

R.A.C.E. To Fire Safety

It is important that you and your staff are prepared to respond to fires and other emergencies. Review this basic, but critical, fire response information with your department on a regular basis. Follow the “R.A.C.E.” acronym if there is a fire or suspected fire:

Report the fire. From a safe place call 911 from any UAB phone, 934-3535 from your cell phone, tell the operator the exact location and what is burning, if known.



Activate the nearest fire alarm pull station. so you can activate the alarm on your way out.



These are located near exits



Confine the fire. As you evacuate, close doors behind you. This will slow the spread of fire and smoke and give you more time to escape.



Evacuate the building immediately. Get out as safely and quickly as possible. The less time you and others are exposed to poisonous gases, heat, or flames, the safer everyone will be. Use stairs, not elevators. Once outside, assemble in your designated area for a headcount. Don't reenter the building until so directed by Fire Department, UAB Police or OH&S.



UAB Emergency Numbers



Remember, 911 from an on-campus phone will get UAB Police. That is the preferred method for reporting all on-campus emergencies. If you use your cell phone, 934-3535 will get the fastest response.



Provisions for individuals with disabilities:

The landings inside enclosed stairwells and protected elevator lobbies are considered *areas of refuge* for individuals with disabilities. In the event of evacuation, individuals with disabilities located above or below the ground floor should proceed to a designated area of refuge and remain until emergency personnel arrive. If you will need help getting to an area of refuge be sure to make arrangements with your supervisor/co-workers before an emergency strikes. Supervisors or department heads are responsible for reporting the location of disabled or injured individuals to emergency personnel

