evacuation Assembly Area, checking roll to ensure all guests are in attendance.
- Remain at the Evacuation Assembly Area until advised that the situation is safe

Hazardous Materials

In the event of a HAZARDOUS MATERIAL SPILL

Group leaders and Winmalee Christian Conference Centre Staff should:-

If the spill has the potential to give off toxic or noxious fumes:-

- Call the Fire Brigade on **000** from Pay Phone (free call) and also **notify the Site Manager**;
- Provide as much information about the material as possible;
- Turn off Air Conditioning and Fans, open windows if possible;
- Notify all persons to evacuate the building to the **Evacuation Assembly Area** on the playing field.
- Control the movement of occupants to the Evacuation Assembly Area;
- Maintain control of persons at the Evacuation Assembly Area, checking roll to ensure all guests are in attendance.

AND

If the spill is suspected of being flammable:-

- Remove any ignition sources (if safe to do so) before evacuating the area.

Medical Emergency

In the event of a MEDICAL EMERGENCY on Site

Group leaders and Winmalee Christian Conference Centre should:-

- Check for any threatening situation and remove or control it (if safe to do so);
- Remain with the casualty and provide appropriate support;
- Notify First Aid Personnel (If no Group Leaders are qualified Winmalee Christian Conference Centre Managers have SFA Certificates);
- Notify Site Manager;
- Call the Ambulance Service on **000** from Pay Phone (free call). This may take up to 20 minutes to arrive and consideration may be given to transporting the patient by private vehicle if deemed appropriate;
- Designate someone to meet the ambulance at the site entrance and direct it to the location of the casualty;
- NOTE
 - Provide support and appropriate assistance
 - Do not leave the casualty alone
 - Do not move casualty unless they are exposed to a life threatening situation by being left as and where they are.

In the event of a MEDICAL EMERGENCY off Site (eg bushwalk)

Group leaders should:-

- Check for any threatening situation and remove or control it (if safe to do so);
- Remain with the casualty and provide appropriate support;
- Notify Site Manager (Using UHF Radio on ridges or by sending two responsible persons with details);
- Do not move casualty unless they are exposed to a life threatening situation by being left as and where they are.
- Call the Ambulance Service on **000** if needed. This may take up to 20 minutes to arrive and consideration may be given to transporting the patient from the bush if deemed appropriate by Group Leader or Site Manager (some walking tracks are reachable by vehicle so please await instructions from Group Leader or Site Manager);
- Designate someone to meet the ambulance and direct it to the location of the casualty.

Anaphylaxis

Ensure that location of EpiPen is known to leaders & site staff

[See next page for anaphylaxis action plan \(used with permission\).](#)

Action plan for Anaphylaxis

SEVERE ALLERGIC REACTIONS

MILD TO MODERATE ALLERGIC REACTION

- swelling of lips, face, eyes
- hives or welts
- abdominal pain, vomiting

ACTION

- stay with person and call for help
- give medications (if prescribed)
- locate EpiPen® or EpiPen® Jr
- contact family/carer



**watch for signs
of Anaphylaxis**

ANAPHYLAXIS (SEVERE ALLERGIC REACTION)

- difficulty/noisy breathing
- swelling of tongue
- swelling/tightness in throat
- difficulty talking and/or hoarse voice
- wheeze or persistent cough
- loss of consciousness and/or collapse
- pale and floppy (young children)

ACTION

- 1 Give EpiPen® or EpiPen® Jr**
 - 2 Call ambulance. Telephone 000**
 - 3 Contact family/carer**
- If in doubt, give EpiPen® or EpiPen® Jr**

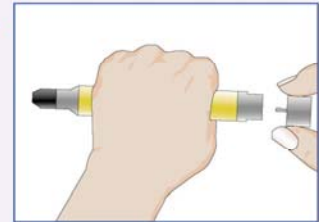
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How to give EpiPen® or EpiPen® Jr

1



Form fist around EpiPen® and pull off grey cap.

2



Place black end against outer mid-thigh.

3



Push down **HARD** until a click is heard or felt and hold in place for 10 seconds.

4



Remove EpiPen® and be careful not to touch the needle. Massage the injection site for 10 seconds.

Missing or Lost Guest

In the event of a MISSING OR LOST GUEST

Group leaders and Winmalee Christian Conference Centre Staff should:-

- In the first instance determine if any one is missing and then who is missing by a roll check.
- If a guest is missing then
 - Check all buildings, especially bedrooms and bathrooms, systematically.
 - Check playing field, Weather Shed, Swimming Pool Enclosure and use PA system to call for the person.
 - Notify Site Manager who will oversee search.
 - Call Police on **000** from Pay Phone (free call) if deemed necessary and commence search as instructed.

