



Disaster Policy

The purpose of these regulations is to acquaint all employees and students with the University's policies associated with disasters and related traumatic events.

- A. Tornado General information: The Tornado is a violent local storm with whirling winds of tremendous speed. It appears as a rotating funnel-shaped cloud, which extend toward the ground from the base of a thundercloud the peak time for Tornadoes is from March through November, but they can occur any time of the year.
- 1) Tornado Watch: Means that weather conditions are favorable for Tornadoes to develop. Go about normal daily activities, but be alert to the weather
 - 2) Tornado Warning: Means a Tornado has actually been sighted or indicated on radar. Take refuge in a place of safety immediately, The National Weather Service issues weather warnings to the public over radio and television stations. Procedures to be followed at University of Fort Lauderdale if a Tornado warning is sounded are as follows:
 - a) Under no circumstances should students, faculty or staff attempt to leave campus while the warning is in effect.
 - b) Faculty should not dismiss classes. Students should be directed to an interior hallway of the building. Persons should lie on the floor as close to the wall as possible. All free-span rooms should be avoided.
 - c) If the building in which you are located is not steel-framed or reinforced concrete construction, and time permits, you should move as quickly as possible to the nearest reinforced structure. Otherwise, move to a small room in the interior part of the building and, if possible, seek shelter under heavy furniture, Stay away from windows.
 - d) Because of the possibility of a power failure, elevators should not be used, if applicable.
- B. Fire: In case of fire, notify the fire department first, and then sound alarm for the building to begin Evacuation. Procedures to be followed at University of Fort Lauderdale in case of fire are as follows:
- 1) The person discovering the fire will notify the Lauderdale Fire Department (phone number 911).
 - 2) The person discovering a fire will immediately give a vocal alarm in the building and make an attempt to extinguish the fire before it spreads.

- 3) The building in which the fire is located will be evacuated under the supervision of the first faculty or staff member on the scene, and personnel will be moved a minimum of 300 feet from the location of the fire.