Emergency Response Plan (SG.4)

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This is a Fillable Word form. Add or remove details relevant to your location. The text boxes will expand as you type. If you would like to print the form and complete it by hand, please use the PDF form, which has larger text boxes.

Instructions:

- Have on hand at all activities
- Share this plan with all supervisors before meetings or the activity
- When any situation mentioned in the SG.4 occurs, an Incident Report (INS.01) is completed.
- For Pathfinder and Ranger activities with only one Guider present, always review the SG.4 with your unit, and inform them of where a copy will be throughout the activity.

Unit(s): 1 st Airdrie Guides	Today's Date (mm/dd/yy): Sept 2, 2024
Unit meeting/Activity/event/camp: unit meetings	Date(s) of activity (mm/dd/yy): Wednesdays 6:30 – 8;30

At the activity, attach to your emergency response information:

A list of participants with emergency contacts x Schedule of activities or itinerary

Resource		Non-emergency numbers	Specific instructions for communicating:
EMS ambulance		EMS:	communicating.
Fire	911	Fire:	We are a group of 37 (number of people.)
Police		Police:	
Commissioner or ACL: Emma Smith – 403-222-2222		Our 911 civic address is: 216 – 1 st Ave NE	
Home Contact Person: Joe White– 403-666-6666			
GGC Provincial em	ergency c	contact: Bev Burton 780-935-5510	
Facility/Site Contact: 403-333-3333			
Poison Control: 1-844-764-7669			
Public Health Unit: 811			
Suicide Crisis Line: 988			
Child Protective Services: contact <u>any-girlprotection@girlguides.ca</u>			
			*Always let emergency services hang up first.

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Instructions for completing this form

- All sections on the first page of this form <u>must</u> be completed.
- All sections in "red" text below <u>must</u> be completed, including completing the "Unit/activity specific needs (required)" box.
- All the information in the "Response Steps (edit for your unit and location)" boxes may be edited to best suit your activity or unit.
- Text boxes will expand to fit more text.

Missing Person	Response Steps (edit for your unit and location)
Lead Guider: Mary White Alternate Guider: Jane Black	 Person is noticed missing Stop the activity and take attendance Ask for the last place and time anyone has seen the missing person
Health forms and rosters are located: in first aid kit Risk management strategies:	 Search All girls stay together. Susan Gray will stay with them. Jane will search meeting building and check with music group upstairs. Use clear, calm voices to call the person's name. Make it clear they are not in trouble.
system at the start of the activity	 First search spaces familiar to the missing person. List areas at your activity location: Washrooms Building across parking lot Search high risk locations: Roads, sidewalks Utility and electrical closets
	 Report (after all locations have been searched or 15 mins passed) For missing girl: Mary will call caregivers, emergency contact or pick-up person to let them know person is missing. Ask if person was picked up without informing Guider For missing adult: Mary will call emergency contact to let them know person is missing. Ask if they have heard from the person.
	 Call Emergency Services (after 20 mins since person was noticed missing) For missing girl: □ After caregiver has been notified, girl remains missing, and 20 minutes have passed since the start of the search, call emergency services to notify them of a missing girl. □ Use the girl's H.1 to tell emergency services if there are any medical or behavioural concerns



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	 Keep searching until Emergency Services arrive. Ask music group upstairs, or bystanders if they are aware of any suspicious activity, or if they noticed any unaccompanied youth around. For missing adult: Keep searching until Emergency Services arrive. Ask music group upstairs, or bystanders if they are aware of any suspicious activity, or if they noticed any unaccompanied youth around. Ask music group upstairs, or bystanders if they are aware of any suspicious activity, or if they noticed any unaccompanied youth around. Once the situation is stable enough, contact the Provincial Emergency Contact to inform them of the incident. At the discretion of the Responsible Guider (or Provincial Council delegate), the activity may continue if there are sufficient Supervisors to stav in ratio. In this case all caregivers must be informed of the incident.
	stay in ratio. In this case all caregivers must be informed of the incident at pick-up (of via email/phone if girl leaves meeting on their own).
	Mary will complete and submit an INS.01
Unit/activity specific needs (none	required)