Personal Threat & Security

In the event of a PERSONAL THREAT

Group leaders and Winmalee Christian Conference Centre Staff should:-

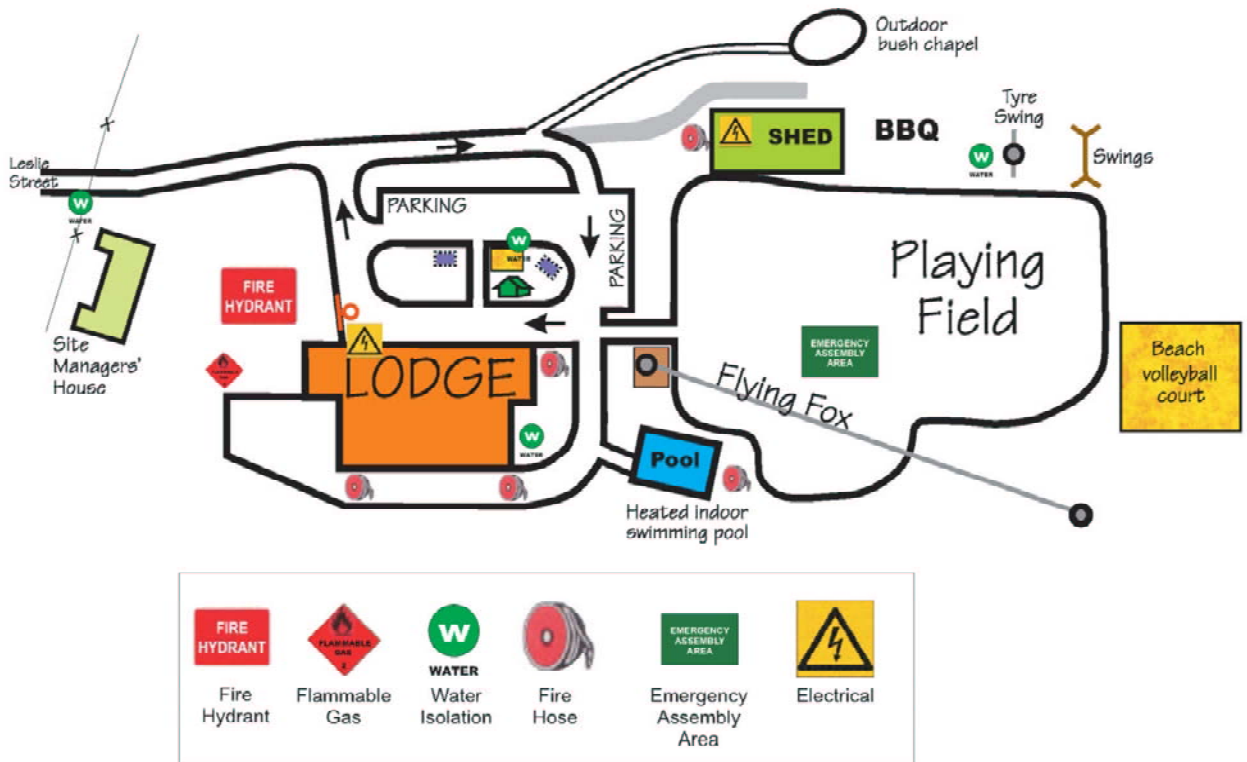
- Call the **Site Manager immediately** and then if deemed necessary call the **POLICE** on **000** from Pay Phone (free call).
- Do not do anything that may encourage irrational or threatening behaviour.
- Initiate action to:-
 - Restrict the offenders entry into a building
 - Confine or isolate the intruder(s) / offender(s) from other guests.
- Evacuation may be considered, if necessary and safe to do so.
- Have as many people as possible complete the "Description of Offender" form.
- Report all intrusions or unknown personnel on site to Site Manager
- Leader should ensure all six (6) external doors are locked at bedtime. Upper Level - Entry, Lounge, Hallway (near room 1). Lower Level – Games Room, Meeting Hall x 2.
Locking does not prevent exit from building

EVACUATION PROCEDURE

The plan below shows the Evacuation Assembly Areas for all persons evacuating the building.

The property is surrounded by dense bush and may be under threat from bushfire. In the event of a bushfire threat the assembly point will be in the Lodge on Lower Level Meeting Room (see Floor Plan page 13).

Site Plan



The evacuation procedure is designed on the RACE Principle

R Rescue or Remove people in immediate danger

If it is safe to do so, rescue any injured person and remove them from the area of immediate danger. You may need to obtain assistance if you are unable to rescue them by yourself. It is important not to place yourself into a dangerous situation while helping others.

A Alert others

Alert other residents that there is a fire in the building. This will give them time to cope with the emergency.

The Fire Brigade should be contacted as soon as possible. A person should position themselves at the front of the property to direct the Fire Brigade when they arrive. Upon arrival at the premises, the Brigade will need to know information on the location of the fire (ie. level of the building, Room No, etc), the closest access points to the building and whether or not people are trapped inside or otherwise need assistance.

C Contain the fire to the room or space of origin

Closing the door to the room in which the fire starts will often restrict its spread throughout the building. If the fire is in your room, leave & ensure door closes.

E Extinguish if safe to do so or Evacuate the building

Most fires start out small and can be easily controlled in the early development stages. If the fire is only small and you feel confident in controlling it and the conditions are safe, you may try to extinguish the fire.

If the fire is too large or you do not feel confident in being able to control or extinguish it, you are to evacuate the building and congregate with others on the Playing Field. Do not try and gather valuables as this behaviour will prolong your exposure to the elements of fire and could be fatal.

Upon arrival of the Fire Brigade, you are to take instructions from them. Under no circumstances are you to re-enter the building unless the Fire Brigade indicates it is safe.

Floor Plans

Upper Level



Lower Level

