

Royal Fencing Emergency Plans

1 FIRE/GAS

In the event of a fire alarm, evidence of smoke or fire that cannot be easily extinguished with the fire suppression tools available,* or the smell of natural gas:

- The Duty Coach will call an immediate halt to all activities.
- The Duty Coach will designate another Coach (or Adult Fencer if no coach is available) to evacuate all fencers, parents, and guests via the Front Exit.
 - If the Front Exit to the building is unsafe, the rear exit will be used for evacuation.
- All fencers, parents, and guests will walk (not run) to the designated exit immediately and without stopping to gather possessions.
- The Adult Fencer will lead fencers, parents, and guests a safe distance from the building.
- The Adult Fencer will then call 911 to report the alarm.
- The Duty Coach will check all unlocked rooms (bathrooms, changing rooms, offices) to ensure no one is remaining in the building. They may designate a second Coach to assist them.
- After this check, the Duty Coach (and second Coach if designated) will leave the building.
- They will join the others from the salle and confirm that 911 has been called and all present in the building are safely evacuated.

*In the aftermath of even an easily extinguished fire, the fire department must still be called.

2 SEVERE WEATHER

In the event of severe weather such as a National Weather Service tornado warning:

- The Duty Coach will call a halt to all activities.
- All fencers, parents, and guests will move towards the back of the salle floor near the fencing dummy.
- The Duty Coach will check all unlocked rooms (bathrooms, changing rooms, offices) to ensure no one is remaining in other areas of the building. They may designate a second Coach to assist them.
- Everyone present in the salle will remain in this location, as far as possible from exterior walls, until the emergency has passed.

3 MEDICAL EVENT

3.1 MINOR MEDICAL EVENT

- In the event of a minor medical injury or illness, fencing may continue.
- The Duty Coach will notify the injured party's parent or guardian if they are a minor.
- The Duty Coach will assist the injured party to the limit of their expertise per USFCA training guidelines.
- Such minor events include but are not limited to a small cut, bruising, sprained ankle, headache, mild dehydration, etc.

3.2 MAJOR MEDICAL EMERGENCY

- In the event of a major medical emergency, the Duty Coach will call a halt to all activities.
- The Duty Coach will designate another Coach or Adult Fencer to call 911. That individual will then exit the building to wait for first responders.
- The Duty Coach will notify the injured party's parent or guardian if they are a minor.
- The Duty Coach will assist the injured party to the limit of their expertise per USFCA training guidelines until first responders arrive.
- All Fencers, Coaches, and Guests should remain clear of the area in which treatment is occurring and the access from the front door to that location.
- The Duty Coach and anyone else assisting will write a report of the incident for the Head Coach within 24 hours.
- Such emergencies include but are not limited to burns, unconsciousness, seizure, cardiac event, stroke, severe bleeding, compound/complex fracture, heat exhaustion or heat stroke, vehicular accident in the parking lot, or severe allergic reaction.