Evacuation	Response Steps (edit for your unit and location)
Lead Guider: Mary White	In all situations, contact caregivers to pick-up girls if the activity cannot safely continue.
Alternate Guider: Jane Black Description of gathering location (muster point) at this activity: across parking lot at the church building People who may need extra support while evacuating: none Risk management strategies: U We will run a practice evacuation at the start of the activity, so all	 safely continue. <u>Structure Fire:</u> Girls will be instructed to move to gathering location (muster point) Mary will take attendance Jane will call 911 if they have not yet been notified of the fire <u>Gas leak:</u> Girls will be instructed to move to gathering location (muster point) Mary will take attendance Jane will call the fire department to report potential gas leak, and contact your building/facility contact to inform them Do not re-enter the building until given the all-clear from authorities
girls know where to meet. □	
Unit/activity specific needs (required)

In all evacuation situations, Olivia & Susan will remain with the girls. Mary will contact Home Contact to call parents. Jane will bring health forms and first aid kit. Mary will complete & submit INS.01.

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Unwanted Visitor	Response Steps (edit for your unit and location)
Lead Guider: Mary White	Human:
	□ If comfortable, Mary will approach person and ask them to leave
Alternate Guider: Jane	the area
Black	Once they have left, lock the door behind them and inform music group upstairs of the situation
The secure room at our	□ If the Guiders immediately do not feel comfortable, remove the
location is: washrooms	girls from the situation through the back exit door and go to the church building across the parking lot.
Likely animals to	
encounter at this location:	Animal:
dog	For animals that pose no threat, try to remove animal outdoors
C	□ Shut door and stay inside.
Risk management	,
strategies:	
Doors will be locked	
after girls have arrived	
Unit/activity specific needs (r	required)
none	

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Medical Emergency	Response Steps (edit for your unit and location)
First Aider(s): Jane Black,	First supervisor on the scene will take charge and send someone
Olivia Green	to bring First Aider Jane to the scene
	Olivia will call 911.
Guider responsible for	Susan will move the rest of the group away from the scene.
group management: Mary White	Mary will go to the entrance to direct EMS to the location of the incident.
	Olivia will secure the health form for the victim, and contacts
The first aid kit location:	caregiver, or other emergency contact.
our cupboard	Information on H1 will be communicated to the paramedic.
	Olivia will confirm with the paramedics which hospital the person
Known medical concerns	will be transported to.
to be aware of: on health	Olivia will contact the caregiver(s) to inform them of incident and
forms	provide the hospital name and location. If Jane accompanied the
	person to the hospital, Olivia will provide the cell phone number
Risk management	to the caregiver (with permission).
strategies:	□ Once the situation is stable enough, Mary will contact the
Health forms are	Provincial Emergency Contact to inform them of the incident and
reviewed, and	submit and INS.01.
caregivers are asked to	At the discretion of the Responsible Guider (or Provincial Council
update them regularly.	delegate), the activity may continue if there are sufficient
	Supervisors to stay in ratio. In this case all caregivers must be informed of the incident.
	mormed of the incident.
Unit/activity specific needs (r	equired)

Susan will keep girls occupied while other Guiders managed the situation

Girl not picked up	Response Steps (edit for your unit and location)
Lead Guider: Mary White	If a girl member has not been picked up 15 minutes after scheduled
	pick-up time:
Alternate Guider: Jane	Jane will contact primary caregiver. If no answer, leave a
Black	message with a return phone number.
	□ Continue through all phone numbers listed on the H.1, and all
	phone numbers listed on the roster.
Risk management	☐ If possible, also send text messages, and emails to all known
strategies:	contacts.
□ At drop-off confirm pick-	Ask the girl if they know of any other phone numbers and try
up time and location	those.
	□ If caregiver is reachable, but will be delayed, ask for permission
	from the guardian for the girl member to go home with another
	girl member.
	If no contact can be made, contact will be made with the DC for further
	instructions.

