General Evacuation Guidelines

☑ If the fire alarm is activated, stop all work and immediately initiate an evacuation.

☑ If it is safe to do so, close doors behind you as you exit your office.

☑ Follow exit signs to the nearest fire stairwell.

☑ If you encounter visitors or guests, assist them as necessary.

☑ Evacuation maps are located near elevator banks and fire rated stairwells.

☑ Don’t use elevators.

☑ Go to your designated meeting site.

☑ Wait for further instructions from the police or fire department.

If You Discover a Fire: R.A.C.E.

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 leave your lab or office.

EVACUATE: Evacuate the building. Don’t use elevators.

Call the Operations Center (617-495-5560) from a safe location outside the building and provide information. Report to your designated meeting site.

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Fire Prevention

The best way to prevent fire is minimizing its potential by observing safe work and housekeeping practices:

✔ Don’t block or hamper passageways or exit doors.
✔ Keep storage areas neat and clean.
✔ Avoid accumulating excessive paper products.
✔ Don’t store combustibles like paper and cardboard against electrical panels or in phone closets, stairwells, or corridors.
✔ Don’t store flammable or combustible fluids or gases without the building manager’s permission.
✔ Maintain electrical appliances in good working order. Periodically check for potential electrical hazards like frayed cords, broken plugs, and overloaded outlets. Avoid using extension cords.
✔ Make sure all electrical appliances and cords are approved by the Underwriters Laboratory (UL).

Fire Prevention (continued)

✔ Don’t stack items too high or close to the ceiling where they could interfere with sprinkler devices. Don’t hang anything from sprinkler heads.
✔ Don’t use space heaters. Space heaters are unauthorized and a major cause of building fires.
✔ Use timers to automatically shutoff coffee makers.
✔ Keep lunch rooms and kitchens clean.

Emergency Contact Information

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