1.4.1 Emergency Levels

LEVEL 1: ***A relatively minor, localized department or building incident.***

A LEVEL 1 emergency is quickly resolved with existing resources or with limited outside assistance. A LEVEL 1 emergency is usually a one-dimensional event that has a limited duration and little impact on the campus community beyond those using the space or building.

Examples: suspicious package, bomb threat report, odor complaint, localized chemical spill, plumbing failure, building flood or water leak, small fire or fire alarm, temporary building utility outage or individual medical emergency.

A LEVEL 1 emergency has the potential to become a LEVEL 2 emergency if the situation prevents academic or administrative operations for a foreseeable period of greater than four (4) hours.

Incident Support Team MAY BE NOTIFIED.

LEVEL 2: ***A major incident that: 1) affects the continued operation of one or more entire buildings, or 2) creates a substantial public health and safety risk, or 3) creates significant public relations concerns and press attention.***

A LEVEL 2 emergency is managed by the Incident Support Team. A LEVEL 2 emergency may be either people-focused or infrastructure-focused. These emergencies may also be single or multiple hazard situations and often require coordination or assistance from both within and outside the University community. Level 2 emergencies also include imminent events on campus or in the general community that may develop into a major University crisis or full disaster.

Examples: fire, explosion, credible bomb threat, suspicious package causing significant concern or press attention, chemical spill requiring a public agency response, severe flooding, widespread electrical power or utility outage, technological or network failure, widespread outbreak of illness, acts of violence, assaults, civil disobedience, death on campus, or a substantial weather event that could affect personnel or operations.

Incident Support Team NOTIFIED AND MAY CONVENE.

LEVEL 3: ***A disaster or major emergency with severe impacts on/to the University and/or the surrounding community.***

A LEVEL 3 incident has, or may have, the potential to jeopardize or suspend normal University operations and academic programs. Under such conditions, the Incident Support Team provides leadership and policy direction to the Operational Teams.

Examples: civil unrest, major fire, severe weather (hurricane or blizzard), catastrophic failure of utilities, mass evacuation, contagious disease outbreak, government-declared state of emergency, acts of war or terrorism.

Incident Support Team CONVENES.

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