

Aircraft Crash

The following procedures should be followed should an aircraft crash on the campus:

- Immediately take cover under tables or desks and remain clear of all windows to protect against debris until mass movement stops.
- Activate the nearest fire alarm pull station and evacuate the building quickly, following the established routes and procedures if possible. Even if fire or explosion does not occur on impact, the threat of fire or explosion remains and individuals should respond accordingly.
- Assemble at the pre-designated assembly point if it is safe to do so or proceed to an alternate assembly point as directed by University Police or other emergency response personnel. Wait at the safe assembly point until otherwise directed.
- If required, a campus wide evacuation will be conducted when it is safe to do so without complicating the emergency response.

Persons who are trapped and unable to evacuate a building should:

- Alert emergency search and rescue crews or anyone within shouting distance of your location.
- If a telephone is available, attempt to call University Police at extension 4911 (or 508-626-4911 from a cell phone) and report your location.
- If a window is accessible, place an article of clothing or other signal in the window to alert rescuers to your location. Whistle, shout, use any object at hand to pound on a wall or door to make noise at regular intervals to alert rescuers to your location.
- Stay low, near the floor. During a fire the air nearest the floor will contain the least smoke, contaminants, and heat.
- If you are injured, tend to your wounds.
- Remember, the first priority during any emergency is life safety. Help is on the way.

If an airplane crashes near campus:

- The campus may be used as a staging area or command post by emergency responders.
- Keep campus access roads open and remain clear of the command post and responders.
- Follow building evacuation plans.
- Wait at designated assembly points until receiving further instructions from a campus official or emergency responder.