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Unit/activity specific needs (required) INS.01 to be completed by Mary

Communicable Illness	Response Steps (edit for your unit and location)
Lead Guider: Jane Black	If a girl begins to exhibit symptoms of a communicable illness: Caregivers will be immediately contacted to pick up.
Alternate Guider: Olivia Green	 Girl will be asked to keep their distance, wash their hands, and wait for pick-up.
 Risk management strategies: All members are reminded to stay home if unwell The first aid kit contains hand sanitizer and PPE. 	 If an adult begins to exhibit symptoms of a communicable illness: If possible have them leave immediately. If ratio cannot be maintained, and the Guider feels well enough to stay, they will keep distanced and masked (if possible) and begin to contact caregivers for pick-up. Guider will leave once ratio can be maintained.
Unit/activity specific needs (r INS.01 to be completed by J	

Behavioural Concerns	Response Steps (edit for your unit and location)
Lead Guider: Mary White	Mental Health:
Alternate Guider: Jane Black	Guider will speak with the girl and determine severity. If the girl is not in imminent danger, Guider will notify parents
	Behavioural:
Members with support strategies already in place: none	 Mary will consult other Supervisors to determine if the girl needs to be picked up, or can remain at the current activity with modifications or support Mary will inform caregivers, and work with them on a strategy for future activities If the code of conduct has been broken, Guider will seek further support from their AC/DC
Unit/activity specific needs (required)
Mary will complete INS.01	

Other:	Response Steps (edit for your unit and location)
Lead Guider:	
Alternate Guider:	
Risk management strategies:	

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Serious Incident Management

A **serious incident** is defined as an incident that may require urgent response or outside support and may or may not impact the ability of GGC to operate. There are two types of serious incidents 1) an **emergency** and 2) a **crisis**.

An **emergency** is a serious incident that falls within the scope of the organization's resources to respond to. It does not threaten GGC's ability to operate. **Emergencies** can involve any of the following:

- A situation which requires assistance from authorities (fire, police, ambulance, etc.)
- Participants who are emotionally and/or psychologically distressed
- Behaviour that severely impacts other people
- Serious illness or injury (threat to life of limb)

A **crisis** is an event that is, or has the potential to be, a turning point in the organization. A crisis may overwhelm the organization's available staff and resources and impact its ability to operate.

Examples of crisis may include:

- A fatality during a GGC activity or at a GGC-owned or operated site
- A multiple injury or illness incident during GGC activity or at GGC-owned or operated site
- Any incident which would have future negligence and/or criminal repercussions
- Any significant vehicle incident
- A missing girl or adult (who is not located after preliminary search as outlined in Safe Guide)
- An active shooter
- A natural disaster such as a flood, forest fire, earthquake, ice storm, etc.

Communications Plan Guidelines

A Communications Plan is the written set of instructions to follow for contacting emergency agencies, GGC authorities and parents/caregivers in the event of a serious incident and is incorporated into your Emergency and Crisis Response Plan (SG.4). The plan covers a number of functions that need to occur to smoothly manage serious incident communications.

Communication during an Emergency

For most emergency situations, the communications pattern in an emergency would look something like this:

- 1. The Responsible Guider or Substitute Group Leader contacts:
 - a. EMS and/or other local authorities, when necessary
 - b. Group members (to provide reassurance)
 - c. Home Contact Person (if applicable to your activity)
- 2. Home Contact Person (where applicable) or Responsible Guider makes initial contact with caregiver(s)/parent(s)/guardian(s) to provide status report and next steps.
- 3. Notify the Provincial Commissioner or Provincial Council Emergency Contact. Check your provincial office or website for the emergency contact number. Or ask your District Commissioner/ACL to help you reach them.

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- 4. Provide the Provincial Commissioner or Provincial Council Emergency Contact with details of the incident. Use the script with the Emergency and Crisis Response Plan (SG.4) as a guide. She will inform and follow up with the appropriate national contacts.
- 5. After dealing with immediate needs, Responsible Guider or Substitute Group Leader may contact caregiver(s)/parent(s)/guardian(s) personally to discuss further details, answer questions and problem solve where applicable.
- 6. Do not talk to the media.
- 7. Notify all participants that they must not use cell phones or send electronic messages to friends and family.
- 8. The appropriate person to contact the parent(s)/guardian(s) and others as necessary will depend on specific circumstances and will be determined at the national level. Any media inquiries received by GGC members must be referred immediately to the national office. An appropriate response to the media would be:

"I'm sorry, our policy is for all media inquiries to go through the national office. Please contact them and the appropriate person will respond to you as soon as they are available. The phone number is (416) 487-5281."