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### FIRE PREVENTION

The best way to prevent fire is to minimize its potential through the observation of safe work practices and housekeeping. You should observe the following basic rules:

- Do not block or hamper passageways or exit doors.
- ☑ Keep storage areas neat and clean.
- $\blacksquare$  Avoid accumulating excessive paper products.
- ☑ Do not store combustible items such as paper and cardboard against electrical panels, in telephone closets, stairwells, and corridors.
- ☑ Do not store flammable or combustible fluids or gases without permission from the building manager.
- Maintain electrical appliances in good working order. Periodically check for potential electrical hazards such as frayed cords, broken plugs and overloaded electrical outlets. Avoid using extension cords.
- ☑ Make sure all electrical appliances and cords are approved by the Underwriters Laboratory (UL).
- Refrain from stacking items too high or close to the ceiling where they may hamper the operation of sprinkler devices.
   Nothing should be hung from sprinkler heads.
- ☑ Do not use space heaters. These units are a major cause of building fires and their use is not authorized within the building.
- EHS recommends battery operated candles unattended open flames can be hazardous.
- ☑ Always be caution when cooking one of the leading causes of residential fires.

# EMERGENCY

# CONTACT INFORMATION

FIRE/MEDICAL EMERGENCY	911
HARVARD UNIVERSITY POLICE DEPARTMENT PUBLIC SAFETY	(617) 49 <u>5-1212</u>
UNIVERSITY OPERATIONS CENTER ALL OTHER EMERGENCIES	( 6 1 7 ) 4 9 5 - 5 5 6 0
BUILDING OPERATIONS KEVIN CAHILL TOM CHILDS	6 1 7 - 2 7 6 - 5 7 4 8



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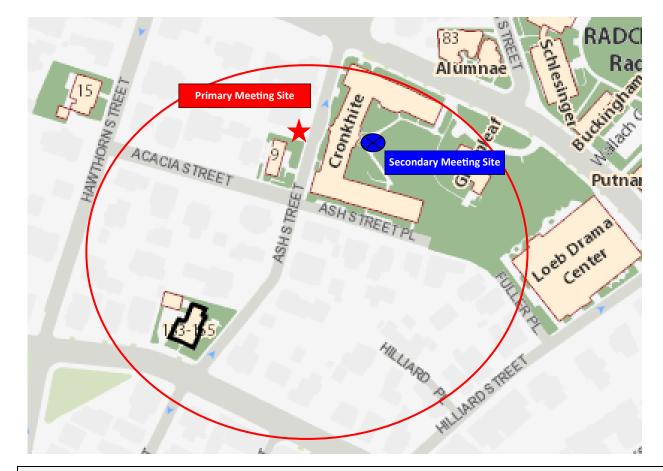
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# **General Evacuation Guidelines**

- ✓ If the fire alarm is activated STOP all activities and immediately initiate an evacuation. Do not delay your evacuation.
- ✓ Test your door if it is HOT seal the door with a wet towel to help keep smoke out. Call 5-1212 or 911 and provide HUPD or the CFD with your exact location.
- Stay low to the floor if smoke enters the room.
  If possible, signal the fire department from a window.
- Test your door if it is COLD if it is safe to do so, take your room keys and close doors behind you as you exit.
- Follow EXIT signs to the nearest fire stairwell.Do not use elevators.
- ☑ Go to your designated meeting site. Please wait for further instructions.
- ☑ Do NOT re-enter the building until authorized by HUPD or the CFD.

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# DESIGNATED MEETING SITES

PRIMARY MEETING SITE - ODD SIDE OF ASH STREET

SECONDARY MEETING SITE - EXTENDED EVACUATION - MOVE TO CRONKHITE CENTER

# If You Discover a FIRE

RELOCATE - If safe to do so, relocate people in immediate danger. Be aware of persons who may need assistance.

**ALARM** - Pull the building fire alarm to alert others.

**CONFINE** - Close all doors as you exit your laboratory/office.

**EVACUATE** - Evacuate the building. **Do not use elevators**.

<u>Call 5-5560</u> from a safe location outside the building to provide information to the University's Operations Center. Report to

your designated meeting site.